

TRYON

RED CROSS ANNUAL MEETING.

Wednesday, October 23rd, is the time for the regular annual meeting of the Polk County Red Cross Chapter. The meeting has not yet been called, but we suppose it will be within a very few days.

At this meeting reports of all officers for the past year will be presented, and an executive committee will be selected, which in turn will elect officers for the ensuing year.

This point last year caused considerable friction and it may arise again at the next meeting. There were a great many very bitterly opposed to this method of selecting the officers, and they thought they should be elected by the entire membership, thus making it a more democratic body.

—W. S. S.—

KILLING IN TRYON.

Frank Patterson was shot and killed by Eugene Norman, last Saturday, about 6 o'clock, p. m. As is usually the case in such affairs, whiskey had its part in the transaction.

Patterson and Terrell Green became involved over some business matter, when Patterson drew a knife; Green told him to put up the knife and he would fight him. Patterson and Norman then had a few words when Norman fired one shot with a 45-calibre U. S. army pattern revolver. The shot entered Patterson's breast, going entirely through the body. He walked a few steps and fell, dying almost instantly.

Norman was arrested and taken to Columbus jail, and Green was arrested on Sunday and taken to the same place.

Sheriff Robertson came down Sunday morning, but as there were eye witnesses to the affair, and Norman acknowledged that he committed the act Mr. Robertson deemed an inquest unnecessary.

—W. S. S.—

O, SAY CAN YOU SING

While it may be that some of us really do not know all the words to all the verses of "The Star Spangled Banner," we can all appreciate the following bit of verse that we have clipped from "News Notes," published by the Colorado Agricultural College. You will find that it expresses only too well our lack of attention in the past to things that have more recently become uppermost in our minds. Many—or most—of us, had not sung—or tried to sing—the good old song, since we used to sing it at opening exercises in the lower schools.

And now, when we go to public gatherings and "The Star Spangled Banner" is sung, how many of us start off bravely in our loudest tones, only to find that at the end of the first few lines we have come to the end of our knowledge of the subject? To be sure, when it comes to the last two lines of each stanza, in which the Star Spangled Banner still waves o'er the land of the free and the home of the brave, we come into our own, ponderously and melodiously.

But it's in these middle stretches, these rather thin and embarrassing spots, that we grasp at straws and gape foolishly as we attempt to follow the leader with words that we recognize but cannot voice:

"Oh, say can you sing from the start to the end,
 "What so proudly you stand for when the orchestra plays it.
 "When the whole congregation, in voices that blend,
 "Strike up the grand anthem, then torture and slay it?
 "How they hallo and shout, when they're first starting out,
 "But the dawn's early light finds them floundering about.
 "'Tis "The Star Spangled Banner" they're trying to sing.
 "But they don't know the words of the precious old thing."

—W. S. S.—

GERMANY'S TERMS REFUSED.

To the great relief as well as expectations of the vast majority of Americans President Wilson has rejected the so-called peace proposals of Germany.

He, in common with all other true Americans can not see how he can afford to sit at the peace table with Kaiser Wilhelm. That individual will yet learn that civilization is united in its demand for his extermination as well as all other individuals who were responsible for the bringing on of this horrible war. If he expects of this President Wilson's type of men of President Wilson's type to forgive or forget the terrible outrages committed against the defenseless women and children of Belgium and France it shows that he is either mentally unbalanced or else he has been woefully misled as to the kind of man Mr. Wilson is, or of what material the entire American nation is composed.

If Mr. Wilson should accept any peace terms with Germany short of the complete submission of that nation of red-handed murderers and outragers of women he would call down on himself the censure and hatred of the entire country. But do become alarmed. There is no danger of that.

Anything short of a complete military triumph for the allies is not to be thought of. For can only our boys who have given up their lives on the field of battle in defense of what the United States stands for in this fight be repaid.

When Germany's army is either captured or annihilated to such an extent as to be of no further danger, or until the war is carried into Germany and the citizenship of that country given a little of what poor France and Belgium have had so much of can we think of peace with them.

To grant them an armistice to be used as a respite against the sledgehammer blows of Foch, Haig and Pershing would be but little short of treason to those brave fellows. No, we must fight on until we gain a complete and final victory over the Hun and his allies, for

"If ye break the faith with us who die
 "We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
 "In Flanders fields."

Wallace Lankford who is in the U. S. Navy writes home that he has been promoted three times since entering the service, and is highly pleased. He has been on the other side. Something about these Polk County boys that brings them to the front when they get half a chance. Wallace was a quiet, studious fellow here, and what was best of all about him, you could depend upon his promises, qualities which are highly necessary and appreciated in the navy. Success to him is our wish.

The editor had occasion to call on the merchants the present week under the direction of the United States Food Administration, and compared prices at which they were selling groceries with those on the list sent by the Administration. To our gratification we found that in most cases the merchants were much lower in their charges than were merchants from other towns as given on the list. We take this method of giving praise, justice, rather to whom it belongs. You can rest assured that we have not profiteering merchant in Tryon.

—W. S. S.—

CARD OF THANKS.

We desire to express our thanks to many friends for their kindness and attention during the illness and death of our daughter and sister, Mrs. and Mrs. J. L. Jackson and family.

—W. S. S.—

OUR PRICES AND TERMS.

We are fully prepared to turn out commercial printing upon short notice and solicit the patronage of the public.

Owing to the increased price in supplies we are compelled to arrange our prices accordingly. To date there has been a steady increase in prices. All mercantile establishments are getting what is practically a cash basis. They now require all bills to be paid on or before the 10th of the month following date of purchase.

In future we will allow a discount of 20 per cent from amount of bill rendered, provided it is paid on or before the 10th of the month. If not paid by that time the prices shown on your statement will be NET.

BIG SUM SAVED TO COTTON FARMERS

Food Administrator Henry A. Page Reaches Important Agreement With Cottonseed Crushers—Farmers Urged to Pool Seed.

Raleigh.—The cottonseed producers of North Carolina will receive tens of thousands of dollars extra this year as a result of an agreement reached between State Food Administrator Henry A. Page and the North Carolina Cottonseed Crushers' Association, whereby the crushers are to pay the same prices to farmers as they pay to cottonseed dealers on lots of ten tons or more delivered at their mills within a period of five days.

The Crushers agreed to not only do this but to encourage the smaller farmers to pool their seed so as to secure the higher price, which otherwise would be lost. The difference between the carlot rate and wagon rate for seed is \$3.00 per ton which the farmer can save by the new agreement.

Mr. Page authorized and instructed the mills, where farmers haul seed from a point nearer to a railway shipping point than to the mill, to pay the farmer for hauling the amount they would have been compelled to pay as freight from the shipping point.

These agreements and orders will result not only in a saving of tens of thousands of dollars to the farmers, but will effect a tremendous saving in freight tonnage and bring about the supplying of all mills to a much greater extent from their immediate localities.

ZONES ESTABLISHED FOR NORTH CAROLINA

Cottonseed Prices Stabilized on High Basis, \$70 in Eastern Carolinina, \$72 in Western Section.

Raleigh.—State Food Administrator Henry A. Page has announced the price of cotton seed and established two zones for cotton seed in North Carolina.

The price of cottonseed has been fixed at a slightly higher average figure than the figure received for them by farmers last year. The price of oil has been stabilized at the same figure, thanks to the Food Administration's influence with the refiners and compound lard manufacturers through its control of export sales of their product. The maximum price of hulls will be \$20 per ton. The price of meal will be a little higher at the mill than it was last year unless the War Industries Board can be influenced to increase the price of linters from the present figure of \$4.67 per hundred. If the price of linters is increased, the price of meal will be decreased.

The price of cottonseed was fixed at the figure suggested by the producers of cottonseed as represented by the Commissioners of Agriculture and farmers' organizations throughout the South.

The price for seed will range from \$64 to \$72 per ton, depending upon oil and protein content.

The whole South is being divided in zones, according to the oil and protein content in the respective zones. North Carolina will be divided into two zones. The eastern zone showed last year an average oil content of 307 1-2 pounds per ton, and the price of seed in this zone will be \$70 per ton. The content of oil in the western zone was 315 pounds per ton, and the price of seed in this zone will be \$72 per ton. The eastern zone embraces all of that territory east of the eastern boundaries of Robeson, Hoke, Lee, Wake, Franklin and Warren counties, and the western zone the counties named and all counties west of them.

COTTON GINNERS UNDER CONTROL

Prices For Ginning Fixed—Thousands of Dollars Will Be Saved Through Order Forbidding Ginning of Wet or Green Cotton.

Raleigh.—As a matter of protection for North Carolina cotton producers, State Food Administrator Henry A. Page has announced that the rules and regulations of the Food Administration concerning ginning will be rigidly enforced in this State. In the first place, any gin that handles more than 20 tons of seed must be licensed before it can operate. Disregard of this law is punishable by a fine of \$5,000 or two years imprisonment or both. Rule 7 of the regulations governing giners prohibits wasteful practices and requires that every licensee controlling or operating a gin shall clean seed cotton and separate the seed from the lint in an efficient manner, and forbids the adding to or mixing with cotton seed any foreign matter which may or may not have been separated in the process of ginning.

State Food Administrator Henry A. Page has fixed the price of ginning at \$2.50 per bale for each bale of 500 pounds or less and 30 cents per hundred pounds of lint above 500 pounds. In addition to this price, the ginner is allowed to add the cost of bagging and ties plus 10 per cent of such cost. This price was fixed over the very strenuous protest of a large number of giners in North Carolina who, under a toll arrangement, would have gotten for this year's ginning \$10 to \$12 per bale.

GETS INTO ARMY AT LAST

Man Tries for Three Years to Join, and Leaves in 30 Minutes When Chance Comes.

Pasadena, Cal.—Louis Deschamps is a Frenchman and a patriot. Illness has kept Louis from the battle front for three and a half years, but he kept persevering and recently succeeded passing a physical examination. Then, just 30 minutes before 36 draft men were to leave Pasadena for American Lake, Deschamps appeared before draft officials of exemption board No. 2.

"I've passed my examination," he shouted. "What are my chances for action?"

"Your chances are fine," was the answer, "if you can get ready in thirty minutes."

Deschamps chartered a high-powered automobile, closed up his business affairs in record time and was the second of the drafted men to board the train.

TALLEST MAN IN MARINES

Former Mail Clerk, 6 Feet 5 1/2 Inches Tall, Enlists in Service at Baltimore.

Baltimore, Md.—Uncle Sam now has 6 feet 5 1/2 inches of real U. S. marine. He is Carroll William Doggett, twenty-five years old, a mail clerk of this city.

When the 77 1/2 inches of humanity strolled into the local recruiting station, the officers in charge had the shock of their young lives.

After some little difficulties, which included bumping his head on the electric light fixtures in the ceiling, the lengthy caller managed to get down into a chair.

Upon examination he was told he was 3 1/2 inches too tall and 26 pounds underweight. So Doggett got busy and after much work and worry arranged for a waiver from Washington. He is the tallest man in the marine corps.

Making Greek Cheese.

Madison, Wis.—Three factories in this state are now manufacturing Greek cheese. The factories are located at Milwaukee, Janesville and Shawano. The manufacturers are confident that the work has passed the experimental stage. They are making two varieties—Feta and Mynzethra.

—W. S. S.—

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There will be a wind-up war savings drive in this county during September.

Canvassers, acting under authority of the United States Government will call upon you. You must pledge to buy every single War Savings Stamp you can to help save your county—and your boys.

Any further information will be cheerfully given you by Mr. B. L. Ballenger, County Chairman of Polk County War Savings Association.

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