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RED CROSS AGAIN IN WAR WORK

All preparations had been made for the annual Roll Call of the American Red Cross, which must necessarily be completed long in advance of the opening of the campaign, because the chapters reach nearly around the world; the slogan "Every American everywhere a member of the Red Cross" has been unanimously approved and the work of Roll Call organization began with the purpose of gaining membership of 5,000,000 for 1923.

Then, as suddenly as it was unexpected, came the call from Smyrna for half a million innocent sufferers driven to the waters edge by the victorious Turkish troops. Thus came war into the midst of the American Red Cross engagements of peace, and with an insistence that could not be denied.

The call found the Red Cross prepared for service and while the chapter at Constantinople plunged into the breach, National Headquarters at Washington took immediate steps to meet the terrifying situation growing out of the crisis. Within a short time American Red Cross relief was sent to Athens; its nurses in Europe were working in the refugee camps, shiploads of food, clothing and medical supplies were started for Greek ports and over three quarters of a million dollars in Red Cross funds had been committed for this great relief work.

The response of the American Red Cross in this war-time disaster recalls the happy phrase uttered by Cardinal Mercier of Belgium when World War relief was at its height in his own country and in France. That brave figure in the great conflict had said of the American Red Cross: Such a national inspiration should be captured and held for the benefit of all mankind.

The events of the last few weeks happily prove that the inspiration has been captured. And the work for mankind in far off Greece serves to emphasize why the American Red Cross must be prepared to cope with any disaster, no matter how great in extent or how sudden, and must be ready to do the service quickly and effectually.

The situation which finds the equipment and resources of the American Red Cross again engaged in relieving the sufferings attendant upon war with the efficiency and generosity that in the world war was a marvel to all the nations, lays a greater obligation also upon Americans everywhere during the Roll Call to endorse services to all mankind with their signatures and their membership fees. The Roll Call is a call to "Say it with names and with dollars"—and to say it, as in the world war times, with patriotic fervor for your Red Cross.

For as "Peace hath its victories no less renowned than war," so must the American Red Cross have its resources from the strength of its membership to go ever onward in the work committed to the organization by the American people.

TRAINING SCHOOL NEWS

(From last week)

A game of basket ball on last Thursday afternoon between Mountain City Tennessee and the school team resulted in a victory for the Tennessee team.

On last Thursday evening Miss Ruth Coffey and Miss Mary Jarrell and Messrs Arthur Moore and J. M. Downum were invited guests at the elegant country home of Miss Carrie Horton, "Lynwood" and it is enough to say that the evening meal was excellent indeed and much enjoyed by all present.

Examinations come this week, to show that one-third of the school is past. The number thus far enrolled is 245.

The Red Cross members of the Watauga Chapter met at the Court House on Monday afternoon and elected officers for the next year and planned for the membership drive to be pushed from Nov. 11th to Thanksgiving, and it is hoped that each one will again enroll as the need at this time is very great indeed. The following officers were elected for next year: Chairman, A. J. Greene, Vice Chairman, Mrs. F. A. Linney, Secy. Prof. J. M. Downum, Treasurer, W. D. Farthing.

Prof. A. J. Greene was elected manager for the Red Cross Drive.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON CLUB WITH MRS. DR. JONES

The Friday Afternoon Club met with Mrs. Dr. Jones November 2. All members were present except two which is an unusually large attendance.

The hostess entertained in a very charming manner, and a delicious salad course was served before the merry throng disbanded.

GREATER NORTH CAROLINA

Promotion of Mountain Railroad... To the Editor of the Observer:

The life and greatness of a state is not unlike that of a man. It is the little things in life which when taken collectively, make the big or great man. The same holds true with our state. Our institutions of learning, our facilities for the care of the unfortunate and afflicted, our farming industries, our manufacturing industries, our commerce, our good roads, our water power, our transportation facilities, when taken collectively make a great and wonderful state.

Right here there are two things to be born in mind, one is that the progress of a state like all other things, does not stand still. It either goes forward or it retrogrades. The other is that this present generation is responsible for the future of our state, or greater North Carolina. We have made some wonderful strides in the past 20 years. While making such progress in one way we have lost sight of other things that are of equal importance.

Our educational and farming interests have developed to the point where we needed better roads as our mode of travel has been revolutionized in the past 20 years. Our people were shown the necessity of better roads. Today we have outlined and are building the best system of roads in the United States, developed to the point where they must have increased transportation facilities so as to cheap the freight on their imports as well as their exports.

For example, within a radius of 50 to 75 miles of Charlotte there are several hundred textile mills, furniture factories and other industries, all of which use coal more or less. At Charlotte today you are paying approximately \$14.00 a ton for soft coal, proportionately the same all over this radius of 50 or 75 miles. At Jefferson, Ashe County, N. C. the same coal is selling today at \$6 a ton.

A railroad built over the mountains by way of Blowing Rock to Boone, there connecting with the Norfolk & Western which brings coal into Jefferson, would place Jefferson and Charlotte less than 150 miles apart which at present by railroad they are about 500 miles apart. You, at a glance, can see what a saving there would be on coal to this section of the state. This line would penetrate the coal fields of coal alone would pay all additional tax of such a development and in a very few years would pay the principal, and to further fortify ourselves and our industries there should be a railroad built from Galax, Va. by way of Dobson, N. C., Elkin, N. C., Statesville, N. C. to a point near Denver, Lincoln county, N. C., there to intersect the road from Jefferson, Boone and Blowing Rock. At Galax, Va. you connect with the Norfolk & Western and are only 35 miles from Radford, Va., which is the gateway and southern outlet for the coal fields of Virginia and West Virginia. This line would bring Radford, Va. far less than 200 miles from Charlotte, a direct line to Cincinnati and Chicago.

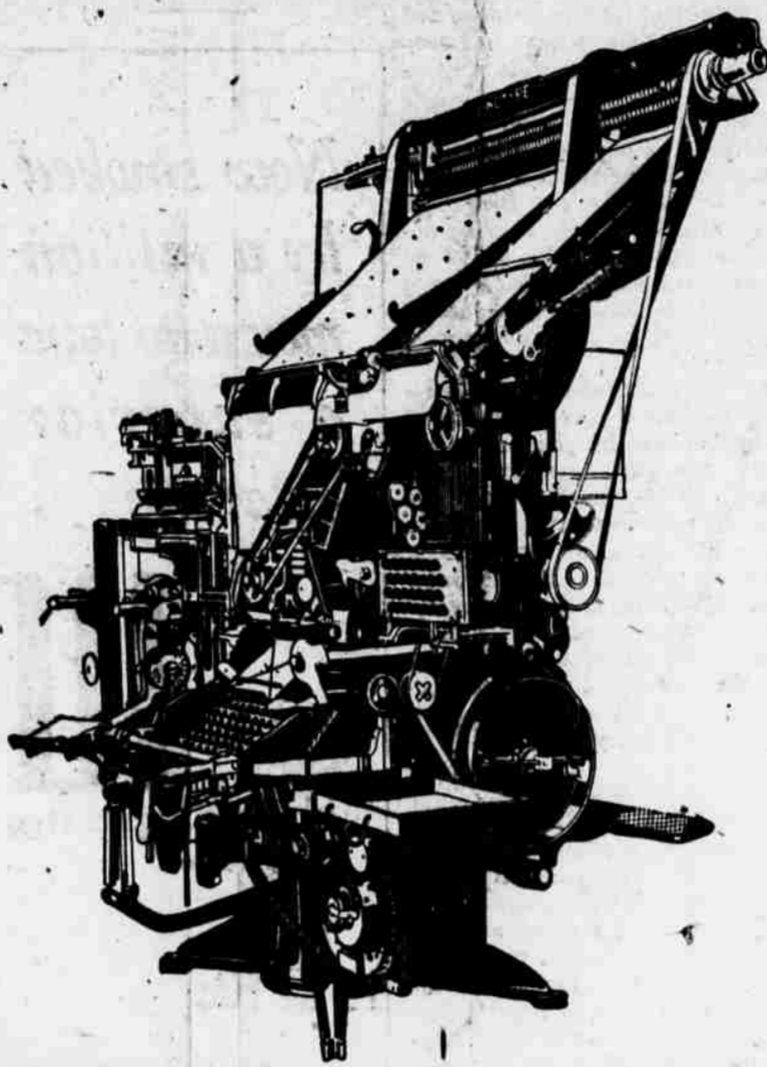
The two above spoken lines of railroad would cost but little to build, would open the coal fields of Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia to North Carolina by far the shortest route of any railroad. The cost of constructing these lines would be a mere pittance when compared to the advantage to be derived therefrom. They bring the whole Norfolk & Western railroad system in close and direct touch with this section. They bring the Louisville & Nashville railroad system in close touch also, both of which would be touch with greater North Carolina.

Public improvements are like private business, we will have to admit there is always a certain amount of selfishness. I think I have shown every citizen and every industry in this section where they will be individually benefited by these improvements.

This line of constructive work will not only help our present manufacturing industries, but it will broaden the fields of industry and induce hundreds of others to come into our territory. Likewise, it will help the farming industry of this section. When our people once realize these facts they will then see that this piece of constructive work is done, for it is a well known fact that we cannot have developments in transportation without developments in transportation. A line which will shorten the hauling of coal into this territory means much to us from a financial and progressive point of view.

W. T. SHIPP
Newton, November 8.

WANTED to BUY your Beef Hides. Will pay highest market prices. Hoffman & Son, Lenoir N. C. 10-19-22



DEMOCRAT BUYS NEW LINOTYPE 10 REPUBLICAN SENATE MAJORITY

Mergenthaler's "Brain Child" Adds Finishing Touch to New Print Shop

With a good deal of satisfaction the editor of The Watauga Democrat announces the installation of a new Model 14 Linotype. This mechanical marvel is specially equipped with a complement of type faces which enables us to serve efficiently the large number of persons who look to our publication for enlightenment and entertainment and who patronize our job printing department.

The rapidly increasing circulation of The Watauga Democrat together with our desire to place at the command of our advertisers and others the highest grade of typography, induced us to add to our mechanical equipment a multiple-magazine Linotype for the quick and accurate and pleasing presentation of the news of the day, and the production of superior job work.

Our new Linotype enables us to set by machine virtually all forms of composition that previously necessitated tedious work by hand. Our plant is now capable of turning out composition consisting of correct type faces in many different sizes, and the change from one size to another is made by a "twist of the wrist." In the flicker of an eyelash the versatile operator—whose hand is made famous by the Mergenthaler Linotype Company as "the hand that keeps the world informed"—on the versatile machine sets type of the following faces and sizes:

"Democrat Ads Pay"
"Democrat Ads Pay"
"Democrat Ads Pay"
"Democrat Ads Pay"
"DEMOCRAT ADS"

This installation is a testimonial to the prosperity of Boone and vicinity. And that the good people of the community are duly appreciative of our efforts to serve them in all departments of the printing business is manifested by the many compliments received from individual patrons since the arrival of our new machine.

The accompanying illustration will give our readers some idea of the marvelous mechanism of the Linotype, a composing machine on which are assembled matrices (or little brass molds) and lines of type cast—lines such as you are now reading. The particular model of machine we have just installed carries at one time four sets of matrices—controlled from a standard keyboard of ninety keys and an auxiliary keyboard of twenty-eight—and gives the operator instant command of 568 different characters.

Besides enabling the operator to set various faces and sizes of type, our new Linotype makes it possible for him to produce all the rules and dashes and borders used in various advertisements in each issue of our publication. When employed in the composing of advertisements, newspaper headings, book letters, catalogues, and various other kinds of printed matter, our new model 14 enables one operator to set in the same time more type than ordinarily could be produced by five or six men or women doing the work by hand—and the composition is incom-

parably better. While for a long time we have received the patronage of a host of advertisers, subscribers, and printing buyers in general, we look forward to the handling of an even greater volume of business now that we are so well qualified to render the sort of service most to be desired.

It has been our aim to present the news of the day without fear or favor, and to reflect faithfully the ideals and ambitions of our constituents; and we shall continue to devote our talents and resources to the full filling of this aim. And of great help to us in the carrying out of our purpose will be our new Model 14 Linotype.

MRS. JAMES RIVERS ENTERS SEWING CLUB

Monday afternoon Mrs. James C. Rivers was hostess to the members of the Young Ladies Sewing Club at the attractive home of her sister Mrs. John Sproule.

The time was spent in sewing till late in the afternoon the hostess served her guests delicious salad course which was followed by a dessert.

The members present were: Misses Nellie Coffey, Eula Hodges, Margaret Linney, Mae Greene, Virginia and Mary Council, Ruth Benfield, Bernice Cook, Nita Winkler and Mrs. Paul Goodwin.

VIRGINIAN LEAVES \$140,000 TO CAROLINA INSTITUTIONS

Robert K. Smith died in Virginia recently and left \$50,000 each to the University of North Carolina and Davidson College and \$10,000 each to Lee-McRae School, Valle Crucis school, Glade Valley School and Crossnore school, or a total of \$140,000 to these institutions. Mr. Smith was born in North Carolina but like many others, in early business life yielded to the beckoning of opportunity in other states and moved away. He succeeded in liberal measure and now comes his thought and money to enrich his native state and its institutions.—Statesville Landmark.

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THE PRESIDENTS PROCLAMATION

President Harding Issues Thanksgiving Proclamation at The White House.

Declaring that the state of the nation "presents very much to justify a nation wide and more sincere testimony of gratitude for the bounty which has been bestowed upon us," President Harding in the annual calls upon the American people to observe Thursday November 30 "as a day of thanksgiving, supplication and devotion."

After calling attention to the custom of a day of Thanksgiving the President's proclamation says:

"The year which now approaches its end has been marked in the experience of our nation, by a complexity of trials and triumphs, of difficulties and of achievements, which we must regard as our inevitable portion in such an epoch as this through which all mankind is moving. As we survey the experience of the passing 12 months we shall find that our estate presents very much to justify a nation-wide and most sincere testimony of gratitude for the bounty which has been bestowed upon us. Though we have lived in the shadow of the hard consequences of great conflict, our country has been at peace and has been able to contribute toward the maintenance and perpetuation of peace in the world. We have seen the race of mankind make gratifying progress on the way to permanent peace toward order and restored confidence in its high destiny.

"For the divine guidance which has enabled us in growing fraternity with other peoples to attain so much of progress for the bounteous yield which has come to us from the resources of our soil and our industry, we owe our tribute of gratitude and with it our acknowledgement of the duty and the obligation to our people and to the unfortunate the suffering and distracted of other lands. Let us in all humility acknowledge how great is our debt to the Providence which has generously dealt with us, and give devout assurance of unselfish purpose to play a helpful and ennobling part in human advancement. It is much to be desired that in rendering homage for the blessings which have come to us, we should earnestly testify our continued and increasing aim to make our own great fortunes a means of helping and serving, as best we can, the cause of all humanity.

"Now therefore, I, Warren G. Harding, President of the United States of America, do designate Thursday the thirtieth day of November, as a day of Thanksgiving supplication and devotion. I recommend that the people gather at their family altars and in their houses of worship to render thanks to God for the bounties they have enjoyed and to petition that these may be continued in the year before us."

TRAINING SCHOOL ITEMS

Rev. J. A. Downs assisted by Mr. Brawner, baritone, has been holding a very successful meeting at the Episcopal Church during the past week. During this week these gentlemen conducted chapel exercises at the Appalachian Training School and the talks and songs were greatly enjoyed by the students.

The District stewards for the N. Wilkesboro District of the Methodist Church met in Boone last Friday. The first Quarterly Conference for the Boone charge met Friday night and the Presiding Elder, J. W. Williams, preached Sunday night.

The School examinations closed Friday and Saturday was named as a holiday thereby giving many of the teachers and students a welcome chance to spend the week end at their homes or with friends.

In a hotly contested basket ball game Friday night between Crossnore School and the Training School the Training School was defeated the score being 28 to 34. This is among the first of the winter series of games which our students will play with local and other teams.

A great many people from Boone and vicinity attended the celebration at North Wilkesboro on November 11th. Great preparations had been made for this event, and since the weather and roads were so fine a large crowd was expected and an exceptionally enjoyable day anticipated.

MISS HORTON HOSTESS AT DINNER PARTY

Miss Carrie Horton was hostess to a number of friends at a dinner party at her country home Sunday of last week. Among those present were: Misses Ruth and Nellie Coffey, Messrs G. K. Moore, Baxter Linney and Dean Blanton.

WATAUGA MAN'S NEW INVENTION

Mr. Rufus Maltba, formerly of this Place Perfects Electric Dishwashing Machine.

Wisconsin State Journal Dishwashing drudgery the plague of housewives together with unsanitary dishrags and the unpleasant feature of washing dishes or clothes by hand can now be eliminated thanks to the inventions of R. L. Maltba and H. W. McKenzie of Black Earth.

The inventors have been working together with Madisonians for month perfecting the details of patents on a family dishwashing machine, said to be more practical and economical than any similar device on the market. Announcements of the invention were made here Saturday.

Although the Madison Gas and Electric Company have been approached to handle many dishwashing machines in this territory, they have selected the machine of the local men in preference to others. The company will have charge of sales in the city. One of the new machines is now on display at the gas company show rooms.

O. A. Meister, Black Earth mechanic, has been carrying on the mechanical work involved in the manufacture of the machine. Mr. Meister is in charge of the factory established at Black Earth. The present capacity of the factory is 10 machines per day. The output can be increased easily to meet the demand.

Main offices for the new company have been established in Madison from which sales work will be directed. D. W. Heiney of Black Earth and A. T. Rose of Madison are others interested in the enterprise.

While the Madison Gas and Electric Company will handle the sales work in Madison, the officials also expect in addition to market the product through their own salesmen. Since the local invention was made known, applications for sales territory have been made from all sections of the state and from cities as far distant as the west coast.

"We have 40 machines now practically completed," Mr. Rose declared in discussing the operations of the Black Earth factory. "Shortly we will be in a position to take care of any demand."

The kitchen convenience has been called the "Family Electric Dishwasher" by its sponsors who have formed the Family Dishwasher Company to manufacture and market the machine.

"Other companies have been manufacturing dishwashing machines for hotel use many years," Mr. Maltba the inventor declared Saturday. "Our machine, is aimed however to take care of the demand of average families for an electric dishwashing machine which will wash dishes quickly, conveniently, and at a small cost." The Family Electric Dishwasher is built table high and occupies a floor space 18 by 24 inches. It is attractively finished in white enamel.

One of the big advantages of the local machine over other machines in the market, according to the inventor, is that only a teakettle of water and about a teaspoon of soap powder or flakes are needed for ordinary use. The machine will wash the delicate and fragile glassware as well as kitchen utensils without damage. Mr. Maltba declared.

The principle of the machine is based on a specially designed series of paddles, arranged in a special trough. Water is thrown by the paddles against the dishes which are placed in racks in the upper part of the machine.

A small electric motor, supplying the motive power, is hidden from view.

THE STATES RESPECT FOR WOMEN

The general impression was that a woman entering the political arena would subject herself to the promiscuous abuse and rough handling traditionally accorded candidates for public office. But in the elections of 1920 and 1922 in North Carolina, it was developed that the chivalry of the people yet prevails and that in the case of women there is a disposition to observe the proprieties. It is a source of gratification that during the course of her campaign when Mrs. Lindsay Patterson took the stump "like a man" she was conscious of no indignity, nor was she made victim of so much as an unpleasant remark. The fact has been quite surely demonstrated that woman can enter politics in North Carolina and maintain her self respect. In short, woman on the stump in this state holds the same place in public mind as woman in the home. Woman in politics in North Carolina finds her surroundings measurably agreeable, if not altogether comfortable.—Charlotte Observer.