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## C. K. COOKE MADE COUNTY AUDITOR

### REPORTS FROM OFFICERS RECEIVED

**Orders Bridge Built in Hayesville—** Accepts Resignation of R. W. Hudson—Receives Bond of Cotton Weigher for Franklinton—Routine Business.

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday with all members present. After approving the minutes of the past meeting business was disposed of as follows:

Ordered that the Bond of A. L. Allen, cotton weigher for Franklinton township be renewed and recorded.

Ordered that D. C. Tharrington be relieved of paying tax on T. J. Hight estate.

Upon motion it was ordered that the Board appoint an all time auditor for Franklin county.

Upon order the Board decided to build a bridge over Buffalo Creek in Hayesville township.

Upon motion of J. R. Earle the Board proceeded to elect an auditor for the ensuing year. C. K. Cooke was placed in nomination and was elected unanimously.

It was ordered that the old Treasurer's office be vacated and that C. K. Cooke take that for his office. Also C. H. Stanton, Farm Demonstration Agent, occupy the office with Mr. Cooke.

Miss Pauline Smith was given the use of one of the rooms in the second story of the Court House.

The report of Dr. J. E. Malone, County Health Officer was received and filed.

Ordered that J. J. Holden be instructed to tell Mr. Harris to leave the County Home.

Report of J. J. Holden, Superintendent of the County Home, was received and filed. He reports 14 white and 8 colored inmates.

The resignation of R. W. Hudson, Constable for Louisburg township was read and accepted.

Upon motion the election of a constable for Louisburg township was deferred till the first Monday in March.

The resolution in regard to the Sanby Creek Road Bonds was passed all the Board voting ye.

Henry Perry was placed on outside pauper list at \$2.00 per month.

The Board instructed J. J. Holden to take Linda Evans, a colored woman from the jail to the county home.

After allowing a number of accounts the Board adjourned to its next regular meeting.

## WOMEN ARE REQUESTED TO CEASE "ADOPTING" PERISHING MEN

With the American Army in France December 25.—The American expeditionary force wishes to discourage the budding practice of American women in "adopting" individual soldiers in France for the period of the war. The practice already threatens to choke the congested mail service and result in delay in the transmission of important matter. Moreover the censorship regulations forbid the men to correspond with strangers, and, as this rule is being enforced rigidly, it is desired that the people at home refrain from putting men here in an embarrassing position, as they feel under obligation to answer such communications.

An example of the interest certain women at home are taking in "adoption" is an advertisement which has reached headquarters showing the picture of a pretty girl and urging soldiers without godmothers to write to a girl's address.

## MARGARET ITEMS

The farmers are still sitting by the fire.

Master Sam Alford of near Seven Paths, made a short call to Margaret last Sunday afternoon.

Miss Mary Bunn spent last Friday night at Mrs. T. M. Pearce's.

Little Ruby Pearce spent Sunday with Miss Mary Bunn.

Mr. Jim Perry, of Mapleville, spent a while with his father, Mr. Sam Perry Sunday.

BIO WAR

## LOUISBURG'S RED CROSS

The Red Cross Chapter at Louisburg feels a particular pride in the work it has done, tho' it has a great hope of larger and better things in the future.

The Red Cross Auxiliary which was organized in June 1917 with 40 members has grown into an efficient active Chapter of several hundred members. It became a Chapter in November with Mrs. W. E. White, Chairman, Mrs. K. K. Allen, Vice-Chairman, Mrs. G. A. Cralle, Treasurer, Mrs. R. F. Yarborough, Secretary, Mrs. M. C. Pleasants, Chairman of the Knitting and Mr. W. H. Ruffin, Chairman of the Executive Committee, Mrs. J. E. Malone, Chairman of Ways and Means, Mrs. R. H. Davis, Chairman of Instruction, Mrs. T. W. Watson, Chairman of Supplies, Mrs. L. Scoggin, Chairman of Instruction for children.

Through the summer months the Red Cross Auxiliary held its regular Wednesday at the Graded School Building.

With the opening of school another place for meeting had to be sought and Mr. J. P. Winston kindly loaned to the Chapter his building on Middle street, where the women worked faithfully and untiringly in all day sessions until the first of January. Since then the Chapter has held its regular all-day Wednesday meeting in the Company D-Armory, a large and sunny room, amply sufficient to accommodate many workers.

Financing the Red Cross has been one of the biggest problems. Since its origin many and various entertainments have been given, the farmers have generously contributed gifts of tobacco the merchants and druggists have given it the benefit of wholesale prices on goods.

Since its organization the Chapter has shipped to Red Cross headquarters, 108 gauze bandages, 628 gauze compresses, 156 gauze drains, 404 gauze laboratory pads, 72 gauze rolls, flannel bandages, 320 four tailed bandages, 150 crinoline bandages, 162 fannel bandages 320 four tailed bandages, 186 muslin bandages, 111 T. bandages, 349 triangle bandages, 16 splint pillows, 270 oakum pads, 200 many tailed bandages.

Several weeks before Christmas the regulation Red Cross Christmas box for soldiers was shipped under the auspices of the Red Cross Chapter 134 comfort bags were provided for Company D. oys and drafted men from the county. The comfort bags, sixty in all, are ready for the colored soldiers when called.

Since the knitting began in October—372 knitted garments have been forwarded to Atlanta, viz: 102 sweaters, 80 mufflers, 71 pairs of wristlets, 94 pairs of socks, 24 cloth and 1 helmet.

Auxiliaries are organizing at Mapleville and Cedar Rock which will report later.

Under the Auspices of the Red Cross the war fund collected for Louisburg amounted to one thousand and fifty one dollars and thirty nine cents.

It took an active part in the sale of Liberty Loan Bonds. Up to the present date total expenditure for wool and supplies has amounted to \$922.94, making a total of \$2,074.33, which has passed through the hands of the Chapter.

It takes determination and untiring energy to accomplish things like these.

When enlisted in a worthy cause Louisburg's splendid womanhood is equal to it.

## AMERICAN TROOP SHIP SUNK

The American troop ship Tusclania was torpedoed and sunk off the northern coast of Ireland Wednesday.

The ship carried 2,179 officers and men and 1,912 have been reported saved. The soldiers on board the ship were small detachments from almost every section of the country. No details of the sinking had been received by the war department up to yesterday morning.

## A CALL FOR A WAR SAVINGS INSTITUTE

The one supreme task that confronts this Nation is the Winning of the War. To this end the Government is calling on the people of North Carolina to invest forty-eight million dollars in Thrift Stamps and War Savings Certificates. To the timid this task is a terror—to the heroic it is a challenge.

If the people of North Carolina respond to this call it will mean two things:

First, that we have done, not our bit, but our best. Second, the habits of thrift necessary to save forty-eight million dollars and the working capital thereby created will insure the financial independence of our people.

To accomplish this gigantic task plans systematic and comprehensive must be laid. To this end and at the request of Col. F. H. Fries, State Director of the National War Savings Committee, I hereby call a War Savings Institute to be held in the City of Raleigh on the 12th and 13th days of February, 1918. Fringed experts will conduct the Institute, and on Tuesday night, the 12th, speakers of international reputation will address the public.

All people interested in the work are cordially invited, but I nominate and appoint the following delegates.

1. Every county superintendent of public instruction.
2. Every superintendent of town and city schools
3. Every farm demonstration agent.
4. Every home demonstration agent.
5. One physician from each county in the State to be named by the State Board of Health.
6. Every county chairman of a political party in the State.

I earnestly urge the boards of county commissioners to pay the actual expenses of the Farm and Home Demonstration Agents and the physician. I earnestly urge the county and city boards of education to pay the actual expenses of their representatives. It would be impossible for these boards to spend money that will yield larger returns to the public.

Let it be borne in mind that this meeting is not to be a celebration, but, as its name implies, it is to be a school, and all who attend will be thoroughly taught just what they are expected to do and just how to do it.

T. W. BICKETT, Governor.

This the 31st day of January, 1918.

## HAVE YOU A SUFFICIENT QUANTITY OF PLANTING SEEDS?

Every indication is that there is a shortage of planting seeds of all kinds. The extreme high prices have caused many to forget the future. They overlook the fact that this year's crop depends in a large measure on last year's seed selection. So then any seed is a planting seed; they forget that seeds contain histories of past generations and promises of future generations.

And, because of the conditions of prices and the shortage of supplies, it is more important than ever that we not consider any seed a planting seed. The man who plants good seed of known qualities has a great deal more assurance of a successful crop than he that plants any seed. Also, it is a patriotic duty to everything possible to assure success of this year's crops.

Now is the time to attend to this matter of seeds. If you did not select your own seed, it is time you had a supply bought. The prices are all ways higher about planting time and sometimes there are delays in transportation that are costly.

And, if you are looking for seed don't forget your garden. Get catalogs from reliable houses and make early selections. And, select a full line. Make your plants for a year-round garden. Just as soon as you possibly can is the time to start. Peas, onions and Irish potatoes need to be planted as soon as the ground will permit.

What about a few more legumes this year? Do you grow enough peas for your hay and seed. Soy beans are good for man and beast and easily grown. Velvet beans are wonderful soil improvers. Seed may be a little high, but if you had them to sell you would not object.

The County Agent will be glad to assist anyone in search of seeds of any kind.

C. H. STANTON County Agent.

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Person and little baby, visited the family of Dr. Burt the past week after returning from Raleigh, where Mrs. Person went for an operation, before returning to the near Cynth.

## THE YOUNG WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Young Woman's Missionary Society met on Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Osmond Yarboro, in a business meeting.

Devotional Exercises, 24th Chapter. Luke . . . . Mrs. N. H. D. Wilson Prayer . . . . Mrs. N. H. D. Wilson Song, "Oh, Eyes That Are Weary," Mrs. A. R. Edwards.

A New Year's Greeting to the Young People . . . . Miss Julia Barrow Gifts to the Missions in War Times, Mrs. E. L. Best.

Song, "Let Us Have Peace" Miss Annie Belle King.

Minutes . . . . Recording Secretary Constitution and By-Laws. Mrs. M. C. Pleasants.

Distribution of Pledge Cards. Treasurer.

A Japanese Story Miss Alleen Webb After the program delicious refreshments were served.

Those present were: Mesdames Osmond Yarboro, Misses Julia Barrow, Minnie Brickell, Alleen Webb, Kathleen Egerton, Lillian High Lydia Ince, Sue Alston, Louise, Thomas.

We were very glad indeed to have with us as a visitor, Mrs. N. H. D. Wilson, and as a new member, Miss Annie Belle King.

At an early hour the Society adjourned to meet on Tuesday evening, February 12th, at the home of Miss Minnie Brickell, on Middle Street at 7:00 o'clock. Please everyone bear in mind the change of time, which has been changed to an earlier hour.

"Recording Secretary."

## JOSEPH J. DAVIS CHAPTER

The Joseph J. Davis Chapter met on Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. D. C. High, with Mrs. High as her daughter, Miss Lillian High.

In the absence of the Chaplain the meeting was opened by Mrs. D. T. Smithwick.

Papers were read by the following members, Mesdames S. J. Parham, J. E. Malone, J. W. Mann.

Mrs. Al Rufus Edwards sweetly sang "He Was a Prince." "The Star Spangled Banner" was sung in chorus, after which refreshments were served, which were tomato, sandwiches, coffee and a frozen Fruit Salad. Everything was tastily carried out in the Valentine effect.

## NOTICE—REGISTRATION OF GERMAN ALIENS

In pursuance of authority of the Proclamation of the President of the United States, dated November 16, 1917 notice is hereby given that:

1. All natives, citizens, denizens or subjects of the German Empire or of the German Imperial Government, being males of the age of 14 years and upward, who are within the United States and not actually naturalized as American citizens, are required to register as alien enemies.

2. This registration shall extend and apply to all land and water, continental or insular, in any way within the jurisdiction of the United States.

3. An alien enemy required to register who fails to complete his registration within the time fixed therefor or who violates or attempts to violate or of whom there is reasonable ground to believe that he is about to violate any regulations promulgated by the President of the United States or these regulations, in addition to all other penalties prescribed by law, is liable to restraint, imprisonment, and detention for the duration of the war, or to give security, or remove and depart from the U. S. in the manner prescribed by Sections 4067, 4069, and 4070 of the United States Revised Statutes, and to all other penalties prescribed in the several Proclamations of the President of the United States and in the regulations duly promulgated by or under the authority of the President.

4. An alien enemy required to register who shall after the date fixed for the issuance to him of a registration card be found within the limits of the United States, its Territories or possessions, without having his registration card on his person, is liable to the aforesaid penalties.

### Time for Registration

The Attorney General of the United States has fixed the time for registration of German Alien Enemies as the 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 days of February, 1918, inclusive, from 6 a. m. to 8 p. m. on each of the said days. All German aliens are required, under heavy penalties, to present themselves for registration to the registrars in their localities, and to register themselves in accordance with the requirements of law.

### Places of Registration

1. In cities of 5,000 or more inhabitants registration will be made before the chief of police or such as he may have designated as Assistant Registrars.

2. In non-urban areas or in suburban districts not within the jurisdiction of the Chief of Police of a city of 5,000 or more inhabitants, registration must be made before the local postmaster.

### Method of Registration

1. Registration shall be made by affidavit of the alien enemy required to register, to be executed in triplicate, accompanied by four unmounted photographs of the registrant not larger than 3 X 3 inches in size, on thin paper with a light background. Each photograph must be signed by the applicant across the face thereof so as not to obscure the features, if the applicant is able to write, which signature must be made in the presence of the registrar. Each alien enemy required to register shall be required to register his finger prints.

2. A registration card will be issued by the Registrar and delivered to the registrant.

Information and instructions to registrants will be given by the chiefs of police or postmasters upon application.

Registrants are required again to present themselves before the registration officer after ten but before 15 days from the last day fixed for registration to obtain a registration card upon which he must sign his name or make his mark, and place his left thumb print in the presence of the registration officer.

BART M. GATLING, Chief Registrar in Non-Urban Areas for Eastern District of North Carolina.

Those present for the evening were: Mesdames A. R. Edwards, J. A. Turner, C. K. Cooke, Georgia Boddie, D. T. Smithwick, E. L. Best, S. J. Parham, J. E. Malone, J. L. Palmer, J. W. Mann, K. P. Hill, D. C. High, G. R. McGrady, and Misses Lois Jackson and Lillian High.

## WAR NEWS SUMMARY

From the meagre accounts of the economic situation in Germany reaching neutral countries—and they are meagre to a degree—the general strike that prevailed throughout the empire last week has virtually ended. Apparently the hard hand of the military authorities had much to do with the breaking up of the movement on the part of the workers by the government at the present moment to aid in the prosecution of the war, for even their leaders are reported to have advised the men to return to their jobs.

The proclamation of martial law in Berlin and throughout Brandenburg by the military commander evidently had its full effect for, with the threat of summary court martial and execution staring them in the face the strikers carried out no disorders in Berlin Saturday like those earlier in the week.

Industrial quietude now seems to pervade the entire country except at Jena, capital of the Duchy of Saxe-Weimar where new trouble has arisen. It is not improbable that the strike here has been engendered by sympathetic feelings on the part of the numerous students in this educational centre.

That under the surface the political waters in Germany and Austria-Hungary are disturbed is indicated by the announcement that the German and Austria-Hungarian Foreign Ministers and General Von Ludendorff, chief of the German war lords, next to Von Hindenburg, are to meet in close conference in an endeavor to bring about an amelioration of the tense economic and political questions affecting Germany and the dual monarchy and doubtless lay plans to combat the peace views and desires of large parts of the population.

Apparently with the Germans it was a case of the bitter having been bit in their attack on the American sector in Lorraine Saturday. Although the attack was a sudden one and the Germans placed a heavy barrage along the American line of several kilometers, the Americans responded with avidity and with their 75's tore up the German front trenches, blew up several of their dugouts and cut their barbed wire entanglements, causing damage which it will require several days to repair. Little damage was done the American positions. Seemingly the Americans outgamed the enemy on his initial point of assault and later even extended their zone of bombardment over a wide region. On the other battle fronts the operations of the infantry continue of a minor character, although the artillery duels are intense on certain sectors in Belgium and along the Aisne in France.

After weeks of watchful waiting there still is no indication that the Germans contemplate an early date their promised big offensive against the Entente fronts, which it has been asserted would be delivered with the old armies reinforced by troops brought from the Russian theatre.

During the past week the total British casualties were 6,354—the smallest number in many months.

## AMERICAN TROOPS IN TRENCHES

Washington, Feb. 4.—All reports to the War Department indicate that the Allies still hold a very appreciable numerical superiority both in men and guns on the western front, despite the heavy German concentration there since the defection of Russia. Secretary Baker's weekly war review today made this announcement and in commenting later, Mr. Baker said it represented the best judgment of the department based upon advices from all sources.

The review this week gives first place to the statement that "American troops" which have completed their training are now occupying a portion of the actual battle front." It warns the country that "the world has been flooded" with the reports of internal unrest in Germany, which must not be allowed "to affect the effectiveness or speed for our own preparations."

Commenting on the meeting of the supreme war council at Versailles, the review says it "promised to show positive results" in the way of unity of action on all fronts.