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MATTERS OF INTEREST TO THE READERS OF THE PATRIOT FAR AND NEAR.

Play at Pomona.—The pupils of the Pomona graded school will present a comedy entitled "Jasper's Farm" in the auditorium of the school building tomorrow night.

Revival Next Week.—A revival meeting will begin in the First Reformed church Sunday and continue until Easter. Rev. Harry A. Welker, who recently came to Faith, Rowan county, from Pennsylvania, will do the preaching.

Collecting Statistics.—Mr. George T. Bowen, of Person county, a special agent of the census bureau, is in the city gathering statistics of Greensboro's manufacturing plants and industrial enterprises. The work will keep him here for some time.

Closing Exercises.—The closing exercises of the Summers school, in Washington township, will take place Saturday, beginning at 11 o'clock A. M. A play, "Valley Farm," will be given at night. An invitation is extended to the public to attend the exercises.

New Corporation.—The charter of the High Point Warehouse and Storage Company was filed in the office of the clerk of the court yesterday. The company has an authorized capital of \$25,000, with \$5,000 subscribed by H. D. Sears, F. M. Pickett and R. H. Walker.

New Quarters.—Mr. Gilliam Grissom, who is in charge of Republican state headquarters here, has rented offices on the ground floor of the Guilford hotel building, on the Sycamore street side, and will occupy them in a few days, moving from the present location over Grissom's drug store.

Inspecting Material.—Mayor Murphy and Mr. J. Giles Foushee, commissioner of public works, are spending a few days in Wilmington inspecting certain street paving material with a view to its possible adoption for use in paving streets in Greensboro. The city officials hope to be able to start the street improvement work about the middle of April.

To Visit Raleigh.—Prof. W. C. Jackson, of the chair of history at the State Normal and Industrial College, will accompany his class to Raleigh Saturday to spend the day in the state capital. They will visit the hall of history, the state museum, the capitol and other points of interest about the city. The hall of history is now becoming a valuable feature for those who are studying history.

Dinner Last Night.—Mr. C. Grosvenor Dawe, of Washington, who is connected with the United States Chamber of Commerce, a well known traveler and lecturer, was the speaker last night at a "get together" dinner given by the Chamber of Commerce in the dining room of the Y. M. C. A. Mr. Dawe spoke on "Community Service" and was heard with interest by a goodly number of Greensboro business men.

A Correction.—In the list of legal weights and measures printed in last Thursday's Patriot the weight of matured onions was given as seven pounds a bushel when it should have been 57 pounds a bushel. The information was furnished the Patriot by the state agricultural department and a notice received from the department this week says the mistake was due to an incorrect copy being made of the original bill.

Fire Yesterday.—Fire yesterday afternoon badly damaged the Doak residence property, on East Washington street. The fire appeared in the attic and is supposed to have caught from the kitchen flue. It was burning fiercely when the firemen arrived and was extinguished after hard work. The interior of the building was deluged with water, which did almost as much damage as the fire. The extent of the damage has not been ascertained.

Petition in Bankruptcy.—In the United States court here Tuesday creditors filed a petition in bankruptcy against L. R. Clark, a merchant of Thomasville, who, it is alleged, owes debts in excess of \$3,700 that he is unable to pay. A subpoena was issued citing the respondent to appear before Judge Boyd April 1 to show cause, if any exist, why he should not be adjudged a bankrupt. Zed Griffith, of Thomasville, was appointed temporary receiver.

Penry-Tysor.—Mr. Alden C. Penry, of Winston-Salem, and Miss Mabel Tysor, of this city, were married Tuesday at 12.30 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Tysor, on Eugene street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. C. W. Byrd and was witnessed by a number of relatives and friends of the young couple. Mr. and Mrs. Penry have gone on a bridal trip to Washington and New York. Upon their return they will be at home in Winston-Salem.

Mrs. Jennie Miles Dead.—Mrs. Jennie Miles, of the Hillsdale section, died last evening at 7 o'clock at St. Leo's hospital, where she had been under treatment for the past three weeks. Mrs. Miles was 50 years old and a woman who was held in high esteem by all who knew her. She is survived by five sons and a daughter. The funeral and interment will take place at Center Methodist church tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. Rev. T. B. Johnson, of Summerfield, will conduct the services.

Will Locate Here.—Mr. R. J. M. Hobbs, a son of Dr. and Mrs. L. L. Hobbs, of Guilford College, who recently was licensed to practice law and located in Charlotte, has decided to move to Greensboro. After graduating from Guilford College and Haverford College, he studied law in Columbia University, in New York, graduating with distinction. Mr. Hobbs has many friends among the readers of The Patriot who will be glad to know that he is to return to Guilford and that he will make his home in Greensboro.

Registrars Named.—The registration books for the approaching city primary and election will be opened Monday. The city commissioners have appointed J. B. Minor register for the Gilmer township portion of the city, comprising all the territory east of Elm street, and J. A. Coppedge register for the section of the city lying west of Elm street and in Morehead township. The primaries and election are open to all residents of the city who were eligible to vote for the Guilford legislative delegation in the last election and who have been in their present precinct for a period of at least four months.

New Revenue Men.—Mr. W. H. Darby, of South Carolina, has been commissioned a special employe of the government in the enforcement of the anti-narcotic law that went into effect March 1 and assigned to duty under the revenue agent in Greensboro. He will take up his work April 1, and it will be his duty to visit druggists, physicians, dentists and veterinarians and see to it that they are meeting the requirements of the law. Three new men in the income tax division, who have been working under the collectors of internal revenue, will also be added to the revenue agent's force here April 1.

Another Ice Factory.—A charter has been issued for the Piedmont Ice and Coal Company, with an authorized capital of \$25,000. The incorporators are J. H. Dixon, W. M. Perdew, W. B. Ross, Ada L. Dixon and O. W. Monroe. When a sufficient amount of stock has been sold, the promoters will proceed to the purchase of a site and the erection of a building. Some time ago parties in High Point purchased from the Arctic Ice and Coal Company the ice plant on West Lee street and it is understood that it will be operated during the coming season. If the plans of the latest company succeed, Greensboro will be supplied with three ice factories.

Merchants Active.—The directors of the Greensboro Merchants' Association held a meeting yesterday afternoon and considered several matters of interest to the association and the public, special attention being paid to the "trade at home" campaign. The merchants are interesting themselves in educating the public to the folly of sending money away from home to the mail order houses, and during the discussion yesterday afternoon a number of instances were cited showing where actual financial loss had resulted from such a practice. The directors decided to put on a membership campaign in the near future in an effort to have every eligible merchant in the city become a member of the association.

Seriously Ill.—J. A. Long, of Roxboro, a former member of the state senate and a prominent business man, is seriously ill at his home. On account of his advanced age, fears are entertained for his recovery.

STRONG FORT CAPITULATES

RUSSIAN FORCES MAKE MOST IMPORTANT CAPTURE OF EUROPEAN WAR.

The long investment of the mid-Galician fortress of Przemysl has ended. Depleted by disease, subsisting on horse flesh and surrounded by a superior force of Russians, the garrison has surrendered to the besieging army after a defense lasting many months, which up to the present is recorded as Austria's most noteworthy contribution to the war.

The newspapers assert that the fall of the fortress marks the most important capture of the war, not excepting Antwerp, in that it not only releases considerable Russian forces which can be thrown into the fluctuating struggle in the Carpathians, but opens the door to Cracow and the plains of Hungary.

It is argued, too, that the moral effect of the surrender will be tremendous, the allies declaring it will stimulate feeling in their favor both in Roumania and Bulgaria, just as the operations in the Dardanelles are causing an agitation in Greece and Italy.

The hoisting of the white flag over the fortress caused little surprise. It was generally known that the defenders were in a terribly weakened condition, without food and ammunition and their endurance was only a question of days.

War office advices report that nine Austrian generals, more than 300 officers and 50,000 men surrendered.

With only three days' rations left, the Austrians endeavored to break through the besieging lines, but after a seven-hours' battle they were compelled to retreat behind the line of forts. Three days later, having destroyed the fortifications, blown up the guns and burned the ammunition, the Austrians brought out the white flag of surrender.

Vienna says the fortress for a long time had faced famine conditions.

Austrian Troops Revolting. Gurnitt broke out in the starving garrison at Przemysl and General Kusmanek surrendered to the Russians to prevent a disgraceful revolt, according to dispatches to the Russian war office.

On Sunday afternoon the Austrian commander ordered 20,000 of his troops to participate in a savage attack upon the Russian lines on the south. His object was a desperate dash that would cut a gap through the line of the besiegers and enable at least part of the garrison to fight its way to safety.

In a futile effort to arouse his troops to one last bayonet charge the Austrian commander issued a most stirring appeal. A copy of his last order, wired here this afternoon, follows:

"Heroes of the Austrian army, I now announce my last summons. The honor of our army and our country demands that I lead you to pierce with points of steel the iron circle of the enemy. Then we shall march on until we join a nearby Austrian army. We have shared our last provisions. We must open the way. We shall open it."

Several units refused to move. Officers dashed back and forth along the Austrian lines, threatening to execute the mutineers.

They stood their ground, however, and were joined by other groups who threatened to march out and lay down their arms to the Russians unless they were given food.

General Kusmanek called a conference of the commanders. At a meeting that lasted until near midnight it was decided to surrender.

Germans Recapture Memel. The re-capture of Memel, East Prussia, by the Germans is admitted by the Russian war office, which says:

"Our detachment, which reconnoitered Memel has retired to Russian territory."

Both Russians and Austrians claim the capture of several thousand men in the Carpathians, and thus matters there are about evenly balanced. The battle in Poland continues, with no apparent advantage on either side.

In the west the operations consist largely of trench fighting. A communication from the headquarters of Field Marshal Sir John French regarding recent activities notes little change in the situation in northern France. The operations of the allied fleet in the Dardanelles have been

delayed by bad weather and the ships which suffered damage in the last bombardment are being repaired. A Malta dispatch says operations are to be resumed at an early date and that every precaution is being taken to avoid surprises.

A force of 1,000 Turks who attempted to attack the Suez canal, near the town of Suez, have been routed. The Turks were accompanied by German officers.

The British colonial office reports that normal conditions now prevail in Singapore, following the recent mutiny.

Seventeen young Belgians are reported to have been executed at Ghent by the Germans after having been found guilty of espionage.

British Airmen Attempt Raid.

British air raid on Hoboken, near Antwerp, where the Germans are constructing submarines, another threatened effort by the Germans in Flanders and heavy fighting in the Carpathians are the outstanding features in yesterday's war news.

Five British airmen started from Dunkirk to raid the submarine yards, but only two reached the mark. Two were turned back by thick weather and a third landed in Holland because of engine trouble and was interned.

According to a British admiralty report, two of the submarines which were observed on the ships were damaged and the works set afire. Prior to the war this plant was known as the Cockerill works and was owned by a British company. When the Germans took the plant over a high fence was erected around it and no Belgian was allowed to enter. Workmen were brought from Germany to build the submarines.

Dispatches from the Dutch frontier say that seven German airmen attacked the British raiders, but were outflown.

WOODMEN OF THE WORLD HELD MEETING TUESDAY.

The biennial meeting of the State Grove of the Supreme forest, the ladies' auxiliary of the Woodmen of the World, was held in this city Tuesday. Mrs. Sarah M. Williams, of Rocky Mount, the grand guardian, presided over the convention, which was attended by 40 delegates from various sections of the state.

The morning session was given over to the reports of the officers and a discussion of the reports and other matters affecting the order. It was shown that the membership in this state during the past two years had made an increase of 100 per cent.

At the afternoon session the various committees reported and officers were elected for the ensuing term of two years.

The election of officers resulted as follows: Delegate to the Supreme Forest convention, St. Paul, Minn., Mrs. Sarah M. Williams, of Rocky Mount; grand guardian, Cora L. Mabry, Concord; grand adviser, Sophronia A. Lentz, Albemarle; grand clerk, Mattie E. Morrison, Harrisburg; grand banker, Mae Thomas, Charlotte; grand chaplain, J. D. Buice, Charlotte; grand attendant, Elizabeth Thompson, Greensboro; grand inner sentinel, Annie Patterson, Kannapolis; grand outer sentinel, Annie E. Mims, Spencer; grand managers, W. S. Charles, Charlotte, chairman, and Susan C. Rodgers, Pineville; Annie Rayner, Powellsville; Bertha T. Waters, Goldsboro; Mattie E. Allen, Stem.

Rocky Mount was selected as the next place of meeting, and the convention will be held in that city the second Tuesday in April, 1917. The convention adjourned at 4 o'clock and at 6 was entertained by the grand officers at a banquet in the dining room of Hotel Clegg. At this gathering the consul commander of the Greensboro camp of Woodmen of the World, Charles A. Hines, presided in a happy manner. Speeches were made by Grand Guardian Cora L. Mabry, Grand Banker Mae Thomas, W. S. Charles, George F. Wise, S. O'Brian, W. A. Short, E. B. Lewis and others.

Driven Insane.—Driven insane by British artillery fire which mowed down their comrades, 300 German infantrymen were removed to an asylum near Aix-La-Chapelle after the battle of Neuve Chapelle, according to a dispatch from Amsterdam to the Exchange Telegraph Company in London. An unnamed German officer is quoted as saying that the casualties equaled those of Waterloo.

THE CARTER INVESTIGATION

MANY WITNESSES TESTIFY AS TO CONDUCT OF SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE.

The commission appointed by the legislature to investigate charges brought against the moral character and judicial fitness of Judge Frank Carter, of the Superior court bench, began its work in Raleigh Monday, and while many witnesses have been examined, nothing has been brought out so far to cause the public to believe the accused jurist is guilty of the charges of gross immorality brought against him. Evidence has been introduced which indicates that he has been indiscreet; that he possesses an irascible temper and has had trouble with a number of lawyers in his courts.

The investigation, it will be recalled, grows out of the action of Judge Carter in imposing a fine of \$50 upon Solicitor Charles L. Abernethy for contempt of court at Newbern some weeks ago. Hon. R. A. Doughton is chairman of the commission conducting the investigation.

The first witness called was Col. John D. Kerr, of Clinton. He testified that he had appeared as an attorney in Judge Carter's courts a number of times, the last court by Judge Carter in his county having been in 1912. Of his own knowledge, he knew nothing of any acts of immoral conduct by Judge Carter and had never observed any acts by the judge that would indicate such a conduct. Asked by Chairman Doughton as to alleged arbitrary and unbecoming conduct on the bench by Judge Carter, Colonel Kerr said that Judge O. H. Allen had caused a box to be placed at the bar in the court room to elevate the witness chair so that the witness could be better observed from all parts of the court room. Judge Carter ordered this box removed by the time for the next court to convene. The sheriff, for some cause, failed to have the box removed and after the court was convened Judge Carter, in an evidently angry manner, ordered the box to be taken out. T. W. Crumpler, the sheriff of Sampson county, attempted to take it away and was having trouble in doing so on account of its being nailed down at the four corners and Judge Carter stepped down from the bench and kicked the box over in such a way that it struck against Mr. Crumpler, who afterwards informed Colonel Kerr that the skin was scraped from his shin by the box as kicked by the judge.

Another witness, testifying as to the box-kicking incident, said Judge Carter cursed, saying to the sheriff, "I told you to have that damned box removed." Mrs. Levy Carter testified that on one occasion, while stopping at Wrightsville Beach, Judge Carter went to her home in Wilmington with a Mrs. Williams, of Georgia, and that she saw him kiss Mrs. Williams on the cheek. Henry A. Grady and two or three other witnesses from Clinton testified that Judge Carter's conduct with Mrs. Williams, who conducts a hotel in that town, and her daughter, Mrs. Towler, had been the occasion of unfavorable comment. These witnesses gave the two women a bad reputation.

Mrs. Williams, a woman 60 years old, went on the witness stand and vigorously denied all the insinuations made against herself, her daughter and Judge Carter. It was shown that Mrs. Towler is in very poor health and has spent a good portion of her time for the past few years in hospitals.

Testimony was introduced to show that Judge Carter had shown a fondness for a young woman stenographer of Raleigh and that he had her to accompany him to courts in several counties.

About a dozen lawyers testified that they had been subjected to harsh treatment at the hands of Judge Carter. W. N. Harris, T. J. Covington, J. Allen Taylor, J. D. Bellamy and J. O. Carr, of Wilmington, and Maj. Robert Bingham, of Asheville, testified as to the high moral character of Judge Carter. The Wilmington witnesses commended the judge for his work in ridding that city of blind tigers.

The commission finished its work in Raleigh last night and goes to Newbern today to examine a number of witnesses in that place with special reference to the contempt charge against Solicitor Abernethy.

"STONEWALL" JACKSON'S WIDOW DIED YESTERDAY.

Following many months of illness and after suffering three days from an attack of pneumonia, Mrs. Mary A. Jackson, widow of Gen. "Stonewall" Jackson, who achieved undying fame as a leader of the Confederate army, died at her home in Charlotte at 4 o'clock yesterday morning. She had been unconscious since Tuesday afternoon.

At the bedside when the end came were E. Randolph Preston and wife, who was Miss Julia Christian, granddaughter of Mrs. Jackson; Dr. Graham, a cousin, and other relatives.

The funeral will take place at the First Presbyterian church of Charlotte this afternoon at 5 o'clock. The public buildings and schools of Charlotte are closed today in honor of the distinguished woman who has passed away. The business houses of the city will be closed during the funeral hour.

The body will be taken to Lexington, Va., accompanied by a military escort, and will rest beside that of her husband and daughter.

Mrs. Jackson had been ill since last August. Her last appearance was in Richmond, Va., last May, when, as the guest of the governor of Virginia, she was the chief figure at a bazaar in the interest of the Jackson memorial.

Mrs. Jackson was born in Mecklenburg county July 21, 1831. She was the daughter of the Rev. Robert Hall Morrison, a Presbyterian minister and founder of Davidson College. She attended Salem Academy and College, finishing in 1849. She was Gen. Jackson's second wife and was married to him in July, 1857. Jackson, then a major in the United States army, was serving as instructor in the Virginia Military Institute at Lexington.

GEN. CARRANZA'S FORCES DEFEATED BY VILLA'S MEN.

Monterey, Mex., March 23.—The first important battle in Gen. Villa's march against Tampico took place near here today and resulted in the defeat of the Carranzaists.

A detachment of Carranzaists troops learning of the approach of 5,000 Villaistas, under General Angeles, embarked upon troop trains. All of General Angeles' men were mounted and they started off in pursuit of the trains at full gallop. The engine of the last train was too light for its heavy load and Angeles' men soon overhauled it and began shooting.

This spectacular running battle was kept up for three miles during which the Villaistas gave an exhibition of horsemanship seldom equaled. While under hot fire Colonel Elias rode up and uncoupled the cars from the locomotive and 2,000 Carranzaists were captured with five car loads of provisions.

Washington, March 23.—The Brazilian minister at Mexico City cabled Secretary of State Bryan today that General Palafox, Zapata's minister for foreign affairs, had expressed to the United States his regret for the killing of John McManus about 12 days ago at the Mexican national capital.

Secretary Bryan stated in addition that indemnity for the death of McManus had been promised by the Villa-Zapata combination.

Mr. Bryan did not care to give the amount of the indemnity which he said was large and that he had no information as to whether any arrests had been made or how far the inquiry looking to the punishment of the murderers of McManus had progressed.

New Plan to Raise Income Tax.

Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo and Internal Revenue Commissioner Osborn have decided on a partial reorganization of the investigation force in planning for the 1915 income tax collecting campaign. Some 20 special agents appointed last year have received suggestions that they resign to make way for trained accountants, fitted to handle the books of corporations subject to the tax.

A number of these agents already have resigned, but it is said there has been objection to the department's action by members of Congress who recommended the appointments.

Officials are still at sea as to how much to expect under the tax law for the fiscal year 1915. Secretary McAdoo has figured upon \$80,000,000.