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

Daughter Born.—Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Sales are receiving congratulations on the birth of a fine daughter. Both mother and child are doing well.

Suffers Relapse.—Mr. Will R. Rankin, who recently has been improving from a long and serious illness, has suffered a relapse and is again confined to his home on West Market street.

Hanes-Frazier.—Mr. J. E. Hanes, who is connected with the Haffner hotel, and Miss Grace Frazier, of Gulf, were married Thursday morning at the home of the bride. They are spending their honeymoon in Asheville.

Death of Infant.—Jessie Mozelle, the two-weeks-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Snyder, died at the home of her parents on Gregory street Saturday afternoon. Interment took place at Zion's chapel yesterday afternoon.

Summer Conference.—The third annual summer conference of the Methodist Protestant church in North Carolina will convene at the children's home, near High Point, this evening and continue through Thursday.

On Western Trip.—Mr. and Mrs. Mason W. Gant, accompanied by Mrs. June Williams, of Madison, will leave this evening on a visit to the San Francisco exposition and a tour through the West. They expect to be absent five weeks.

J. F. Faucette Dead.—Mr. J. F. Faucette died yesterday morning at 1 o'clock at his home at White Oak. He was 60 years of age and is survived by his widow and seven children. The funeral and burial take place at Hines' chapel this afternoon.

Made President.—Mr. Charles F. Tomlinson, one of the leading furniture manufacturers of High Point, was Friday elected president of the National Travelers' Protective Association at the annual meeting in Omaha, Neb. This is probably the largest organization of commercial salesmen and business men in the country.

Revival Services.—The revival services at the First Presbyterian church are attracting large congregations and considerable interest is being manifested. Rev. Dr. Richard Orme Flinn, of Atlanta, who is doing the preaching, is an attractive and forceful speaker. Services are held twice daily—at 8.15 in the morning and 8.30 in the evening.

Business Changes.—Mr. E. C. Sykes, who has conducted a drug store in the Guilford hotel building for several years, has sold the business to Mr. John L. Howerton, who has been manager of the Still Drug Company. Mr. Sykes has purchased stock in the Pariss-Klutzn Drug Company and will be actively connected with that concern in the future.

Monument Unveiling.—The Greene memorial monument will be unveiled at the Guilford Battle Ground celebration July 3 by Mrs. Hamilton Meader, Jr., of Providence, R. I., and her brother, Mr. George Washington Greene Carpenter, of Boston Mass. They are lineal descendants of Gen. Nathanael Greene, in honor of whose memory the monument has been erected by the government.

Aged Man Dead.—Mr. L. G. B. Bingham, one of the oldest and best known citizens of Randolph county, died at his home last Wednesday at the advanced age of 81 years. He was a leading member of the Republican party in Randolph and was elected to the legislature once and served two terms as a member of the board of county commissioners years ago. He was an active member of the Methodist Protestant church.

Doctors Adjourn.—The North Carolina Medical Society, which held its sixty-second annual convention in this city last week, adjourned Thursday afternoon to meet next year in Durham. The meeting date was moved up from the third week in June to the third week in April so as not to conflict with the meeting time of the American Medical Association. Officers of the society were elected for the ensuing year as follows: Dr. H. M. Fletcher, of Asheville, president; Dr. J. L. Nicholson, of Richlands; Dr. L. N. Glenn, of Gastonia, and Dr. W. H. Hardiston, of Creswell, vice presidents; Dr. B. K. Hays, of Oxford, secretary; Dr. William M. Jones, of Greensboro, treasurer.

Verdict Set Aside.—In the Superior court of Mecklenburg county Friday Judge Lane set aside a verdict for \$1,000 that had been rendered against Mr. A. N. Perkins, of this city, and the Central Hotel Company, of Charlotte. The suit was brought for damages for the death of an elevator boy at the Central hotel who lost his life in an accident while Mr. Perkins was manager of the hotel. The case remains on the docket and will be tried again.

Automobile Invention.—Mr. J. H. Gilliland, of this city, a conductor on the Greensboro-Goldsboro division of the Southern Railway, has patented a device that promises to do away with pneumatic tires for automobiles. The last patents on the device have recently been received and Mr. Gilliland has a machine equipped with his patent tires. The tires are of solid rubber, but to all appearance the car rides as smoothly as if it were on pneumatic tires. The shock is taken up by springs and pistons attached to the axles.

Captured a Still.—Sheriff Stafford, accompanied by Deputies Shaw and Phipps and Revenue Officer Arrow-smith went down into the southeastern corner of the county Friday night and captured a blockade still near the Randolph line. There was evidence to show that the still had been operated for some time. No one was about the place when the officers arrived, the distillers having prepared a tub of mash and gone home for the night. The distillery was a pretty crude outfit, but it had been answering the purpose all right in turning out corn liquor. The still and worm were seized and brought to town.

Death of Veteran.—Mr. Henry J. Dobbs died Friday morning at his home in High Point, following a stroke of paralysis he suffered upon his return from the recent Confederate reunion in Richmond. Mr. Dobbs was 81 years old and a native of Amherst, Va. The body was carried to his old Virginia home, where the funeral and interment took place Saturday afternoon. Mr. Dobbs was a brave Confederate soldier and was always interested in the activities of the veterans. He is survived by his widow, a son and a daughter. Mr. and Mrs. Dobbs moved to High Point some years ago to make their home with their son, Mr. J. H. Dobbs, who is engaged in business there.

More Plentiful.—From some cause or other flies are much more plentiful in Greensboro this summer than they were last, when the city almost earned the title of the "flyless town." Some people attribute the presence of the pesky flies to the damp weather, but the real reason probably is the fact that most people are not working as hard to exterminate them as they did last year. Another cause is to be found in the presence of a number of unclean stables in the city. There is a city ordinance that requires every stable in the city limits to be cleaned once a week, but all the owners of stables are not complying with the law. In one day last week one of the officers of the health department found over 20 violations of the ordinance. It is said that the next inspection will result in the arrest of those people who are not keeping their stables clean.

Becker Appeal Denied.—The New York Court of Appeals has denied the application of Charles Becker for a reargument on its decision affirming his sentence of death.

Becker, convicted of inspiring the murder of Herman Rosenthal, is in the Sing Sing death house, sentenced to die during the week of July 12. Intervention by Governor Whitman or the United States Supreme court alone can save him. Little hope is expressed that the Federal court will act favorably or that the governor, who prosecuted the former police officer, will be inclined to grant him clemency.

Jury Trial For Harry Thaw.—The New York Court of Appeals has upheld the order of Supreme Court Justice Hendrick directing a jury trial to test the sanity of Harry K. Thaw. The Court of Appeals was unanimous in its decision, which had that Justice Hendrick did not attempt to evade responsibility in directing a jury trial, but merely wished to obtain the advice of a jury. The decision holds that Thaw has no mandatory right to a jury trial, but that it was in the discretion of the trial judge to decide whether such a request should be granted.

SUPERIOR COURT CLEANS UP DOCKET AND QUILTS.

The June criminal term of Superior court adjourned shortly after noon Friday, the docket having been cleared of all the cases it held. There were 57 cases on the docket, divided as follows as to disposition: Found guilty, 35; not guilty, 6; called and failed, 4; not true bills, 2; continued, 13; not prosessed, 5; remanded to the city courts of Greensboro and High Point, 2.

Chester Banks, colored, who was indicted for burglary in the first degree for entering the home of a Mrs. Lewey, in the eastern part of the county, one night about three months ago, entered a plea of guilty to burglary in the second degree and was sentenced to the state penitentiary for 20 years.

V. H. Raunata, a negro of foreign birth, who figured in the Municipal court recently as the unlawful recipient of whiskey shipped as seed Irish potatoes, was given a sentence of 10 months on the county roads. Notice of appeal was given.

D. H. Layton was found guilty of embezzling \$100 from a minor child for whom he was guardian, but judgment was suspended upon repayment of the money, interest on the amount and the costs of the case.

Frank Baldwin, a white man, was found hot guilty of the charge of abandonment.

Barrett Hyams, white, was convicted of larceny and given a sentence of 12 months on the roads.

Ernest Clymer, colored, was fined \$50 and costs for retailing. The same sentence was imposed on Will Hayes, colored, for a similar offence.

GEORGE DONNELL DIES IN EIGHTY-SIXTH YEAR.

Mr. George Donnell, one of the oldest citizens of Greensboro, died Saturday morning at his home on West Gaston street. While he had been feeble for some time, his last illness was brief and the announcement of his death came as a surprise to his friends and the public. He lacked about six weeks of being 86 years of age.

Mr. Donnell was born and spent his entire life in this county. His ancestors came to Guilford from Pennsylvania some years prior to the Revolutionary war and settled along North Buffalo creek, in the vicinity of Buffalo Presbyterian church. It was in this community that Mr. Donnell was reared and spent his life until he moved to Greensboro.

On May 1, 1860, Mr. Donnell was married to Miss Sarah Jane Caldwell, of Mecklenburg county, a direct descendant of Rev. Dr. David Caldwell. Three children were born of this union—a son, Arthur, who died in young manhood, and two daughters, Mrs. Thomas L. Johnston, of Rock Hill, S. C., and Mrs. Charles L. Van Noppen, of this city, who survive with their aged mother. There are also six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The funeral was held from the residence yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock and interment made in Greene Hill cemetery. The services were conducted by Rev. Dr. Melton Clark, Rev. R. Murphy Williams, and Rev. J. Clyde Turner.

England's Weakest Spot.

One of the greatest surprises of the war is that England's weakest spot is her industries. No one is astonished that she was much less prepared for war than Germany. But industrially it was supposed that she was second to no nation. Yet her greatest difficulty seems to be, not in getting soldiers, but in getting the civil population to make military supplies. The workmen are deserting the liberal treatment, and they have probably not received it. With a large part of the working population in the ranks the conditions are favorable for higher wages, and with food prices high there is a necessity for higher wages. But the troubles are not entirely over the pay. There is far more drinking than is consistent with efficiency, and a considerable part of the workers are not moved by the imperative needs of their country to exert themselves. The industries of England seem to be weaker than the military resources.

Elected President.—Mayor Thomas J. Murphy was elected president of the Carolina Municipal Association at the annual meeting of that body held in Asheville Thursday and Friday.

RUSSIANS ARE DRIVEN BACK

TEUTONIC ALLIES PRESSING ON LEMBERG—EMPEROR IN COMMAND.

After seven weeks' battering across Galicia, during which the Russians have been thrown back more than 150 miles, the Austro-Germans are as close to Lemberg as were the Germans to Paris last fall. Never perhaps since before the battle of the Marne have the Teutonic allies appeared so confident of success.

Having failed in their original plan of crushing France and then turning to Russia, they have reversed the order of their strategy, and now judging by the expenditure of life and ammunition in Galicia, they have pinned their whole faith on paralyzing the Russian army to permit the throwing of a tremendous weight of men and metal into the west, there either to break through the Franco-British line or force an interminable period of sanguinary warfare.

A dispatch from Copenhagen says that the German emperor himself has taken supreme command of the Galician campaign, establishing his headquarters in Silisea as near to the front as possible.

Meanwhile the German official communication records the further progress of the Austro-German forces toward Lemberg, both to the north and south of the city. It claims, as well, that the Russians have been cleared from parts of the Dniester to the south.

It is argued that even should Lemberg fall, the Russians can drop back to equally formidable positions, utilizing the rivers and swamps, and it is the British contention that they thus could hold out for months, England and France in the meantime sending to their aid men and munitions if necessary.

Whether Russia has sufficient ammunition to meet the present strain is a question which cannot be answered in England, although the London papers say the shortage is acute. One paper characterized the situation in Galicia as "Russia's supreme emergency" and public interest is centered in that theater, notwithstanding the hard fighting in progress along the western front. The sound of guns is audible at Lemberg, and possibly this week will see the culmination of one of the most interesting phases of the war.

Fighting is Desperate.

Although disagreeing as to the results of the German official statement, the French and British communications indicate that the fighting in the Arras section and at the northern and southern parts of the short British front is as desperate as any the western theater of war has developed. The area of hostilities is tiny as compared with the sweep of the Galician front, where the Austro-Germans are still driving forward, but the last few days have brought much hand-to-hand fighting, the British and French striving to hold the trenches gained, and the Germans, with a preponderance of machine guns, as promptly initiating a counter-attack.

Each side dwells on the losses of the other, and each emphasizes its gains, all of which have been costly, although comparatively small as measured in distance. It is too early to say whether this means a serious Franco-British attempt to break through, but it is patent that they are on the offensive.

In the east, the Austro-German forces are not only nearer Lemberg, Galicia, but claim to have driven the Russians further across the frontier of Poland in the vicinity of Tarnograd as well as penetrating further into Bessarabia. The battle for Lemberg is now raging along the fortified Grodek line, where it is predicted the Russians will give a final stubborn battle to have the capital.

The British press, pending such time as the Russian stiffen their resistance, is finding solace in the reports of the colossal human sacrifices which the Austro-German drive through Galicia entailed. It is claimed that the Russians, even if forced to retreat, by clever management have drawn the Austro-German forces perilously far from their rail communications, meantime so seriously sapping their vitality with estimated losses of ten thousand men a day as to contribute materially to the outcome of the western campaign.

Artillery Duel in the Alps.—The artillery duel between Aus-

trians and Italians in the Carnic Alps is continuing day and night. When darkness falls searchlights and rockets are brought into play to make fighting possible. The Austrians have been successful in bringing powerful artillery against the positions in these mountains held by the Italians.

Up to the present the Italians would appear to have been able to maintain their superiority. Italian troops, customs guards and the Alpine men have made many successful surprise attacks upon the Austrians, compelling them in several cases to surrender without fighting. It is their custom to advance upon the trenches, which are considered impregnable, over little mountain trails and win their fight by the suddenness of their appearance. In this manner the mountains to the west and to the south of Malborgeth have been occupied, as have also certain heights dominating the plateau of Gail.

The Austrians recently made an effort to concentrate their forces for an attack on the Italian positions on Monte Nero, but Italian bersaglieri, supported by machine guns and mountain artillery, made a sudden and unexpected advance and drove the Austrians back. The Austrian losses are described as "heavy," the Italians also taking some prisoners.

President Calls on Bryan.

Washington, June 18.—President Wilson called at the home of former Secretary of State Bryan late today to bid good-bye to Mr. and Mrs. Bryan before they depart for a Southern trip. The visit was described as entirely social and there were no references to the international situation. Secretary McAdoo called later.

During the afternoon Mr. Bryan made public a statement denying reports that he had been ignored by President Wilson while secretary of state. He said there never were any material differences on questions of policy between himself and the president until the foreign submarine controversy arose.

"I am glad to make refutation," said Mr. Bryan, "and to say that the president has done me the honor to confer with me about everything done in connection with the state department. Not a single statement has been issued by the president, or prepared by him, about which I have not had the privilege of conferring with him beforehand and the opportunity to offer suggestions after it was prepared."

CLAIMS THAT MAIL WAS OPENED IN ENGLAND.

Washington, June 18.—United States officials are confronted with a perplexing problem in connection with the complaint of the Swedish minister here that private mail from New York to Sweden has been opened while passing through English ports.

As the mails were alleged to have been opened in England, interesting legal questions have been raised which made it appear doubtful to many officials today whether the United States could do more than transmit the complaint to Great Britain for consideration.

Inasmuch as cable messages passing through belligerent countries are subject to censorship, the view taken in official quarters was that private letters passing through these nations were liable to the same risks if they contained military information.

Official correspondence between the United States government and its embassies and legations abroad has enjoyed immunity from interference, being mailed in sealed pouches. Such immunity, however, has not always extended to consular mail, and American consuls abroad, to make sure of the delivery of important documents, have transmitted them to United States embassies to be forwarded.

Canada Raising More Troops.

Ottawa, June 18.—The tide of recruiting is on the flood, and within a few weeks Canada will have 160,000 men with the colors.

A steady stream of men is flowing into the recruiting offices. Already, it is stated, there are between 135,000 and 140,000 men under arms. This estimate is based upon the men who have been sent abroad, those on the ocean, those in the Dominion's nine training camps, those on the guard at arsenals and other military plants in Canada and those in garrisons in Bermuda and St. Lucia.

GOVERNMENT ROBBED OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS.

Washington, June 20.—How violators of the oleomargarine law have defrauded the government out of at least \$27,000,000 due in stamps and special taxes was revealed tonight by Secretary McAdoo in a statement based on a preliminary report on a sweeping investigation conducted by Commissioner Osborn, of the internal revenue bureau.

Frauds committed as long ago as 1902, immediately after the enactment of the law, have been uncovered. The commissioner began his inquiry some months ago and since then unpaid taxes aggregating \$351,000 have been recovered and deposited in the treasury "with the prospects of further very large collections." Forty-two violators of the law have been convicted since the first of January and 29 of these have been given prison sentences. Fines aggregating \$148,000 have been assessed, in addition to the recoveries actually made and the announcement declares the investigation will be continued.

The announcement shows that since 1902 more than 200,000,000 pounds of colored oleomargarine have been manufactured and fraudulently sold as uncolored.

"This amount," it says, "represents more than twice the average yearly consumption of both colored and uncolored oleomargarine by the people of the United States since the present law went into effect."

"Approximately one hundred and eighty-five million pounds of this 200,000,000 pounds were sold by oleomargarine manufacturers to dealers as uncolored oleomargarine and then in many cases sold to the ultimate consumer as butter. The remaining 15,000,000 pounds were made by butter manufacturers and sold as butter without the payment of any tax."

"The law imposes a tax of 10 cents a pound on colored oleomargarine and one-quarter of a cent a pound on the uncolored product. In perpetration of these frauds the oleomargarine manufacturers have paid only the one-quarter cent when they should have paid ten cents."

UNEXPECTED DEATH OF DR. G. E. JORDAN YESTERDAY.

Dr. G. E. Jordan, one of the most prominent citizens of eastern Guilford, died at his home in Gibsonville a few minutes after 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. He was stricken with paralysis about 3 o'clock and did not regain consciousness. His death came with shocking suddenness and brings sorrow to many hearts.

Dr. Jordan was 56 years old and is survived by his widow, two sons and three daughters. He was one of the leading physicians of the county and enjoyed a large practice in Gibsonville and throughout the surrounding country.

The funeral will be held in the M. E. church at Gibsonville this afternoon at 3 o'clock, the services to be conducted by the pastor, Rev. W. S. Hales. Interment will be made with Masonic honors at Shallow Ford church.

ORGANIZATION FOR THE RELIEF OF THE JEWS.

New York, June 18.—What is intended as a nation-wide movement for the amelioration of the condition of the Jews all over the world, particularly those in the belligerent European nations, was inaugurated today with the formal organization here of the International Jewish Emancipation Committee. Champ Clark, speaker of the house of representatives, was elected its president.

The movement was started by prominent Hebrews in this city and the influence and aid of representative men in educational and political circles are solicited. Hundreds of letters from prominent men, expressing sympathy with the proposed movement, have been received by Henry Green, executive secretary of the committee.

It is the belief of those interested in the movement that the question of permanently establishing the civil and political rights of Jews throughout the world can be settled for all time through the influence that the United States will exercise at the conclusion of the European war.

Speaker Clark in a recent letter to the committee said: "I will be glad to do what I can in aiding the Jews to get a favorable international agreement."