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

New City Directory.—Representation of the Hill Directory Company, of Richmond, are working on a new directory for Greensboro. It will be out in about six weeks.

Fireworks Again.—Secretary Gardantel, of the Central Carolina Fair Association, announces that there will be fireworks at the fair this fall. The battle of Vera Cruz will be the specialty this time.

Death of Child.—Ruth Hall, the 21-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hall, died Thursday at the family residence, 60 Maple street, Proximity. The body was carried to Randleman, where the burial took place Friday.

Tennis Tournament.—A tennis tournament will be commenced this afternoon by lovers of this sport and will continue through the week, the main coming Saturday. Several prizes are offered by firms of the city selling tennis supplies.

Play Festival.—The training school of the State Normal and Industrial College will give a play festival this evening from 5 to 6 o'clock. A program in which all grades will have a part has been arranged and the occasion promises to be very interesting.

Baseball Club in Bad Way.—Directors of the baseball club announce that unless citizens of the town come to the rescue of the club, that the franchise will be surrendered and the team will have no games after this week. The club is about \$1,200 in debt.

Freight Wreck Saturday.—Thirteen cars of a freight train left the track near Hillsboro Saturday shortly after noon, and it was 8 o'clock Sunday morning before the track was cleared. Passengers were transferred at the scene of the wreck. No one was hurt.

Death at Guilford College.—Charles Stanley, the three-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Stanley, died Saturday afternoon at the family home at Guilford College. The funeral was held yesterday afternoon and interment was in the Guilford College cemetery.

Revival at Bessemer.—The public is cordially invited to attend the revival meetings now being held at the Bessemer Presbyterian church every evening at 8 o'clock. Rev. J. A. Satterfield, of Durham, is conducting the services, assisted by Rev. Dr. Milton Clark of this city.

Death of Child.—Charles Washington, the 21-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Brower, south of the city, died Saturday morning at 3 o'clock. The funeral was held Saturday afternoon from Moriah church at 8 o'clock and interment was in the church burying ground.

Invitation to Pezet.—C. H. Martin, Senator Overman's secretary, Friday sent an invitation to Minister Pezet, of the Peruvian legation, to attend the Pan American conference in Greensboro next month. Mr. Pezet is at present out of Washington, and it is not known whether he will accept or not.

Year Old Baby Dies.—Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Parker, east of the city, Nettie Virginia, 14 months of age, died after an illness of two weeks. The funeral was held Sunday morning at 10.30 o'clock from Holt's chapel, by Rev. F. L. Townsend. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Sunday School Work.—Randolph county is working on the plan of having an all-time educational director for the Sunday schools of that county, along the same lines that Guilford county is working. State Sunday School Secretary Long has just returned from Randolph county and he says that the Sunday school leaders there are enthusiastic over the idea.

Much Water Wasted.—The city pumping station at Reedy Fork has had all pumps running day and night recently to prevent the city's water supply from getting low. An average of 2,250,000 gallons daily has been used the last week. Commissioner of Public Works Foushee says one-third of this amount is wasted. If this waste is kept up all water users will have meters furnished them by the city and will be made to pay for the waste. There is no immediate danger of scarcity of water. The trouble is the cost of water and other expenses of pumping.

Mrs. Varner Dies.—Mrs. Laura Ann Varner, aged 88 years, died Friday morning at 4 o'clock at the home of her son, Mr. J. M. Varner, six miles southeast of Greensboro. The funeral was held in Bethlehem church Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Terrell. Mrs. Varner is survived by three sons and one daughter.

Not Guilty of Fraud.—Jack J. Noell, an actor, was found not guilty in the Municipal court Saturday of passing a worthless check. The Meyer's Company sold him goods and he gave a check in payment. The check was twice presented and turned down, but he later paid the money. He also showed that he had money enough in the bank to pay the check when it was drawn.

Appropriation to Hospital.—The county commissioners have decided to appropriate \$30 a month to St. Leo's hospital to assist in defraying the expenses of charity patients in the hospital. In nine years the hospital has cared for 1,325 patients from Guilford county without charge—an average of about three a week. The cost of a patient at the hospital is about \$1 a day.

Indices of Colonial Records.—The office of the clerk of the court has received two volumes compiled and edited by Stephen B. Weeks, which are indices to the colonial records of North Carolina. The records are spread in twenty-five volumes and have heretofore been difficult to handle in making references. The indices are expected to overcome this difficulty.

Holton-Benbow.—Miss Lillie Mae Holton was married to Mr. Harry W. Benbow at the home of Mr. P. C. Edgerton in Winston-Salem last Thursday evening. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. P. L. Holton and the bridegroom is the son of the late W. E. Benbow, of Oak Ridge. After the ceremony the couple went to Oak Ridge to visit Mr. Benbow's mother. They will make their home at Fries, Va.

Death at Mt. Hope.—Ella May Greeson, the three-month-old daughter of L. R. Greeson, died Friday morning at 11 o'clock, at the home near Mt. Hope church. The funeral was held from the residence at 4 o'clock Sunday and was conducted by Rev. Shuford Peeler, of this city. The news of the death of the child is particularly sad to friends of the family, as the mother of the little one died a little more than a week ago.

Store is Entered.—The clothing store of Johnson, Hinkle & Co., on South Elm street, was entered some time Saturday night and a considerable quantity of clothing taken away. The robbery was discovered yesterday morning. The person or persons entering must have been small, for the only hole was 7 by 14 inches. One old suit of clothes was left behind and a suit case, four suits of clothes and a good many accessories were taken.

Mr. W. P. West Dies.—Mr. W. P. West, of McLeansville, died Saturday night at St. Leo's hospital. He was nearly 60 years of age and had lived near McLeansville all his life. Besides a widow and several children, a mother, Mrs. Martha Ann West; two brothers, John and James; two sisters, Mrs. James Donnell and Miss Lizzie West, survive. The funeral was held this morning from Buchanan's church at 11 o'clock. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Mrs. J. C. Morris Dead.—Mrs. J. C. Morris died Saturday at noon at St. Leo's hospital. The funeral was conducted by her pastor, Rev. R. M. Andrews, at Grace Methodist Protestant church yesterday afternoon. Interment was in Greene Hill cemetery. The home of Mrs. Morris was at 406 East Lee street. She was a Miss Bradshaw before her marriage and a sister of Mr. C. W. Bradshaw, of this city. Her husband, who is with the North State Milling Company, survives.

Mrs. McKernan Dies.—Mrs. James McKernan died yesterday morning at 10 o'clock at her home, 427 West Sycamore street, after an illness of a week. The deceased was 49 years old and had lived in Greensboro several years and came here from Sanford. The body was shipped to Sanford yesterday on the 7 o'clock train and the funeral will be held from Buffalo church, near that place, today. Surviving are her husband, two sons, J. E. and J. T. McKernan, and one sister, Mrs. J. M. Hooton, of Battle Ground.

Back From Long Trip.—Coroner G. L. Stansbury and family returned yesterday from an automobile trip to Chicago and Grand Rapids. They reported the entire trip a very pleasant one, and in all they drove through six different states. Mr. Stansbury said that one thing that was of interest, but not too pleasing, was the fact that it cost him in the neighborhood of \$10 Saturday to get by the numerous toll-gates in Virginia. The same thing was also experienced in the state of Maryland. Not a single mishap was registered against his car on the entire trip of over 2,000 miles.

Forsyth-Sharp.—Miss Margaret Forsyth was married to Mr. Julius H. Sharpe Saturday evening at 6 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Phoenix, on Summit avenue. Rev. Dr. E. C. Murray officiated in the presence of a few near relatives of the contracting parties. Mr. Sharpe is one of the county's most successful and substantial farmers and resides three miles southeast of town. His bride is the daughter of the late John Forsyth, of the Alamance neighborhood, and a sister of Mrs. J. J. Phoenix. The couple has been the recipient of the heartiest congratulations of friends.

Highway Committees Named.—The Greensboro Chamber of Commerce at a recent meeting appointed the following committee to urge the county commissioners to adopt a systematic, regular and consistent plan for the upkeep of the county roads; C. M. Vanstort, H. J. Thurman, R. C. Bernau, H. L. Coble, Garland Daniel, W. C. Boren, C. G. Wright, J. E. Latham, R. D. Douglas, R. C. Hood, Paul C. Lindley and J. J. Stone. The Retail Merchants' Association has appointed the following committee on the matter of the Greensboro High Point road: J. E. Latham, M. Robins, J. R. Oettinger and C. H. McKnight.

Invitations Are Sent.—Officers of the chambers of commerce and other State Normal and Industrial College are at work on the "Pan-American dinner" to be given at the State Normal and Industrial College August 4. Secretary McAdoo, of the treasury department, will be the chief speaker and it is hoped that Ambassador Naon will also be able to attend. Invitations were mailed last week to about one thousand people to attend the dinner. These are to the state's most prominent men. Officers of the Chamber of Commerce and other commercial organizations are given invitations especially. Besides the address of Secretary McAdoo, there will be five-minute speeches by a number of guests.

Arrested After Two Years.—Henry Sharpe, a negro wanted in Richmond for murder and for whom a \$50 reward is offered, was arrested Thursday night in that part of the city known as "Bull Pen," and will probably be carried back to Virginia in the next day or two. The crime for which he is wanted was committed more than two years ago. Owing to the good memory of ex-Policeman T. C. Bray he was recognized. Mr. Bray did not immediately arrest him, but returned to the police station and looked at the picture of Sharpe and the offer of the \$50 reward. Being thereby reassured, he went back to the house and found Sharpe still there. After being arrested, Sharpe admitted that he is the man wanted.

Increased Blockading.—Either the illicit manufacture of whiskey has increased since the passage of the Grier law or the force under Revenue Agent Chapman has been more diligent since that time, for the number of "moonshine" plants destroyed during May and June was considerably larger than in previous months. May was a record-breaker. In June the field men seized and destroyed 106 illicit distilleries in the Greensboro division. This does not include those destroyed by state and county officers alone. In some cases both state and federal officers had a hand in the destruction. Some of the stills were large ones. At one place 10,000 gallons and at another place 7,000 gallons of beer were poured out.

To Do More Double-Tracking.—Atlanta, Ga., July 15.—The Georgia railroad commission has authorized the issuance of \$3,500,000 bonds by the Southern Railway Company for the purpose of double-tracking its line between Spartanburg and Central, S. C., and New Holland and Cornelia, Ga. The distance between Spartanburg and Central is about 55 miles and between New Holland and Cornelia, about 31 miles.

GERMANS ARE ADVANCING

RUSSIAN FRONT IS AGAIN SUBJECT OF A SEVERE ONSLAUGHT.

The Russian front, reaching from the Baltic in the north to Bessarabia in the south, a distance of nearly a thousand miles, is being subjected to violent attacks by the Germans and Austrians, and in places has, according to the German official report, been pierced.

In the Baltic provinces General von Buelow, who is using large forces of cavalry, has crossed the Windau river and is moving toward Riga. In the Przasnysz district Field Marshal von Hindenburg, who is making his fourth attempt to reach Warsaw, has twice broken the Russian lines and compelled the defenders to retire toward the Narew river.

In southern Poland, after a period of inactivity, Field Marshal von Mackensen is again on the move, and claims to have captured some Russian advanced positions which stood between him and his objective, the Lublin-Cholm railway.

Simultaneously with these attacks, which are the main ones, the Austro-German armies are on the offensive west of the Vistula river, in central Poland, and along the Dneister river in Galicia. As was the case in the drive through western Galicia, the Russians are fighting stubbornly, and on occasions are turning and delivering vicious blows at their opponents. But whether they will be able to hold their present lines is problematical.

The probability of the Russians having to evacuate Warsaw, which is threatened by von Hindenburg in the north and von Mackensen in the south, is being seriously discussed. The probability of a further retreat, however, is being calmly considered in Russia, where the old theory that the further the enemy is drawn into the country the worse it is for him, bears up their hopes of final victory.

For the present Berlin is the only capital celebrating and again Field Marshal von Hindenburg, whose successes in the Przasnysz district is the cause of it, is being lauded.

Von Hindenburg in Poland.

Abandoning for the time their attempt to outflank Warsaw from the south, the Germans have renewed their attack on the Polish capital from the north. It is believed that the Germans are commanded by General Von Hindenburg, who is reported to have said recently that shortly he would astonish the world. Not only have the Germans captured many prisoners south of Kolno, according to Berlin, but have also occupied Przasnysz, a fortified town fifty miles north of Warsaw, which was taken by the Germans last winter, but was retaken by the Russians in a counter offensive.

The Russian official report admits German progress to some extent.

In France the Argonne region continues the scene of the hardest fighting, but official accounts of the French and Germans are contradictory as to results. However, it is plain that no great movement has been undertaken and no big change has occurred on the western battle line.

From Athens comes a report of a substantial Anglo-French advance against the Krithia-Achi Baba line at the Dardanelles, but since so many wild rumors have organized in the Grecian capital this is received with reserve.

The latest Paris communication counters the claims of German success in the Argonne region with the report that the French have set foot at several points in the German trenches on the road to Marie Therese, and are making progress in their attacks beyond the Servon road, west of the forest of Argonne.

On the eastern front nothing approaching a decisive action has been reported in a fortnight. The Germans, however, again are showing activity between the Nieman and the Vistula. Attacking in force there, they have advanced along one section from which the Russians retired to their second line.

All these signs point to a new German drive toward Warsaw from the east Prussian frontier, but military observers believe the Russians have sufficient forces to formidably oppose such an attempt.

It is estimated that the period of quiescence in southern Poland will be ended by Austro-German attack towards the river Bug.

CUNARD LINER ORDUNA

ATTACKED BY SUBMARINE.

The Cunard liner Orduna, from Liverpool, to New York, with 227 passengers, including 22 Americans, was attacked, without warning by a German submarine on the morning of July 9. It was learned on her arrival at New York Saturday.

Twenty miles from the graveyard of the Lusitania off Old Head of Kinsale, the Orduna escaped the Lusitania's fate by one-half a second of time or 10 feet of space, the German torpedo churning the water that distance behind the liner's rudder. Then the Orduna sped away.

She was followed by the submarine, which rose to the surface, manœuvred a gun and shelled the fleeing steamer. The attack was timed at 10 minutes to 6 o'clock in the morning when all but a few of her passengers were asleep. Aroused by stewards, the passengers dressed hurriedly and went to the upper deck, where they donned life belts and took their places at the lifeboats. They heard the scream of the shells and saw the ocean spit up columns of water where the missiles struck. When the fire grew hot they were ordered for their own protection, to the next deck below.

For half an hour the Orduna showed her heels to the assailant. Through marine glasses the passengers watched the low lying German warship coming on, but the Orduna's fight was faster than the pursuit and after seven shots had been fired without effect the submarine gave up the chase.

A wireless call for help was sent out by the Orduna when the torpedo was seen. She was then 37 miles south of Queenstown. The reply, Captain Taylor says in his official report, was that help would be given within an hour. It was four hours before the first British vessel, a small armored yacht, the Jeannette, appeared.

MR. EDWARD LATHAM

HAS INTERESTING TRIP.

Mr. Edward Latham, who went abroad in the interest of his father's cotton concern, J. E. Latham & Co., several months ago, has returned to the city after a visit to practically all of the warring nations. He says that the lack of cotton in the German ports has not been exaggerated in the slightest. Bremen, where Mr. Latham was located for some time, is probably the chief sufferer. This city was the annual gateway for 2,000,000 bales of cotton, and sometimes the imports amounted to nearly 4,000,000 bales annually. Mr. Latham thinks that less than 1,000 bales were in this port, although 30 cents a pound is offered.

Among the countries visited by Mr. Latham were Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Holland and Germany. While in Bremen he made trips out to Austria and Italy. He saw the Teutons at first hand and the country is far from being ravaged by war and not a bit pessimistic as to the outcome. Some times when soldiers are being transported from the eastern to western fronts, or vice versa, troop trains pass as often as every two minutes. Everything is done with the efficiency that is claimed for Germany by its friends.

"FETE IN SUMMERLAND"

GIVEN AT NORMAL COLLEGE.

"A Fete in Summerland" was given at the State Normal and Industrial College Friday night as one of the features of the summer school. This was arranged by the department of physical education and the program was most attractive. There was a large attendance of students and people of the city. The following interpretive dances were given: Daisies—First Heart Throbs, Ellenberg.

Butterflies—Loin du Bal, Elliot. Popples—Scarf Dance, Chaminade. Birds—Pizzicati, Delibes. Roses—Blue Danube Waltz, Strauss.

Spirit of Summer—Health, life and joy; Valse Brillant, Moszkowski. Finale—Humoresque, Dvorak. It will be observed that strict neutrality or impartiality was observed in the arrangement of the program, as numbers were taken from nations on both sides of the European conflict.

Mr. S. Fuller Smith, of the Southern Real Estate Company, is confined at St. Leo's hospital with a severe case of typhoid fever.

GIRLS' CANNING CLUBS

ARE HOLDING MEETINGS.

Girls' canning clubs in Guilford county are holding meetings preparatory to the work of canning which will soon begin. These meetings are by no means the least important feature of the organizations. They are usually devoted to practical discussions of the canning business.

The Jamestown club met Thursday evening with Mrs. Lucy Vickery. It was then decided to have instead of an ice cream party July 21 a candy party to be held later. Mrs. Vickery served refreshments. Miss Grace Shaeffer, the county canning club agent, was present.

The Guilford College club met with Miss Mary Huffines Tuesday afternoon. This club will give an ice cream party next Saturday evening. The proceeds will be used to help pay for the canners.

The Bessemer and McLeansville clubs met at Dick's mill last Wednesday.

Miss Grace Shaeffer, who has charge of the tomato clubs in Guilford county, expects to sell all the vegetables canned by the girls in the clubs this year, and by so doing keep all the money from the sales in Guilford county. She is planning further to have some beautiful window displays of the canned goods in some of the leading grocery stores of High Point and Greensboro, showing what the girls of Guilford county can do. Miss Shaeffer has arranged to give a series of demonstrations in "Conveniences for Farm Homes" some time in August.

Several of the girls now have fresh tomatoes for sale. Miss Shaeffer says that the tomatoes that are being grown by the members of the various clubs are of the very finest variety and are large and sound. A sample of the tomatoes can be seen in the windows at the Chamber of Commerce.

PRESIDENT WILSON IS

BACK IN WASHINGTON.

President Woodrow Wilson yesterday brought to a close the longest and most strenuous vacation he has had since entering the White House. He left Cornish, N. H., yesterday afternoon and arrived in Washington early this morning prepared to give immediate consideration to the German situation and other problems.

President Wilson brings back with him to Washington the results of a careful and detailed study of the last German note on submarine warfare, for discussion with Secretary Lansing and other members of his cabinet.

Despite the fact that no details of the president's return trip were given out in advance, he was greeted by large crowds at every stop. At several places he stepped out on the rear platform of his private car and shook hands with as many people as time permitted.

Virtually all the people of Cornish and Windsor, Vermont, saw this distinguished summer neighbor off from the "summer capital." He waved his hand and took off his hat to the assembled crowds as they applauded him.

THREE ARRESTS FOR

RETAILING LAST SATURDAY.

George Howell was before Squire J. B. Minor Saturday on the charge of retailing. Howell was arrested Saturday and when arrested had a suit case full of whiskey in his possession. He claimed, however, to have sold only four pints before the officers broke up his sales. He was bound over to the September term of Superior court and bond was fixed at \$200. He was unable to raise the required bond and was committed to jail.

Shortly after Howell was arrested, members of the sheriff's office force found Levi Reeves in the same vicinity, near Armfield's store on the High Point road, and he was placed in jail to await a hearing on a charge of retailing.

In the afternoon there were more rumors of retailing in that immediate vicinity and Sheriff Stafford and two deputies went out and got a man named Spencer. The sheriff stated that his man was making preparations to leave the country when caught. He had only one quart of spirits left, and the officers confiscated this. He was placed in jail and will be given a hearing today.

Mrs. W. P. Bennett is visiting relatives in South Carolina.