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## LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF FORM

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

**Revival Services.**—A revival meeting at the First Christian church was begun yesterday and will be continued through the week.

**Membership Campaign.**—A campaign to secure new members and the renewal of old memberships in the local Y. W. C. A. was begun this morning and will continue for three days.

**Undergoes Operation.**—Mrs. J. D. Cobb, of Gibsonville, is a patient at St. Leo's hospital, where she underwent an operation Thursday afternoon. Her condition is reported as favorable.

**To Meet in Greensboro.**—The Epworth League convention of the Western North Carolina Conference, which met in Spencer last week, adjourned Saturday afternoon to meet next year in Greensboro.

**Death of Boy.**—John Odell Preddy, the eight-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Preddy, of Pomona, died Thursday afternoon. The funeral and interment took place Friday afternoon at Bethel church.

**Improving.**—Mrs. R. W. Reynolds, who has been ill for some time at her home southwest of the city, is improving. Mr. Reynolds, who has been suffering from an attack of tonsillitis, is also improving.

**Holt-Webster.**—Mr. Charlie Holt and Miss Leona Webster, both of High Point, were married yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of Rev. V. R. Stickley, on Greensboro Route 3. Mr. Stickley performed the ceremony.

**To Teach Spanish.**—A class in Spanish will be taught at the Greensboro Young Men's Christian Association during the fall and winter. Mrs. J. J. Thompson, teacher of Spanish in the Greensboro high school, will conduct the class, which will begin work October 1.

**J. G. Bradshaw Dead.**—Mr. James G. Bradshaw, the father of Mr. C. W. Bradshaw, of this city, and Mrs. W. J. Jennings, of Gibsonville, died rather suddenly Thursday afternoon at his home at Mebane. He had been in poor health, but his death at this time was not expected.

**Work Begun.**—The work of building two miles of concrete and asphalt highway out of High Point in the direction of Greensboro was begun last week and is proceeding very satisfactorily. With continued good weather, the work will probably be completed in about 30 days.

**Circus Pleased.**—Robinson's circus, which exhibited here Friday, attracted a large number of visitors to the city and seemed to please the crowds of people who attended the two performances. The circus is not one of the largest on the road, but it is pronounced a very good show.

**T. P. A. Meeting.**—A meeting of the directors of the North Carolina division of the Travelers' Protective Association was held in this city Saturday night. Reports submitted by the officers showed the association in this state to be in a healthy and prosperous condition. At present there are 17 active posts in the state and three additional posts are to be organized this fall.

**Death at Hospital.**—Mrs. Virginia Anderson, of Alamance county, died at midnight Friday night at St. Leo's hospital, where she had been a patient for some time. She came to the hospital for surgical treatment and later suffered an attack of paralysis, which resulted in her death. The body, accompanied by a son, Mr. R. W. Anderson, of Altamahaw, was carried to the family home Saturday. The funeral and interment took place at Concord church Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Anderson was 65 years old.

**The Tax Increase.**—Nothing has been heard from the corporation commission in reference to the protest against the 10 per cent increase of the assessed valuation of real estate in this county, and it is no secret to say that the officials are not expecting the commission to make any change in the order directing the increase. In fact, so firmly convinced are they that the 10 per cent increase will stand that the auditor's office has begun the task of making the necessary changes in the tax books. The corporation commission has denied petitions for reductions in Forsyth, Rowan, Mecklenburg and other counties in which increased assessments were ordered.

**Mrs. J. W. Curtis Dead.**—Mrs. John W. Curtis, a well known and popular woman of Liberty, died at her home Thursday afternoon, following an illness of about nine hours. She was 34 years old and is survived by her husband, four young children, her parents, a brother and a sister. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Jones, of the Gray's chapel community.

**New Officers.**—At a meeting of the directors of the North Carolina Children's Home Society in this city a few days ago Mr. A. M. Scales was elected president to succeed Gen. J. S. Carr, of Durham, who resigned the position. Mr. L. H. Putnam, who has been interested in work for helpless children in the South for a number of years, has been elected superintendent of the society. He will reside in Greensboro.

**Company Chartered.**—The secretary of state has chartered the J. M. Reece Publishing Company for the purpose of publishing the Greensboro Daily Record and doing a general printing business. The company has a subscribed capital of \$20,500 and the incorporators are Mrs. Alice M. Reece, Mrs. Sue Reece Williams and Dr. J. A. Williams. The incorporation is in consequence of the recent death of Mr. J. M. Reece, editor and publisher of the Record.

**Installing Machinery.**—The work of installing machinery in the addition to the Revolution cotton mills has begun today. Only a part of the new equipment will be put in at the present time, the installation of the remainder being deferred until next spring and summer. The new equipment will include 40,000 spindles and 1,100 looms, with a full complement of other machinery. The investment represented in this big addition to the Revolution plant will total over \$1,000,000.

**Seriously Wounded.**—Wilkie Colie, a young white boy residing a short distance west of the city, was shot and dangerously wounded Friday afternoon by Norman Tuttle, a companion on a bird hunt. A load of shot from Tuttle's gun struck Colie in both legs and inflicted wounds of such a serious nature that amputation of the limbs may be found necessary. The shooting is said to have been an accident, though a report that it was an overt act on the part of Tuttle caused the police officers to make an investigation.

**New Hospital.**—The new hospital erected by Drs. W. P. and C. R. Reaves on West Sycamore street, adjoining the Elks Club, has been completed, with the exception of a little painting and decorating, and will be occupied soon. The building is three stories in height, with a basement. The owners will have their offices and reception rooms on the first floor and the third floor will be given over to an infirmary for white patients. The second floor and a portion of the first will be rented for offices. The basement is designed for the treatment of colored patients.

**Death of Miss Moody.**—Miss Letitia Moody, who for a number of years made her home with Mrs. Nancy Brown, on North Elm street, died yesterday morning in Raleigh, where for the past several years she had resided with the family of Mr. R. M. Albright. She had been seriously ill for a week or more. The body was brought to Greensboro last evening and carried to the residence of Mr. S. L. Gilmer, where the funeral was held this morning at 11 o'clock, followed by interment in Greene Hill cemetery. Rev. J. Clyde Turner, of the First Baptist church, conducted the services. Miss Moody was 76 years old.

**Freed Like Harry Thaw.**—Meridian, Miss., Sept. 25.—Charles R. Smith, who several years ago at Artesia, Miss., shot and killed Eugene Laurent, a widely-known Nashville, Tenn., traveling man, and whose trial on a charge of murder attracted attention throughout the country because of the part national organizations of traveling men are said to have taken in the prosecution, was adjudged sane here and ordered released from the East Mississippi insane asylum. Smith killed Laurent while laboring under a delusion that Laurent had wronged a member of his family. During the trial the innocence of Laurent was established and Smith was given a life sentence, but the governor of Mississippi later pardoned the prisoner on condition that he be committed to an insane asylum.

Mr. Glenn Garrett, of Julian Route 1, was a caller at the office today.

## CRIMINAL COURT ADJOURNS

### COUNTY ROAD FORCE RECEIVES MANY RECRUITS FROM WEEK'S TERM.

The September criminal term of Guilford Superior court adjourned Saturday afternoon, much work having been accomplished during the week. The county road force was strengthened by the addition of many recruits, both white and black, most of the prisoners being sentenced for retailing.

This morning Judge Shaw convened a week's civil term of court. The next criminal term will be held in December.

Before adjourning court Saturday afternoon Judge Shaw imposed the following road sentences in retailing cases: John Huntley, colored, eight months; Ernest Turley, colored, four months; Will Weiss, colored, five months.

Allice Wagoner, colored, was sent to the work house four months for retailing.

John Wade, the famous High Point blind tiger, who was captured in the act of delivering liquor from his automobile to several tigers near this city one night a few weeks ago, entered a plea of guilty to the charge of having whiskey in his possession for sale. Judge Shaw gave him a sentence of 12 months on the county roads. Through counsel, Wade begged to be allowed to pay a fine and leave the state in lieu of becoming a road hand; the court was of the opinion that such an arrangement would not serve to stop Wade from selling liquor and declined to change the sentence.

Wade's automobile, which was confiscated when he was arrested, and a bond of \$500 he had given at a previous term of court as a guarantee that he would sell no more liquor, were declared forfeited. The automobile will be sold by the sheriff and the proceeds, together with the bond money, will go to enrich the school fund.

F. F. Tipton, who committed an assault on Mr. Michael Schenck, of Hendersonville, at the last Fourth of July celebration at Guilford Battle Ground, being fined \$25 and costs in a magistrate's court, was convicted of the charge of a simple assault upon Mrs. Schenck. It was in evidence that he struck Mrs. Schenck in attempting to reach her husband. Judge Shaw fined Tipton \$300 and costs.

Walter Murray, a white man, was found guilty of breaking and entering and sentenced to the roads for two years.

T. R. Turner, white, was given a sentence of eight months on the roads for retailing.

### Report of Grand Jury.

The grand jury filed its report and was discharged Friday. The report was as follows: "We, the grand jury for the September term, 1915, of criminal court for Guilford county, North Carolina, beg leave to submit to this court the following as report of our actions and proceedings:

"We passed on 42 bills, finding 39 of them true bills and three not true bills.

"Pursuant to your honor's instructions, we visited the various county institutions, including the convict camps and the offices in the court house, and report them as a whole to be in good condition.

"At the county home we found 38 inmates and surrounding conditions favorable. The stock at the home appeared to be in good condition and well kept.

"At the work house there are 25 inmates. The house and grounds are in good condition, the prisoners apparently well cared for and sufficient provisions on hand for their upkeep.

"We visited the county jail and consider it to be in good condition. We would suggest, however, that new iron bars replace a number of old ones that have been formerly cut and repaired. Also, that a brick wall, laid on cement mortar, be built around the jail to take the place of the present wooden fence.

"The convict camps were visited by this body and they are all in very good condition. The equipment, mules and convicts appear to be in first-class shape and well cared for.

condition. The records in the offices of register of deeds and clerk of the court are properly kept, with proper entries and indexes, and the other offices appear to be properly conducted."

## REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS OF THE PAST FEW DAYS.

Deeds for the transfer of the following pieces of real estate have been filed in the office of the register of deeds during the past few days:

Dr. J. S. Betts to J. E. Latham, a lot on Park drive, in the city of Greensboro, 107.3 by 271.2 feet, for a consideration of \$5,000.

C. E. Fugh to E. F. Elwell, lots 16 and 17 in section 2 of the plot known and designated as Thomas Grove, Morehead township, \$10 and other valuable considerations.

J. Goldstein and wife to W. O. Lee, a tract consisting of 16 acres and 63 poles in Bruce township, \$416.66.

C. W. Jennings to O. T. Leonard, a lot 45 by 150 feet on Dairy street, in the city of Greensboro, Morehead township, \$200.

Nathan W. Bales to John O. Bales, two tracts in Jamestown township, one consisting of 1.7 acres and the other of 3 1-2 acres, for a combined consideration of \$300.

F. F. Wrenn to Claude Ross and wife, a lot 45 by 160 feet on Furlough street, in the city of High Point, \$47.

C. A. Groome and others to Catherine Cromwell, a tract consisting of 10 acres in Morehead township, \$250.

Frank Farrington to J. W. Allred, a lot 100 by 250 feet on Pine street, in the city of Greensboro, \$10 and other valuable considerations.

The Real Estate and Trust Company to W. G. Balsley, a lot 60 by 125 feet on the Freeman mill road, near the city of Greensboro, Morehead township, \$10 and other valuable considerations.

J. R. Pitts to Florence Ada Lee, a lot 63 by 230 feet on West Lee street, in the city of Greensboro, \$2,800.

Charles M. King and Ella King to Rema M. King, a lot 60 by 140.8 feet on Schenck street, in the city of Greensboro, \$10 and other valuable considerations.

Bascom Hoskins and wife to Julius C. Smith, lot 15 in Parkway, in the city of High Point, \$800.

A. Schiffman and wife to D. L. Welborn, a lot 50 by 130 feet on the McConnell road, Gilmer township, \$487.50.

## ROBBERS TAKE \$656 FROM STORE IN GIBSONVILLE.

During the early hours of yesterday morning the store of Mr. H. F. Huffines, a merchant of Gibsonville, was entered by burglars and the safe robbed of \$656 in cash. The robbers, who appear to have been experienced hands at the business, blew open the safe with explosives. A number of checks in the safe were left unmolested, the thieves apparently being intent only on securing cash.

The robbers also entered the Gibsonville postoffice, but found no safe there and bothered nothing.

Sheriff Stafford was notified of the robbery and went to Gibsonville yesterday morning. A diligent but unsuccessful search was made for some clue that might result in the capture of the thieves.

Several attempted robberies have been reported from Gibsonville recently, and it is thought that probably the thieves who operated so successfully yesterday morning are the same ones who have been hanging around the town.

## Assault Hearing Postponed.

The case charging five young men of Danville, Va., with an assault with a deadly weapon upon Miss Minnie Lambeth, of Brown Summit, on Saturday afternoon, September 19, which was to have come up before Squire Collins Saturday afternoon on a postponed hearing, was further postponed until Wednesday afternoon of this week. The defendants—W. M. Sneed, R. A. Benton, A. C. Erpes, J. H. Osborne and E. P. Melton—did not appear, but were represented by counsel. The young men are keeping out of Guilford county and the state through fear of being taken in arrest and bail proceedings in a civil action for damages, and it is not expected that they will be here for trial Wednesday unless some settlement of the case is reached in the meantime.

## GREAT VICTORY FOR ALLIES

### CAPTURE 20 MILES OF GERMAN TRENCHES AND MORE THAN 20,000 PRISONERS.

German trenches along a front of twenty miles between the Belgian coast and Verdun and more than 20,000 unwounded prisoners, besides 32 field guns and many machine guns, have been captured by the British and French armies in the first offensive movement on the western front in months. The allied drive began Saturday morning and the fighting continues.

The offensive followed several weeks almost incessant bombardment of German positions with big guns, which late last week increased in intensity, particularly in the sectors where the infantry attacks took place. Simultaneously, with the drive of the armies, British warships and French and Belgian batteries heavily bombarded the German positions on the coast between Zeebrugge and Neuport.

The French, who have the most important gains to their credit, made their chief onset against the German lines around Perthes, Beusejour and Sulpes in Champagne, where in December they made a considerable gain of ground and also north of Arras, where Souchez was stormed and captured.

The French communication says the allied forces continue to gain ground in Champagne. With the advance thus recorded, this offensive, has given the French possession of more territory than they had retaken from the Germans since the latter dug themselves in after the battle of the Marne.

According to the French account, the Germans were driven out of their trenches over a front of more than fifteen miles, varying in depth from two-thirds of a mile to two and a half miles. The French in this engagement captured twelve thousand prisoners. Apparently the advantage is being pressed still further, as the French communication makes only the briefest mention of the operation.

The importance of this gain lies in the fact that every yard of ground taken in this region weakens the German position around Verdun, from which the Germans might be compelled to retire should the French succeed in making any further advance.

The French also have stormed and captured Souchez and trenches east of the "Labyrinth" in the Arras district, which was the scene of much heavy fighting earlier in the year. There the Germans had built what they considered almost impregnable fortifications.

This attack was made in co-operation with the British, who attacked on either side of LaBasse canal. The attack to the south of the canal was, Field Marshal Sir John French reports, a complete success. Trenches five miles in width and about four thousand yards in depth, were taken.

This push forward gives the British possession of the road from Lens to LaBasse, which was caused by the Germans for moving troops and supplies north and south, and threatens to outflank the German troops which hold the town of Lens.

North of the canal the British, although they fought all day Saturday, were unable to hold the ground gained and had to fall back to the trenches, which they had left in the morning. The attack, however, accomplished one purpose, as according to Field Marshal French, German reserves were sent to check this move, thus giving the British south of the canal an opportunity to consolidate their new positions unmolested.

## Says Business is Picking Up.

F. A. Delano, vice governor of the federal reserve board, has returned to Washington from a trip through the Panama canal and across the continent convinced that conditions generally show marked improvement. "Business," he said, "is picking up and that is true everywhere except in the farming country of the West. The farmer seems to think he can get \$1.25 again this year for his wheat. He can't, but he's holding it just the same. The fact that money is easy makes it easier for him to hold his crop for higher prices and I'm afraid he will get fooled."

Delano said signs of increased prosperity were noticeable from the Pacific coast all the way eastward, and that war orders, more buying by railroads and other factors were responsible.

## WILLIAM J. BRYAN WILL SPEAK HERE OCTOBER 8.

William J. Bryan has an engagement to speak in Greensboro Friday night, October 8. His address will be delivered in the Grand opera house and will be under the auspices of the Young Men's Christian Association. It is understood that he will discuss the general subject of war and peace, upon which he has been lecturing since his resignation from President Wilson's cabinet several months ago.

The coming of Mr. Bryan is expected to attract people to Greensboro from all sections of the state, and as has been the case on the occasion of his previous visits to this city, the size of his audience will doubtless be limited only by the capacity of the auditorium.

The admirers of Mr. Bryan have Mr. A. L. Brooks to thank for the privilege of hearing the great Nebraskan in Greensboro at this time. Mr. Brooks, whose admiration of and belief in Mr. Bryan has grown stronger with the passing years, wrote him recently asking if he could visit Greensboro during the fall. Friday he received a letter from Mr. Bryan stating that he had an open date for the night of October 8 and would be glad to speak in Greensboro at that time. Arrangements were made at once to have the late secretary of state appear here under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A.

While in the city Mr. Bryan will be entertained in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Brooks.

## Effort to Upset Income Tax Law.

An attack on the constitutionality of the federal income tax law is contained in a brief filed with the United States Supreme court in the case of Frank R. Brushaber, a stockholder, against the Union Pacific Railroad.

The appeal, which is taken by Brushaber from a decision of the Federal court for the southern district of New York, is one of a group of cases to be argued before the Supreme court to test the income tax law. It seeks to enjoin the railroad from complying with the provision of the act.

Although five points are raised against the validity of the law, principal stress is laid on the charge that it is unjustly discriminatory between individuals and corporations; that it aims at seizure of property without due process of law and that without constitutional authority it aims at retroactive operation in requiring the payment of the tax on incomes derived prior to October 3, 1913, the date when the act went into effect.

## Bull Moose Legally Dead.

Trenton, N. J., Sept. 23.—"I hate like the dickens to be the man to sign the death warrant of the Progressive party," it seems like committing murder," was the comment today of Supreme Court Justice Black as he signed an order restraining the clerks of municipalities in Atlantic county from delivering ballots of the party to the election boards. The application was made by Burton A. Gaskill, deputy county clerk of Atlantic, representing County Clerk Parker. Gaskill contended that at the last general election the Progressives did not cast 5 per cent of the total vote cast in the county, as the law requires to give them official ballots. Their vote was only 667 in a total of more than 3,000.

## Undecided as to Special Session.

A Washington dispatch says that President Wilson has not yet reached a decision on the question of a special session of the senate to consider the Colombian and Nicaraguan treaties and the proposition to modify the rules of the senate so as to provide some sort of cloture. Senator Overman, of North Carolina, chairman of the senate committee on rules, said that he believed the president would call a special session of the senate for some time in November. The statement that the president had definitely fixed upon October 18 for the meeting of the senate was denied at the White House.

## \$190,515 For Demonstration Work.

The money that North Carolina will get under the Smith-Lever act from the federal government for farm demonstration work amounts to \$32,953 for next year, and in addition the state will put up \$32,953. From all sources, state and federal, including other donations not included in the Smith-Lever act, the state will have \$190,515 for demonstration work.