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

Blood Poison.—Dr. W. J. Meadows is suffering from a severe case of blood poisoning in one of his hands and is a patient at St. Leo's hospital.

Two Sermons.—Rev. S. M. Rankin, of this city, preached in the Lutheran church at Gibsonville yesterday morning and at Whitsett Institute last evening.

Hackney-Vaughn.—Mr. Daniel Hackney and Miss Ella Vaughn were married Thursday afternoon at the proximity Baptist parsonage. Rev. R. R. Gordon was the officiating minister.

Coming Home.—Mr. J. A. Davidson, who has been in a hospital in Baltimore several weeks for treatment, continues to improve. He has been walking around for the past week and expects to return home in a few days.

Negro Teachers Meet.—The colored teachers of the county held a meeting Saturday in the court house annex. Reports submitted showed that 368 adult illiterates of the race are enrolled in moonlight schools of the county outside of Greensboro.

Federal Court.—The December term of United States District court will convene here next Monday, thought it is not expected that any cases will be called before Tuesday. The term will be one of the most important held here in some time.

Correspondents.—The Patriot wants an intelligent and reliable person in every community in the territory covered by the paper to serve as correspondent. If we haven't a good correspondent in your neighborhood and you are willing to take up the work, let us hear from you.

Glass-Hooks Marriage.—Mr. John H. Glass, of this city, and Miss Daisy Barnhardt Hooks, of Wadesboro, were married Thursday evening at 7 o'clock. The ceremony took place at the parsonage of the Asheboro Street Friends church and was performed by Rev. F. E. Smith, the pastor.

Barbecue and Hunt.—A number of Greensboro men were guests at a big rabbit hunt and barbecue at Mr. J. B. Cobb's place, on the High Point road, Saturday. The occasion was a most enjoyable one in every particular. Deputy Sheriff John Weatherly prepared and served the barbecue.

Takes New Work.—Rev. D. C. Cox, pastor of the Burlington Reformed church, and who is well known to many readers of The Patriot in Guilford and Alamance, has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Emmanuel charge, in Davidson county. The work has three churches—Zion, Calvary and Emmanuel. Mr. Cox will make his home in Thomasville.

Blue-Way.—Mr. Jack Blue and Miss Mamie Way, both of this city, were married in High Point Thursday afternoon, the ceremony being performed by Rev. A. W. Claxon. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Way, who reside on West Lee street. Mr. Blue is a native of Massachusetts and has made his home in this city for the past 18 months.

Improved Milk.—Dr. W. A. Hornaday, the meat and milk inspector, Saturday filed with the city commissioners a report of an examination he had just completed of the Greensboro dairies. The report shows a steady improvement in the quality of the milk being sold in the city. The report covers 18 dairies selling sweet milk and two that sell buttermilk.

Gen. Greene's Portrait.—A splendid portrait of Gen. Nathaniel Greene, painted by Miss Isabella Greene, a descendant of the Revolutionary general, will be presented to the Greensboro library in a few days. The portrait is now on display at the Art Shop, and has been placed in a splendid frame. General Greene was the hero of the battle of Guilford Court House and for him Greensboro was named. The portrait was made from what is considered an excellent picture of the general.

Resigns Pastorate.—Rev. J. E. Shenk yesterday resigned the pastorate of the First Lutheran church of this city, feeling forced to take this step on account of continued ill health. He has been confined to his home by illness for several weeks and was unable to appear before his congregation yesterday, sending his resignation by letter. Mr. Shenk has been pastor of the Lutheran congregation a little over five years, during which time, a handsome church has been built and the membership increased considerably.

TWO REVENUE OFFICERS SHOT

MOUNTAIN BLOCKADERS FIRE UPON DEPUTIES AFTER SUCCESSFUL RAID.

Asheville, Nov. 26.—J. A. Galloway, deputy collector of internal revenue, probably was shot fatally, and Luther Owen was wounded shortly after midnight last night when they were ambushed in Jackson county, near Wolf mountain, after a successful raid, in which two illicit distilleries were destroyed. The wounded men were brought to Asheville today and possess with bloodhounds are seeking the mountaineers who did the shooting. They are believed to have escaped toward the South Carolina line.

Mr. Galloway and Mr. Owen started on the raid near Wolf mountain the night before Thanksgiving and succeeded in locating two illicit stills. They destroyed the two moonshine plants and were returning toward the railroad on horseback when some one fired from ambush with a shotgun. A large number of the buckshot, with which the weapon was loaded, struck Mr. Galloway and a few struck Mr. Owen. One of the shots penetrated Mr. Galloway's right eye.

At the time of the shooting the officers were eight miles north of Lake Toxaway, the closest railroad station, and Mr. Galloway, despite his injuries, was forced to make the trip on horseback to this place. He arrived there this morning and immediately sent a wire asking for help. In the meantime, he had secured medical attention at Lake Toxaway and was later brought here, where his condition is reported as critical.

Deputy Collector Cabe, Marshal Gardner and a number of other officers went at once to Toxaway and struck out through the mountains to aid if possible in the capture of the moonshiners. They were joined by officers from Greenville, S. C., and other points along the way and a brace of bloodhounds secured. They formed posses and scattered in every direction, it being reported that the moonshiners had fled toward South Carolina. Wolf mountain is far from telephone or telegraph and no report as to the success of the expedition could be obtained tonight.

Automobile Accident.—Robert Bolton, an employe of the city, was run over and painfully injured shortly before midnight Friday night by an automobile driven by W. J. Halladay. The accident occurred at the corner of South Elm and East Washington streets and is said to have been unavoidable. The injured man was carried to his home near Guilford Battle Ground Saturday.

Belgian Visitor Here.—Rev. Dr. Henri Anet, of Belgium, who is in the United States as a special representative of the Protestant denominations of Belgium and France, was a visitor to Greensboro Friday and Saturday. He is making a tour of the country and attending the meetings of many denominational bodies. He talks interestingly and pathetically of the invasion of his native land.

Still Confined Here.—Carl Pike, the insane slayer of Thomas Paschall, still occupies a cell in the Guilford jail and the county officers have no idea how long he may remain on their hands. There seems to be a hitch somewhere in the arrangements to have him received into the criminal insane department of the state prison. The county attorney is investigating the legal status of the case.

Preachers Moving.—Rev. W. O. Goode, who was transferred from the pastorate of Spring Garden Street Methodist church, this city, to the Thomasville station at the recent session of the Western North Carolina Conference, will move his family to Thomasville tomorrow. Rev. Z. E. Barnhardt, the new pastor of Spring Garden Street church, will move to this city from Lenoir Wednesday or Thursday.

Blockade Still.—Deputy Marshal Kennett and Special Officer Johnson drove into town Saturday afternoon with a 25-gallon blockade still which they had captured across the line in Randolph county. The blockaders were warned of the approach of the officers in time to put out the fire and move the still to a place of supposed safety under a thick growth of honeysuckle vines. The officers found the still after a diligent search, but were not able to make any arrests.

NORTH CAROLINIAN KILLED

TWO TAR HEEL SOLDIERS SHOT IN FIGHT WITH MEXICAN TROOPERS FRIDAY.

Two North Carolina soldiers—Stephen Littles, of Fairmont, Robeson county, and Herbert L. Cates, of Swepsonville, Alamance county—were shot Friday in a fight with Villa troops on the Mexican border at Nogales, Ariz. Littles, who was 23 years old and had been in the army nearly two years, was shot through the head and died in a few hours. Cates, who is 23 years old and serving his second term of enlistment, was shot through the abdomen and is not expected to live.

A third American soldier—Arthur L. Saupé, 19 years old, of Vernon, Ind.—was hot and wounded in the right foot.

Five Mexicans, including a woman, also were wounded. Whether any were killed was undetermined. A Carranza courier, sent to apprise Col. W. H. Sage, commanding the American troops, of the routing of the Villa forces, was shot off his horse. He was brought to the American side of the line.

The firing across the border began shortly before noon, when Villa troops who, with their chieftain, had evacuated the town early in the day, were hotly engaged by the Obregon forces some 12 miles south of Nogales, Sonora.

The Mexican town had been looted and the shooting began early in the day. A shower of bullets fell on the American side. Thongs which had gathered on the street leading to Nogales, Sonora, and the thoroughfare marking the international boundary were hurried back by United States soldiers.

Then a party of snipers opened fire on the American town. Colonel Sage had given orders that the American troops should return any fire that endangered American lives. Infantrymen stationed near the line opened on the snipers and a number of Mexicans were seen to fall.

A detachment of Villa cavalry then was seen dashing over the hills southwest of Nogales, Sonora. They were shooting and dodging and seeking cover. The American soldiers replied to their fire, shooting deliberately and apparently with sufficient effect to halt the Mexicans.

The snipers posted in the looted town gradually stopped firing.

It developed later that the shooting across the border began when a Villa soldier picked a quarrel with a woman on the main street of the Mexican town. The woman tried to take the soldier's rifle away from him, but, eluding her, he turned and fired into a crowd of American soldiers stationed on the boundary line 50 yards away. A moment later bullets from the weapons of snipers began to fly over the line.

The American infantrymen replied. They were ordered, however, to endanger no Mexican who was not actually firing at them.

The population of the American town watched the exchange from the roofs of houses and from the hills to the north of the town.

Ran Away From Home to Join Army.

Herbert L. Cates, one of the American soldiers injured in the firing across the Mexican border Friday, is a son of H. M. Cates, of Swepsonville. He ran away from home and joined the army in 1912, and when his term of enlistment expired about two months ago he re-enlisted.

A late report from Nogales, Ariz., says the condition of young Cates is improved and his recovery appears probable.

Tobacco Prices Higher.

Farmers who have sold tobacco on the Greensboro market during the past few days have been well pleased with prices on all grades. Inquiry at both the Farmers' and the Center Brick warehouses Saturday afternoon elicited the information that sales had been very satisfactory, and farmers in The Patriot office during the day made similar statements. It is stated that tobacco is selling higher now than it has sold at any time since 1913, when the crop was fine and prices unusually high.

It is believed that more than half the crop in this section has been sold, and should prices remain satisfactory it is probable that very little tobacco will be left in the hands of the farmers after Christmas.

INDICTMENTS ARE EXPECTED

BLAME PLACED FOR RAILROAD WRECK IN SALISBURY LAST WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

The coroner's jury which investigated the circumstances of the death of H. C. Seyers and C. E. Hall, both of Charlotte, who lost their lives in the railroad wreck in Salisbury last Wednesday night, returned a verdict Saturday afternoon placing the blame for the accident on three employes of the Southern Railway. The verdict was as follows:

"That C. E. Hall and H. C. Seyers came to their death by being killed in a wreck on the Southern Railway in the Salisbury yard on November 24, 1915, on second No. 32.

"First, that Clyde Wilson, a flagman, was grossly negligent in failing to display the proper signals to protect his train second No. 32, against train No. 38.

"Second, that A. Tankersly, engineer on train No. 38, was negligent in disregarding signals at block and not bringing his train under control as per rules of the railway company.

"Third, that Arthur Kelly, fireman, was guilty of contributory negligence in failing to observe and notify the engineer of the displayed signals on rear of train second No. 32."

The Rowan county grand jury will be in session this week, and it is probable that the three men above named may be indicted for manslaughter.

The first witness was E. R. Rector, train dispatcher of the Charlotte division, who testified as to the time trains moved between Charlotte and Salisbury the night of the wreck.

C. O. Ottenburg, signal and electrical maintainer of the Charlotte division, testified that he made weekly and daily inspections of block signals; that on the day of the wreck the signal post under discussion was all right and the signal arms in correct position when he arrived just after the wreck. There were two signal arms on this particular post and they were set: the red above and the green below, indicating obstructed track and the mainline switch open leading to the passenger station; the engineer seeing this should proceed cautiously as under obstructed block. The signal was 603 feet from the wreck.

Engineer Tankersly, of No. 38, stated that he left Charlotte at 8.32, passed China Grove at 9.24, one minute late. As soon as he could get light after the crash he saw it was 9.38. There is a down grade for two miles and his rate of speed before seeing the signal light was 40 miles an hour, this was reduced to 15 when passing the signals and to eight or 10 when he saw the rear of the special train, about 50 feet ahead.

"I could not stop in length of vision at that time," he said, "but had ample time to stop at the cross-over where I expected to get the signal. I saw the flagman at the same time I saw the rear of the special."

Asked what caused the wreck, Tankersly replied that in his judgment it was due to "improper flagging." A fusee on the rear of the train would have been sufficient. This was the first time he ever caught a train without a flag out.

Arthur Kelly, negro fireman on 38, said the train was running six or eight miles an hour when the crash came. He and the engineer saw the train ahead at the same time.

Conductor Laird, of second No. 32, said his train stopped at 9.29 or 9.30 just south of the cross-over switch and had been standing there six or seven minutes. His flagman was 300 or 400 feet from the rear of the train when the crash came, the conductor was standing just opposite his rear car. He had gone to the rear and found that the flagman had not gone back, he testified, and told him to go and the latter had started when No. 38 came in view at a rate of speed which Laird estimates at 25 or 30 miles and had slowed down to 18 when it hit the special.

He testified to the death of Messrs. Hall and Seyers as a result of the collision. His train was fully equipped, he stated, with torpedoes and lanterns and the flagmen could have gone to a safe position on the straight track, if he had gone at once and not waited till the conductor sent him.

In Conductor Laird's opinion, had the flagman gone back and given regular signals, or had the engineer of No. 38 proceeded with his train

THEY WOULD BE RECOGNIZED

TEACHERS WANT LAW PASSED GIVING THEM DIGNITY OF A PROFESSION.

The North Carolina Teachers' Assembly, which met in Raleigh last week, adjourned Friday evening after electing the following officers for the ensuing year: R. H. Wright, of the Eastern Carolina Training School, president; A. T. Allen, superintendent of the Salisbury graded schools, vice president; E. E. Sams, of the state department of education, secretary.

President Foust, of the State Normal and Industrial College, submitted the report of the committee on resolutions, which was adopted. The resolutions expressed the usual thanks to those contributing to the success of the assembly; pledged support to the efforts of the state department of education for better teacher training and certification and urged the legislative committee to aid in every way possible in securing such legislation from the next general assembly; commended the effort that the teachers of the state are making for the furtherance of the campaign for the elimination of adult illiteracy in the state; expressed appreciation for the rural school demonstration work that was provided for this assembly and expressed the hope that the system be extended to as many other branches of the assembly work as may be practicable; commended the work of Superintendent C. L. Coon, of Wilson, in preparation of his "Documentary History of Secondary Education," covering the educational work of the state from 1790 to 1840, a substantial groundwork for future historians; joined with the Federation of Women's Clubs and the state historical commission in approving the proposed ter-centennial association and proposing a Shakespeare day in the spring, endorsed the administration of J. Y. Joyner as state superintendent of public instruction; expressed deep regret at the death of former Governor Jarvis and appreciation for his great constructive work for education.

At the request of the retiring president, Miss Graham, Superintendent Joyner told of the futile effort at the last legislature to get through the bill to professionalize the teachers by uniform certification and predicted that the bill or one just as effective will pass the next legislature. He said the bill last session passed the senate by a vote of 2 to 1 and that it was killed in the last hours of the house by application of "gag rule" when very few of the members had any conception of what the bill really was. He said the teachers will be heard from next time completely in support of the bill.

PROPERTY VALUATION IN GREENSBORO AND COUNTY.
Figures that have been just compiled show that the total assessed valuation of all property in Greensboro for taxation reaches the comfortable sum of \$12,100,000. This is an increase of \$1,600,000 over the valuation of last year, the greater part of the increase being due to the quadrennial assessment of real estate. The showing is a most encouraging one in every respect.

The assessed valuation of Greensboro property now is about equal to the valuation for the entire county 12 years ago. The increase in both city and county since that time has been almost phenomenal. When the work of computing the tax books is completed it is believed the total valuation for the county this year will be about \$32,500,000, an increase of over \$2,000,000 over last year.

The valuation of property in Greensboro is nearly 40 per cent of the total valuation in the county.

under control, either would have prevented the wreck.

Injured Improving.

Those who were injured in the wreck are improving and some of them have left the Salisbury hospital to which they were removed immediately after the accident. O. Max Gardner, of Shelby, and C. H. Tally, of Charlotte, the two most seriously injured, have been in a critical condition, but a report from the hospital last night stated that both are thought to have a good chance of recovery.

A CONFERENCE OF NEUTRALS

WOMEN PEACE ADVOCATES CALL ON PRESIDENT AND MAKE PERSONAL APPEAL.

Efforts to win President Wilson's support for a conference of neutrals to initiate peace proposals in Europe reached a climax Friday, when Mme. Rosika Schwimmer, of Hungary, and Mrs. Ethel Snowden, wife of a member of the British Parliament, called at the White House with a personal appeal and word that they had definite information that the majority of the belligerent nations would not turn deaf ears to suggestions from a neutral gathering. The ladies talked with the president for more than an hour and went away much pleased over their reception, though the president had made no promises.

About 400 peace advocates, fresh from a mass-meeting at a Washington theater, accompanied the president's callers to the White House, applauding them as they entered and left the executive offices.

The president was urged to initiate a peace conference, or at least to signify that he would appoint a delegate from the United States if another neutral nation called one. He was told that women peace advocates who have visited every belligerent and neutral nation in Europe believe from talks with officials abroad that practical results would follow. He also was informed that Henry Ford, the Detroit manufacturer, had in his possession statements, some of them signed from officials in some of the principal countries on both sides of the European conflict, to the general effect that they would interpose no objection to the calling of a conference of neutrals to make peace proposals.

Mme. Schwimmer, who saw the president several months ago on the same subject and who was not optimistic then, said after leaving the White House that she believed the president was deeply impressed with the information laid before him.

"The president made no definite promise," she added, "but I think you will hear something from the White House before long."

At the White House it was said that there would be no statement regarding the call. Up to this time the position of the president has been that he has heard nothing from Europe which leads him to believe that the time is opportune for him to take any step.

Resolutions Adopted.
At the mass-meeting held prior to the call at the White House resolutions were adopted urging the president to call upon neutral nations to appoint representatives to attend a conference "for constant mediation, without armistice and dedicated to finding a just settlement of this conflict."

The resolutions recited that the International Congress of Women at The Hague "ascertained from the governments of the belligerent nations of Europe that they would have no objections to the calling of a conference of the neutral nations of the world looking to the possible termination of the war." It was added that the belligerent nations seemed unable themselves to take the initiative for peace.

Mme. Schwimmer presented these resolutions to the president and told him that the common people of all the nations at war wanted peace. Mme. Schwimmer was one of the women who visited officials of belligerent and neutral nations several months ago with Miss Jane Addams, of Chicago, and other representatives of the International Congress of Women.

Addresses were made at the meeting by Mme. Schwimmer, Mrs. Snowden, Mrs. Louis Post, wife of the assistant secretary of labor, Henry Ford, and other peace advocates.

Mrs. Snowden declared that the censorship abroad was preventing the people in this country from knowing of the widespread demand for peace. She told of two recent addresses in the house of lords in London on peace, which she said the censor had not allowed to be published.

Henry Ford's address was very brief. "Out of the trenches by Christmas and never back again is my motto," he said, and sat down.

In the campaign which has been carried on for peace thousands of telegrams have been received at the White House.