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290 MEN REGISTERED

155 in Robeson District 1 and 135 in District 2 Registered for Military Service Yesterday—Close Tab on Those Who Failed to Register.

Two hundred and ninety young men who have reached the age of 21 years since June 5, 1917 registered in Robeson county yesterday, as follows: In district No. 1, at Lumberton, 155—113 whites, 42 Indians, 30 negroes; in district No. 2, at Red Springs, 135—59 whites, 21 Indians, 55 negroes.

Members of the local board for district No. 1 say that while only 30 colored men registered there were more than a hundred in the district who had become twenty-one since June 5, 1917. Close tab is being kept on those who failed to register. The names of those who registered will be published in The Robesonian at an early date.

The registrars here were Messrs. R. H. Crichton, W. O. Thompson, L. B. Townsend, Robert Prevatt, W. S. Britt, L. M. Oliver.

In district No. 2 a few on the chain-gang near St. Pauls did not register but they are expected to register today.

200,000 MORE REGISTRANTS TO BE MOBILIZED IN JUNE

Orders Sent Out Yesterday—That Will Make Nation's Army Over 2,000,000—Million Registered Yesterday.

While a million young Americans just turned 21 were registering yesterday for service in the war for world freedom, orders went out from the office of Provost Marshal General Crowder to the Governors of all States except Arizona, for the mobilization between June 24 and 28 of 200,000 more registrants. This brings the total number of selective service men called to the colors to 1,596,704 and when they are in camp the nation's army will number well over 2,000,000 men.

The registration yesterday apparently was attended by the perfect order that marked the enrolling a year ago of 10,000,000 men who form the great reservation upon which the nation is drawing to furnish the balance of power on the western front to crush the German war machine.

The men who appeared yesterday before the 4,500 local boards over the country have become of age since the first registration day, June 5, 1917. Military authorities estimate that from their number there will be had 750,000 men fit for active duty.

TWO MORE SHIPS SUNK BY SUBMARINES

Two more vessels, a Norwegian steamship and one schooner were added yesterday to the list of ships known to have been sunk by the German submarines which are raiding in American waters. The total now stands at 13—five steamers and eight schooners.

The fact which stood out most prominently in the day's development is that the U-boats are still operating near the coast and have not returned to their bases, assuming that the two, which already have been identified, are the only ones on this side of the Atlantic.

This was demonstrated when the Norwegian steamer, Eidavold, was sunk off the Virginia capes late Tuesday. The location of the attack shows also that the submarines are moving steadily southward, if they are the same ones that attacked shipping almost at the gateway to New York harbor. The Navy Department reported Tuesday an encounter between a destroyer and a submarine off the coast of Maryland.

So far as known, the only loss of life was in connection with the sinking of the Carolina, and that was definitely established at only 16 by revised figures compiled by the company showing there were aboard the vessel only 218 passengers and 111 in the crew making a total of 329 instead of 350, as originally reported. All those who perished evidently were lost from the lifeboat which arrived Tuesday at Lewes, Del. Ten of them were passengers and six were members of the crew.

McGirt is Democratic Nominee in Road District 3.

In Monday's Robesonian the total vote cast for the candidates for road commissioner in district No. 4 was given an the vote in all the townships in district No. 3 except Alfordville was also given. The vote in Alfordville was: L. L. McGirt, 10; J. A. McCormick, none. This made Mr. McGirt's majority over Mr. McCormick 62, which makes him the Democratic nominee for road commissioner in that district.

Midwives Attend Meeting Here.

Around 50 midwives attended a meeting called by Dr. W. A. McPhaul, county health officer, here Tuesday. They were addressed by Dr. McPhaul and Dr. T. F. Costner.

Death of an Infant.

Floyd Mae, 2-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Hatoway of East Lumberton, died last evening at 8 o'clock.

R. R. BARNES PASSES.

One of Most Prominent Men and Wealthiest Man of Robeson Died Suddenly Tuesday—Funeral at Barnesville Yesterday Afternoon—High Tribute to His Christian Character and Sterling Worth.

The funeral of Mr. R. R. Barnes, who died at his home at Barnesville at 4:10 Tuesday afternoon, took place yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock from Spring Hill Baptist church at Barnesville. The church was crowded to its capacity and many could not get inside. The entire countryside seemed to have turned out to pay a last tribute to this man who for long years was the most prominent figure in his section and one of the most prominent and honored men of the county, and a large number of people attended the funeral from Lumberton, and many other sections of the county. The funeral was conducted by Rev. J. R. Miller, pastor of the church at Barnesville, assisted by Rev. Dr. C. L. Greaves and Rev. I. P. Hedgepeth of Lumberton. Interment was made in the family burying ground, just across the road in front of the home. Numerous and beautiful floral offerings completely covered the grave. On the casket as it rested in the church and journeyed to its last resting place were two beautiful sheafs of wheat tied with ribbon.

Mr. Barnes suffered an attack of acute indigestion Friday night of last week. It was thought that his condition was improving, but he became worse and died very suddenly.

In his remarks at the funeral Mr. Miller said that it was not necessary to say anything to emphasize the esteem and love in which the deceased was held. He paid high tribute to his devotion to his church and declared that the poor of the community, to whom he had always been a true friend, would miss him greatly. Beginning in adversity, Mr. Barnes pushed on with great will power and determination, he said, and lived a great life. Verily a prince in Israel had fallen.

Mr. S. McIntyre, senior member of the law firm of McIntyre, Lawrence & Proctor of Lumberton, was asked by Mr. Miller to make some remarks. Mr. McIntyre said he had known the deceased intimately for 22 years, that during that time Mr. Barnes never had a lawsuit in which his firm did not represent him, and that he had been profoundly impressed by the fact that never had he heard deceased speak an unkind word of any person, that he was always so anxious to do justice to those who opposed him that he always wanted to go further than justice demanded. He was a rare man, he said, rare in good sense and judgment; a big man, big in those great essentials of truth and character. The greatest thing about him was his great big loving heart. He held no malice. He was so big in heart and Christian character that he loved those who hated him, if such there were. He was fervent in spirit and served the Lord; he wanted to do all he could for those about him; he loved his family, his church, his Sunday school, and loved the Lord with passionate devotion. He made a wonderful success in business but he placed the interest of the Lord Jesus Christ above all. The rich aroma of his life will live; he leaves a rich legacy of Christian character to his family.

Rev. I. P. Hedgepeth also paid high tribute to the life and Christian character of the deceased, whom he had known all his life. The secret of his life as pictured so truly by Mr. McIntyre was that he was a genuinely converted man, a man who loved the Lord and served Him. He was that rare combination, a man of great wealth who was a devout Christian.

During the services a quartet composed of Messrs. Frank Gough, C. B. Skipper, E. B. Freeman and J. P. Stephens of Lumberton sang the following songs, a most touching and tender part of the services: "Nearer My God, To Thee"; "That Beautiful Land"; "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

It was raining when the service at the church was concluded and the casket was opened there instead of at the grave in order that those who desired to do so might take a last look at the features of the deceased. The rain continued throughout the interment.

The pallbearers were: active—G. L. Thompson, H. E. Stacy, G. E. Rancke, Jr., S. McIntyre and H. M. McAllister, all of Lumberton; Dr. Floyd, T. J. Noblin and J. W. Barnes, all of Barnesville; honorary—Dr. N. A. Thompson, Messrs. L. H. Caldwell, H. B. Jennings, C. M. Fuller and R. C. Lawrence, all of Lumberton and Messrs. Van Floyd, Thompson Williams, Kirk Page and W. M. Walters, all of Barnesville.

R. R. Barnes was born December 14, 1844, and was in his 74th year. He was born and raised near Barnesville and spent all his life there. He was a large merchant and farmer and for many years had been considered the wealthiest man in the county. Besides his interests in and around Barnesville he owned large blocks of bank and mill stocks. He was a director of the Lumberton, Dresden and Jennings cotton mills of Lumberton, and was vice president of the Planters' Bank & Trust Co. of Lumberton. He served 3 years in the Civil War and served twice as county commissioner. In 1866 he was united in marriage to Miss Francis Floyd, daughter of Samuel and Rebecca Floyd. His wife and one son, Mr. K. M. Barnes, treasurer of the Planters Bank &

TAX LEVY FOR 1918

Totals Same as Last Year—May Change Special School Tax at Meeting Next Monday—\$200 To County Fair at the Meeting of the County Commissioners.

Monday the tax levy for the year 1918 was made the same as last year. The levy last year was \$1 on the \$100 valuation and \$2.90 on the poll. The property levy is divided as follows: State 27 2/3 cents, schools 20, general county 18 cents, roads 25 cents, court house bonds 1-1/3 cents, funding bonds 1 cent, pensions 2 cents, special school tax 5 cents—total \$1. Last year the general county fund was 19 cents. This year one cent of that was taken off and will be applied to the funding bonds.

The poll is divided as follows: regular school tax \$1.31, special school tax 15 cents, State 12 cents, county 54 cents, special road tax 75 cents, funding bonds 3 cents—total \$2.90. A special school tax of 5 cents on property and 15 cents on the poll was levied last year and the school board asked the commissioners to raise the special levy to 10 cents on property and 30 on the poll this year. The commissioners will meet again Monday of next week and decide then whether or not the additional school tax will be levied.

It was ordered that \$17.50 be paid each of the county pensioners, same to be charged to the county pension fund. The bond of the National Bank of Lumberton, acting as county treasurer and financing agent, in the sum of \$50,000 with the Fidelity & Deposit Co. of Maryland as surety, was accepted and ordered filed.

It was ordered that \$200 be appropriated to the county fair association, same to be paid October, 1918. Cancelled coupons in the sum of \$625 from E. H. Rollins & Sons for court house refunding bonds were burned in the presence of the board. The monthly report of Dr. W. A. McPhaul, county health officer, was ordered filed.

Several rebates were allowed. The report of the committee on the boundary lines between Robeson and Cumberland counties was accepted. The regular allowance of Pleas Bullard was increased from \$2 to \$3 the month, the allowance of James Brayboy was increased from \$2 to \$4 the month, Melvin and Celia Nance were placed on the regular pauper list at \$3 each the month. Queen Brayboy was placed on the regular list at \$4 the month.

CALL MORE REGISTRANTS.

23 White Men Will Be Called June 24 and 4 Negroes June 19 For Military Duty By Local Board of Robeson District No. 1.

The army exemption board in district No. 1 has been advised by the War Department to call 23 white registrants for military duty about June 24. These will be sent to Camp Jackson. The board has also been advised to call 4 colored registrants about June 19. These will be sent to Camp Taylor, Louisville, Ky.

Jurors for July Criminal Court.

At their meeting Monday the county commissioners drew names of the following to serve as jurors at the week's term of Robeson Superior court for the trial of criminal cases which will convene Monday, July 8: J. D. McCall, Parkton; J. G. Council, Parkton; W. W. Thompson, Alfordville; Humphreys Odum, Raft Swamp; A. D. McKenzie, Rowland; Robert Turner, Britts; James Kinlaw, Howellsville; H. M. Beasley, Lumberton; D. H. Stephens, Lumberton; W. R. Tyner, Raft Swamp; D. D. Hinson, Shannon; C. M. Leggett, Sterlings; J. D. Lewis, Britts; W. F. Guy, Lumber Bridge; C. F. Gaddy, Red Springs; W. E. Baxley, Raft Swamp; C. T. Pate, Rowland; Luther McDaniel, Fairmont; K. H. Jones, Saddletree; P. B. Thompson, Fairmont; Oscar Smith, Shannon; R. L. Collins, Wisharts; R. M. Norment, Lumberton; L. B. Inman, Back Swamp; D. M. Lane, Shannon; J. B. Regan, Howellsville; I. J. Flowers, Wisharts; J. E. Morrison, Maxton; D. J. Smith, Fairmont; A. B. Baker, Lumber Bridge; J. H. Harrelson, Maxton; Richard Johnson, Gaddy; Powlard Davis, Raft Swamp; E. G. Canady, Parkton; Joseph Mercer, Wisharts; Foster Sealy, Sterlings; J. T. Webb, St. Pauls; J. B. Lewis, Wisharts; L. J. Tucker, Maxton; W. E. Lewis, Lumberton.

—Miss Sadie Thompson returned Tuesday from Greenville, where Monday she was graduated at the East Carolina Teachers' Training school. She was accompanied home by her sister, Miss Ruth Thompson, who went to Greenville Saturday. Her mother, Mrs. N. A. Thompson, also attended the graduating exercises Monday and went on to Kingston, returning home last evening. She was accompanied home by her sister Mrs. S. E. Patrick.

Trust Co. of Lumberton and well known throughout the county, survive. An only daughter, Mrs. J. H. Pittman, died in 1900, and her two sons, Roger R. and Craven, were raised by Mr. and Mrs. Barnes. Roger Pittman is now in army service in France. Two sisters, Mrs. L. E. Tyner of Lowe and Mrs. Haynes Powers of Chadburn, also survive.

ALLEGED PRO-GERMAN IN TOILS

J. E. Stubbs of St. Pauls Charged With Making Seditious Remarks—Bound Over to Federal Court.

J. E. Stubbs of St. Pauls was bound over to the Federal court yesterday by United States Commissioner E. M. Johnson under a \$500 bond on the charge of making seditious remarks. Stubbs made bond.

The defendant was arrested Tuesday afternoon and brought to jail by Sheriff R. E. Lewis. The evidence brought out at the hearing was to the effect that Stubbs, who is yard foreman at the St. Pauls cotton mills, had remarked that the United States government was rotten and that he would rather live under German rule than under the American government, that Germany would whip and he would be glad of it.

Mr. G. W. Deaton, master mechanic at the St. Pauls cotton mills, testified that he heard Stubbs remark that the United States government was rotten, that the people of the United States were doing all they could for Germany and that Germany would whip and he would be glad to see her whip the whole "shootingmatch."

Mr. J. R. Gibson, a machinist at the same mills, testified that Stubbs declared in his presence that the high cost of living was caused from speculation and that the war had nothing to do with it, that it was the government robbing the people out of their living, that the Germans were going to whip and he did not care of they did as he would rather live under German government than under "Woodie's" (referring to President Wilson according to the witness). The witness also testified that he had heard Stubbs make a number of remarks that made him think that the defendant was in favor of Germany.

Stubbs is a native of Bladen county, having moved to St. Pauls several months ago. He is apparently uneducated.

Mr. W. Lennon, solicitor of the Lumberton recorder's court, represented the State, while Mr. W. S. Britt appeared for the defendant.

NOWHERE IS ENEMY MAKING PROGRESS

Allied Stonewall of Resistance Still Being Imposed Against Germans—Fury of Invaders Hat Not Been Checked.

The allied stonewall of resistance is still being imposed against the Germans on the battle front from Soissons to Chateau Thierry. Nowhere is the enemy making progress. The fury of the invaders, however, has not been checked, for all along the front they are launching assault after assault on various sectors in the hope that the allied ranks may give further ground, which would enable the enemy to straighten out the curve in the line from Moulin-Sous-Touvent, northeast of Soissons, to Troesnes, which lies southeast of Villers-Cotterets.

Great masses of artillery and large numbers of troops are being used by the Germans in almost continuous battles, but notwithstanding this fact the allied line everywhere has held strongly and at several points the defenders have taken the offensive into their own hands and improved their positions.

Standing out in sharp contrast against previous communications issued by the German war office, claiming gains by feats of arms or the falling back of the Allies, is the announcement made in Berlin Wednesday night.

"On the battlefront the situation is unchanged," says the announcement. The Germans are still suffering heavy casualties in their unsuccessful assaults. Along the Marne front there has been no fighting of great moment although in the vicinity of Rheims the German artillery has begun a violent another infantry attack in this region which has been relatively quiet for bombardment which probably indicates several days past.

The American troops in the Lunenburg sector, daily are showing their merit in fights with the enemy. Wednesday witnessed another venture carried out successfully by them, thirty of the men from overseas attacking the German lines and penetrating them to the third defenses and assaulting the 200 occupants of them with rifles, bayonets and grenades. The losses to the enemy were numerous while the American casualties were very small.

FAIRMONT NEWS LETTER.

Union Revival Well Attended—Tobacco Warehouses Expect Record Season—Serious Charge Against Some Young Men of Lumberton—Personal.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Fairmont, June 4.—The union revival of the Methodist, Baptist and Presbyterian churches began last Sunday night in the People's tobacco warehouse. Rev. Luther Bridgers, of Gainesville, Ga., is in charge and has large congregations in attendance at each service. Nearly one thousand people were present last Sunday night.

Mrs. O. I. Floyd and Mrs. H. L. Blue, Jr., attended the women's clubs meeting in Raleigh last week. Mrs. Floyd went from there to Cary, where she will spend some time visiting relatives.

Misses Lillian Baker and Mary Belle Ricks spent the week-end with friends in Maxton, attending the commencement exercises of Carolina college.

Mr. Leon Draper and sister, Miss Lois Draper, son and daughter of Rev. J. T. Draper, have returned from school in Virginia to spend their vacation here.

Mrs. E. G. Floyd, who had been visiting relatives in Kingstree, has returned. She was accompanied by her sister, Miss Erlene McIntosh.

From present prospects Fairmont will go "over the top" this season in tobacco sales, smashing all records for quality, quantity and prices. Everything is in readiness for the opening, which is thought to be about July 10th.

Mr. S. V. Stanley, who has been chief of police for a number of years has resigned and expects to leave for Whiteville soon. Mr. Glenn Ashley of Franklin, Va., former chief electrician of Fairmont Light and Power Co., has returned and will take up the duties as chief of police, it is understood.

Mrs. C. A. Thompson, who has been staying at Camp Jackson with her husband, spent a few days here with relatives before going to Camp Sevier, to which camp Sergt. Thompson was transferred recently.

Miss Janie Stamey, who has just finished her season with Miss Annie McMillan, is the guest of Miss Bennie Baker for a few days before returning to her home at Falston.

There have been several complaints made by the ladies of Fairmont in regard to insulting remarks made by the young men of Lumberton. Many ladies are patrons of the Pastime theatre and opera house in Lumberton and would be very glad if something be done to stop the insults made by well-parented young men of Lumberton.

Mr. Edgar Thompson, who has been attending Bellevue in New York city, is at home for a few days. Mr. Thompson has enlisted in the medical reserve corps, U. S. army, and will return for the summer course preparatory to graduating in January.

7 SCHOONERS AND 4 STEAMERS SUNK

Coast Towns Prepare For Possible Raids From Airplanes Which The German U-Boats May Carry.

Enemy submarines still were operating off the American coast Tuesday. A French tank steamer, the Hadioleine, first trans-Atlantic raft to be attacked by the raiders, was saved from destruction by an American destroyer 65 miles off the Maryland coast.

The same destroyer found the coasting schooner Edward Baird Jr., sinking after having been bombed in the same vicinity making seven schooners and four steamers known officially to have been sunk. The toll of dead and missing from the raid of German submarines against shipping off the American coast apparently stood Tuesday night at 53, all from the steamship Carolina of the New York & Porto Rico line. Sixteen of this number are known to have perished when one of the ship's boats capsized in a storm Sunday night after the vessel had been sunk.

BRIEF ITEMS OF LOCAL NEWS

—License has been issued for the marriage of B. F. Gaitley and Grace McGirt.

—Heavy rains fell in many sections of the county yesterday. The rains were needed.

—Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Britt of R. 4 from Lumberton, last night, a 10-pound girl.

—The DuBois bakery will open tomorrow after being closed for about three weeks for repairs.

—Miss Louise Townsend has accepted a position in the National Bank of Lumberton. She began work Monday.

—Mr. M. G. McKenzie celebrated his 74th birthday yesterday. Mr. McKenzie is very active for a man of his summers.

—Mr. Wm. T. Norment has accepted a position as salesman in the grocery department of Messrs. R. D. Caldwell & Son's department store.

—Mr. Frank Gough returned Tuesday from Baltimore, Md., where he spent some time taking treatment for a head trouble. His condition is very much improved.

—The regular monthly meeting of the executive committee of the Lumberton Red Cross chapter will be held tomorrow evening at 8:30 in the commissioners' room at the court house.

—Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Williams and Miss Nannie Townsend spent yesterday in Fayetteville with Mrs. Williams' sister Mrs. H. L. Baxley, who is a patient at the Highsmith hospital.

—Master Wiley Barnes, 11-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Barnes, who live on Willow street, informs The Robesonian that he had a "mess" of roasting ears yesterday from his war garden.

—Members of the Lumberton chapter of the Eastern Star have presented St. Alban's Lodge No. 114, A. F. & A. M., with a service flag for the members of the chapter who are in the army and navy. The flag has 11 stars.

—Tom Handon, colored, struck Willie Farley, a colored boy, on the head with an ice pick at the Lorraine hotel about 7 o'clock last evening. The boy bled freely and Handon made his escape. Both were employed at the hotel.

—Mrs. A. E. White and daughter, Miss Vashli White, returned yesterday from Lynchburg, Va. Mrs. White went to Lynchburg to notify the commencement exercises of Randolph-Macon college for women, where Miss Vashli has been a student the past 2 years.

—Mayor Jas. D. Proctor returned home last night from Chapel Hill, where he attended the commencement of the State university. Mr. Proctor also attended Tuesday evening a meeting of the board of trustees of the university, of which board he is a member.

—Mrs. J. A. Parham and 3 children spent last night here at the home of Mr. Parham's mother, Mrs. E. Parham. Mrs. Parham and children left this morning for Charlotte, to which place they are moving from Wilmington. Mr. Parham is managing editor of the Charlotte Daily Observer.

—At a meeting of the board of graded school trustees Monday evening it was ordered that all members of the faculty of the graded and high schools be requested to notify the board by tomorrow if they desire to teach here during the next term of school. The board will meet again Tuesday evening of next week at 8:30.

AMERICANS TOOK ACTIVE PART

With the French Army on the Marne, Monday June 3.—American machine gunners only an hour or so after their arrival on the banks of the river Marne on the 31st of May, took a most active part in the defense of Chateau Thierry which then was menaced with imminent capture by the Germans.

Scarcely had the Americans alighted from their motor lorries when they were ordered into Chateau Thierry with a battalion of French Colonial troops. The Americans immediately organized their defenses and by rapid action and excellent shooting caused the approaching enemy to hesitate.

The northern half of the town of Chateau Thierry was finally captured by the Germans. The southern half of the town, lying on the left bank of the Marne still is being firmly held by Entente allied troops.

FULL CONFIDENCE IN OUTCOME OF WAR

The supreme war council of the Allies, which has had under advisement the entire war situation, has expressed in an official statement made public in London Tuesday night, full confidence in the outcome of the war with the aid of the American forces.

Complete confidence in General Foch also is expressed and tribute is paid to President Wilson for his co-operation in the work of transporting and brigading American troops.

ties and towns along the Long Island and New Jersey coasts. The orders were issued in this city by the police commissioner after consultation with army and navy officials as a precaution not only against a possible attack on the coast, but against air raids from air planes which it is thought the submarines may carry.