

RECRUITS for the navy are wanted immediately to the number of 18,000, as the President has issued orders for their enlistment for immediate service.

THE recent retreats of the German armies in France are said by the German newspapers to be only strategic movements for their advantage and are no indications of defeat.

THE legislative edition of the News and Observer, published last week, contained a very timely and instructive synopsis of the most important laws enacted by our last legislature.

ALL persons who may travel on the public roads of this state will no doubt be much pleased to know that the legislature last month passed a law that will keep them from taking the wrong road and getting lost, as happens quite often.

THE pensions of our Confederate soldiers and widows were slightly increased by the legislature at its recent session.

these pensions nearly fifty per cent, yet did not increase the appropriation that much. The appropriation was increased from \$500,000 a year to \$575,000.

CONGRESS will meet in special session next Monday and it will be one of the most important sessions ever held in this country.

Letter From China.

The following is a letter written from Shanghai, China, on the 17th of February by Miss Pearl Johnson, who went there from here as a missionary over a year ago.

"I have received 18 letters in all this week, but some of them were quite a long time on the way. You can't imagine just what a thrill goes over one when a bundle of home mail is brought in.

"We are all holding our breath to see what America will do now in this crisis. Is it not glorious to have such a great and level-headed man as the president? I am proud of him.

"The question most in agitation now is the opium question. The last of March all shops selling opium must shut their doors. Be it said to the disgrace of foreign countries, the French hold on to the opium the longest in Shanghai, and both France and England sold opium to the poor Chinese long after the government put a stop to it.

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Ten million dollars worth of United States stocks are owned by the Kaiser and members of his family and may be confiscated by the United States.

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Community Fair at Merry Oaks.

Merry Oaks, March 27.—The community fair for the eastern portion of Chatham county held at Merry Oaks Monday was a great success in every way.

The following are the winners in the various contests: Recitation—Carrie Lee Cross, Lawrence school; declamation—Ossie Lee Horton, Eastern Academy; spelling—Hettie Cummings, Rock Springs; composition, Hattie Brown, Merry Oaks; business letter—Katie Marks, Lawrence; retold story—Clara Buchanan, Lawrence; N. C. map, Kate Marks, Lawrence; Chatham County, 7th grade, Merry Oaks; corn, Rossie Stone, potatoes, J. W. Goodwin; jar of peas, etc., Willie Seagrave; glass jelly, Mrs. R. O. Buchanan; cake, Hettie Cummings; school lunch, Mrs. O. C. Kennedy; biscuits, Mrs. Fred Cross; candy, Hattie Moore; needlework, Mrs. J. M. Craven; needlework by children, Mildred Ferrington; pair hos., Harlow Mims; horse, Ed Mims; colt under three years, J. A. Mims; races, Early Goodwin, Jesse Bell, Ossie Lee Horton, Pearl Farrell; jumping, B. Utley, Helen Goodwin, Lex Maiks.

Sunday School Rally.

There will be a Sunday school rally at the Methodist church in Pittsboro next Sunday. The school is striving to reach an attendance on that day of 125. Let all old scholars be present and all who are not affiliated with any Sunday school. A Wesley Bible class will be organized for young men.

Constitution and Indigestion.

These are twin evils. Persons suffering from indigestion are often troubled with constipation. Mrs. Robert Allison, Matton, Ill., writes that when she first moved to Matton she was a great sufferer from indigestion and constipation.

Chapel Hill News: During the past fall and winter Mr. S. T. Lloyd, a Bingham township farmer, sold over \$700 worth of Irish potatoes, mostly on this market.

Place of sale, courthouse door in Pittsboro, N. C. This last day of March, 1917.

On March 1, the corn on the farms of the United States was nearly a third of a billion bushels less than on the same date last year; and the wheat was 143 million bushels less.

Rheumatic Pains Relieved.

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Some Good Advice. "Don't think too much of your own methods. Watch other people's ways and learn from them." This is good advice, especially when illness or constipation.

Nature Cures, the Doctor Takes the Fee. There is an old saying that "Nature cures, the doctor takes the fee," but as everyone knows you can help Nature very much and thereby enable it to effect a cure in much less time than is usually required.

Catarhal Deafness Cannot Be Cured by Local Applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure catarhal deafness, and that is by a constitutional remedy.

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Notice is hereby given of the seizure of the following property for violation of the Internal Revenue laws of the United States: Seven miles south of Princeton, Johnston county, March 13, 1917, one dark bay mare and one one-horse wagon of Allen Norris. Persons claiming the foregoing property will file their claim within thirty days as required by law, or the same will be forfeited to the use of the United States. J. W. Bailey, Collector, Raleigh, N. C., March 21, 1917.

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Rubbing Eases Pain

Rubbing sends the liniment tingling through the flesh and quickly stops pain. Demand a liniment that you can rub with. The best rubbing liniment is

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Good for the Ailments of Horses, Mules, Cattle, Etc. Good for your own Aches, Pains, Rheumatism, Sprains, Cuts, Burns, Etc. 25c. 50c. \$1. At all Dealers.

Grand Easter Excursion

Washington, D. C.,

Southern Ry System

Wednesday, April 4th, 1917. The Southern Railway System will operate low round trip fares on excursion from North Carolina points to Washington, D. C., Wednesday, April 4th, 1917.

Tickets good going only on special train. Good returning on all regular trains except Train No. 37 up to and including No. 31 leaving Washington at 7 p.m. Sunday night, April 8th.

For further information, Pullman reservations, etc., call on any agent of the Southern Railway System, or write D. P. A., Charlotte, F. C.

NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND UNDER MORTGAGE.

at 12 o'clock noon, at the courthouse door in the town of Pittsboro, North Carolina, offer for sale at public auction, to the highest cash bidder, the following described lands, situated in Oakland township, Chatham county, N. C., and described and defined as follows:

Monday, April 2, 1917. at 12 o'clock noon, at the courthouse door in the town of Pittsboro, North Carolina, offer for sale at public auction, to the highest cash bidder, the following described lands, situated in Oakland township, Chatham county, N. C., and described and defined as follows:

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Final Notice to Taxpayers

For the convenience of those who have not paid their taxes for the year 1916 in Chatham county, I will be at the following places on the dates mentioned below and ask that you come forward and settle. Ample time and opportunity have been given. I must collect, and if you fail to pay now and cost is incurred, it will be on account of your neglect.

This is my last round for 1916 taxes. Please come and settle and save cost. Mrs S J Henderson's Store, Wednesday afternoon, March 28. Bunn Thompson's Store, Thursday morning, March 29. T W Hobby's Store, Friday morning, March 30. J C Blake's Store, Friday afternoon, March 30. Riggsbee, Postoffice, Saturday morning, March 31. Bynum, R J Moore's Store, March 31. Brick Haven, Tuesday morning, April 3. Corinth, L H Mims' Store, Tuesday afternoon, April 3. Merry Oaks, Edwards' Hotel, Wednesday morning, April 4. W M Goodwin's Store, Wednesday afternoon, April 4. J A Jones' Store, Thursday morning, April 5. R C Council's Store, Thursday Afternoon, April 5. Ferrington, Friday morning, April 6. Thraikill's Store, Friday afternoon, April 6.

Respectfully, LEON T. LANE, Sheriff Chatham county. Pittsboro, Feb. 27, 1917.

Notice of an Election for Good Roads

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held at the regular voting precincts at Gulf and Richmond, in Gulf township, Chatham county, N. C., on Tuesday, the 1st day of May, 1917, for the purpose of voting on the question of whether said Gulf township shall issue bonds for permanent road improvement in the sum of \$50,000, said bonds to run for a period of 30 years and to bear interest at the rate of 5 per cent per annum.

A new registration is hereby ordered for said election and J. W. Freeman at Gulf and G. B. Emerson at Richmond are hereby appointed registrars. The registration books will be opened from Friday, the 30th day of March, 1917, till Saturday, the 21st day of April, 1917, both dates inclusive for the registration of all persons desiring to vote in said election.

All those in favor of issuing said bonds shall vote a written or printed ballot, "For Road Bonds," and all those opposed to issuing said bonds shall vote a written or printed ballot, "Against Road Bonds." The election will be conducted under the same rules governing general elections.

By order of the Board of County Commissioners this the 12th day of March, 1917. C. D. MOORE, Chm'n Board Co. Commissioners

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