



The trial of Gaston Means at Concord has attracted much attention. While it is generally believed that he was guilty of the murder of Mrs. King, yet we have no idea that he will be convicted. The trial has been reported quite fully in the leading dailies of this state and of New York and Chicago.

The catastrophe at Halifax, Nova Scotia, was one of the most appalling that has ever happened in North America. Its horrors are described elsewhere in this paper and must excite the deepest sympathy of every reader. The destruction of life and property caused by the war in Europe has been so appalling that other events do not attract the attention which they would otherwise receive.

The Baptist State Convention, at its annual session, held last week at Durham enthusiastically adopted ringing resolutions of loyalty to our government and in favor of a vigorous prosecution of our war with Germany. This body represented the largest denomination of Christians in the state whose patriotism cannot be doubted. The adoption of these resolutions cannot be considered as favoring a union of church and state.

The first act passed by Congress last week was a declaration of war against Austria-Hungary. This act was passed in the Senate by unanimous vote and in the House by only one member voting against it, and he was a Socialist Jew, representative from New York. Probably most persons had thought that war had been declared months ago against Austria-Hungary, that country being completely under the influence and control of Germany. It is fortunate that both Republicans and Democrats were united in their unanimous vote for this declaration of war, and yet we have no doubt that many ignorant and prejudiced Republicans throughout the country will blame President Wilson and the Democratic party for it.

The capture of Jerusalem by the British is one of the most notable events of the war and ends the Mohammedan rule of that city we hope forever. For many centuries the Holy City has been in the possession of the unspeakable Turk, and all Christian nations ought to rejoice that at last it is now in possession of a Christian nation. The Crusades during the Middle Ages involved an enormous loss of lives in the efforts to wrest Jerusalem from the control of the Mohammedans and all in vain. Not only as a matter of sentiment is the recent capture of Jerusalem a notable event, but it is also a very important military success because it renders more secure the Suez canal the possession of which is so important to the British.

On last Thursday night the United States torpedo boat destroyer, the Jacob Jones, was sunk by a submarine and was the first of our warships to fall victim to a German U-boat. Her commander was Lieutenant Commander David Worth Bagley, who was born and reared at Raleigh and who with about half of the crew were rescued from a watery grave. It is quite a coincidence that the commander of the first American warship destroyed in this war was a brother of Ensign Worth Bagley who was the first and only American naval officer killed in our war with Spain in 1898. Lieutenant Bagley with his

slip had rendered distinguished service, a few weeks ago, by rescuing 305 men from a British ship that had been torpedoed. The many friends of Lieut. Bagley will be pleased to learn of his rescue.

Worse Than Battlefield

St. John, N. B., Dec. 7.—The battlefields of Europe do not provide a parallel to the scenes witnessed at Halifax, in the opinion of Duncan Gray, who arrived here today. He was engaged inspecting ships in a bay, on the water front, an enemy torpedo before the building collapsed. This is his story: "A few seconds after the explosion a gust of wind swept through the shed and the down came pillars, boards and beams. I rushed to the open air, the sight that met my gaze was the worst that I hope ever to see. I have been in the trenches in France. I have gone over the top. Friends and comrades have been shot in my presence. I have seen scores of dead men lying upon the battlefield, but the sight that greeted me yesterday was a thousand times worse and far more pathetic. I saw people lying around under timbers, stones and other debris; some battered beyond recognition and others groaning in their last agonies. Rushing here and there, I struggled to assist them and as near as I can remember pulled 22 men and children from under the wreckage. As I was right in the affected district, I witnessed the full horror of the situation. Partially blinded by the smoke from burnt dwellings, I groped around assisting some of the poor mothers and little ones who were running about screaming and searching vainly for lost ones, in many instances never to be seen again. I struggled on, coming across more and more bodies of dead men, women and children. Death was everywhere. Flames were sweeping a wide pathway for themselves. Doomed structures were belching forth great volumes of smoke from doors and windows. The district was a living hell. Half strangled by the smoke, I kept pulling out bodies from under beams and fallen chimneys and under wreckage. Some of the bodies were without clothing. Many were so mutilated that it was difficult to realize that they were human. Some men were virtually demented. Thinking only of their wives and children, they dashed about in the burning debris hazarding their lives with the single thought of rescuing their own. I shall never forget how I felt in that hour. I saw little children running along, some with blood streaming from them. All were crying for their parents who fathers and mothers raced about in frenzy. I have never seen anything so pathetic, even on the battlefields."

Stomach Trouble and Constipation.

Those who are afflicted with stomach trouble and constipation should read the following. "I have never found anything so good for stomach trouble and constipation as Chamberlain's Tablets. I have used them off and on now for the past two years. They not only regulate the action of the bowels but stimulate the liver and keep one's body in a healthy condition," writes Mrs. Benjamin Hooper, Auburn, N. Y. adv.

The Interned Germans.

From the Weekly War News Digest. The interned Germans at the station at Hot Springs, N. C., are not prisoners of war. They comprise officers and crews of the German merchant vessels which were held in the United States at the time of declaration of war. These aliens receive no funds from the government except compensation for labor actually performed. Those engaged in construction work get \$20 a month, with an additional \$5 to foremen. Interned officers have not been permitted to receive from any source more than \$10 a month and crewmen not more than \$5. Receipts in excess of these amounts are placed to the credit of the aliens in banks. There plain but substantial meals are prepared each day. There is no waste, the same measures of economy and conservation which are being urged upon ever American housewife being practiced at Hot Springs.

How to Prevent Croup.

In a child that is subject to attacks of croup, the first indication of the disease is hoarseness. Give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as the child becomes hoarse and the attack may be ward off and all danger and anxiety avoided. adv

The North Carolina Methodist Episcopal Conference will hold its next session at Goldsboro next fall.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

This is not only of the best and most efficacious medicine for cough, colds and croup, but is also pleasant and safe to take, which is important when medicine must be given to children. Many mothers have given it their unqualified endorsement. adv

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.

SALE OF LAND

offer for sale to the highest bidder, for cash the lands therein described, to-wit: 1st tract—Beginning at a cedar corner of W. S. Burns' land on the west side of a big gulley in the Manning heirs line, running east with the Manning line 62 poles to a pine on the east side of said gulley; thence north 12 poles to the center of a large stone pile in the eastern side; a mark d line 16 poles to stone pile in W. S. Burns' line, thence west with W. H. Burns' line 12 poles to W. S. Burns' corner, near to and on the eastern side of a big gulley; thence northward with the center of said gulley and crossing said gulley about 32 poles to place of beginning, containing 121.8 acres, more or less. 2nd tract—Beginning at a large gum on the bank of Georges creek, running east 100 poles to a cedar on the 121.8 rd road on a large gulley; thence northwardly with the gulley 52 poles to a cedar on the west side; a gulley in John Manning's line; thence westwardly with Manning's line to a stone pile; thence north 13 poles to 20 poles to a dogwood in the field; thence south 70 west 22 poles to a stake; thence south 55 west 12 poles to a sweet gum at the spring, leaving the spring on R. M. Burns' side; thence north 20 poles to the middle of the spring branch 24 poles to a small sweet gum in said branch; thence south 64 west 20 poles to a persimmon corner, at the lower end of Byrd lake in Georges creek; thence down the creek to a mark d line, 20 poles to the beginning, containing 55 acres, more or less, excepting from this named tract, however, about 17 acres heretofore sold to J. R. Burns on the south end. 3rd tract—Beginning at a stump, John Gunter's corner; running west 172 poles to W. H. Sex oven's corner; thence south 42 west 33 poles to a dogwood in R. M. Burns' field; thence south 9 east 12 poles to a stake, passing and pine pole there; thence west 20 poles to a cedar on the west side of a gulley; thence north 42 east 35 poles to the beginning, containing 34 acres, and being the tract of land conveyed to John Manning by W. S. Burns, in book BN, at page 498, and conveyed to W. S. Burns by Mrs. Louise Manning, devisee of John Manning, by deed dated January 10th, 1906, in book DV, at page 720. 4th tract—Beginning at a dogwood and running north 28 poles to a light wood stake, west corner of a field; thence west 100 poles to a dogwood on the public road; thence with the public road to W. S. Burns' land; thence with W. S. Burns' line to the beginning, containing 25 acres and being the R. M. Burns home tract. H. H. HAYES, Mortgagee Nov. 28, 1917.

NOTICE OF SALE OF VALUABLE FARM LAND

notice is hereby given that under the authority of the powers conferred upon me in a deed of trust executed by G. C. Crockett and wife, M. E. Nathan, G. and M. E. Nathan on October 2, 1916, which deed is in the office of the register of deeds of Chatham county in book FG of mortgages, at page 117-118, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said deed, a sale, and a deed, to be had by me, made upon the terms and conditions set forth in the said deed, and the holders of said notes to sell said land described therein under the powers therein conferred will, on

Saturday, December 22, 1917, at 10:30 a. m.,

offer for sale to public auction, on the high and best bidder, for cash, on the premises, that certain acre of land, lying a d being in William township, Chatham county, adjoining the lands of J. E. O'Kelly, R. H. Beavers and others, being more particularly described and delineated as follows, to-wit: Lying and being between the waters of Northeast and New Hope creeks and on the Fayetteville road, beginning at a stake in R. H. Beaver's line and running north 32 poles to a stake; thence westward to a stake on the Fayetteville road; thence up said road to a post oak stump; thence westward to a stake in the mouth of the lane near G. S. O'Kelly's; thence south to C. S. H. Heman's line; thence east with said line across the road to a Spanish oak, Beaver's corner; thence north to a hickory, Beaver's corner; thence east to the first station and containing 76 acres, in or less, and being the land conveyed by J. O. Beavers and wife by deed to J. M. Arthur and wife, dated Nov. 23, 1909, and duly recorded in the office of the register of deeds of Chatham county, in book EN, page 536. Also a certain tract of land conveyed to J. D. Long by deed to C. G. Crockett and M. E. Nathan, trading as Crockett-Nathan-Crockett Company, dated October 12, 1916, and recorded in the office of register of deeds of Chatham county, in book S, page 215. Further reference is hereby made to deed from D. W. Long and wife, Mabelle Blanche Long, to C. G. Crockett and M. E. Nathan, trading as Crockett-Nathan-Crockett Company, dated October 12, 1916, and recorded in the office of register of deeds of Chatham county, in book S, page 215. This November 23, 1917. S. W. GRISWOLD, Trustee.

The School News

JULIA JOHNSON, Class Editor.

Mrs. Bynum will give a musical recital Friday afternoon which will begin at 2:15 o'clock.

The two societies will join together next Friday afternoon week and will observe "North Carolina Day." There will be no school in the afternoon. The public is invited.

5th, 6th and 7th grades—There are two new members of the Red Cross in these grades, Agnes Gunter and George Brooks.

The girls in these grades have charge of the opening exercises Wednesday morning. A Red Cross program will be rendered.

The following had good reading and good spelling lessons for the week: 3rd grade—McKinley Abernethy, Ernest Bland, Watts Farthing, Bernard Harris, Roscoe Johnson, Willie Morgan, Louise Brooks, Ruth Gunter, Margaret Clark, Zelma Johnson, Ida Riddle.

4th grade—Annie Harris, Clarence Clarke, Roland Farrell, Harry Bell, Robert Bland, Haughton Boone, Wyeth Ray.

Chamberlain's Tablets.

Chamberlain's Tablets are indicated especially for constipation, biliousness and indigestion, and have not with much success in the treatment of these diseases. People who have suffered for years with stomach trouble and have been unable to obtain any permanent relief, have been completely cured by the use of the tablets. Chamberlain's Tablets are also of great value for biliousness. Chronic constipation may be permanently cured by taking Chamberlain's Tablets without observing the plain printed directions with each bottle. adv

Tax Notice.

To the Taxpayers of Chatham Co.: For your convenience I will be at the following places on the dates mentioned below and ask you to please meet me and settle your 1917 taxes. Please make this the last call. Do not delay, but come forward and settle promptly as I MUST COLLECT.

Table with columns for date and location. Includes Wells, Thursday morning; Bob Smith's Store, Thursday afternoon; Bear Creek, Coggins & Pitts Store, Friday (all day); Bonie, Bank of Bonie, Saturday (all day); J. M. Jordan's Store, Monday morning; J. M. Sanders' Store, Monday afternoon; Hugh Peoples' Residence, Tuesday morning; Reeves Chapel, Wozble's Store, Tuesday afternoon; Ore Hill, Wednesday morning; Siler City, Hadley Hotel, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, December 20, 21 and 22.

In the meantime, the office will be open where you can settle your taxes also. Thanking you for the manner in which you have heretofore met me, and asking and urging all to please meet me and settle taxes due, I am Very respect fully, LEON T. LANE, Sheriff.

CONDENSED STATEMENT of the condition of THE BANKING Loan and Trust Co. Sanford, N. C. Jonesboro, N. C. at the close of business Nov. 20, 1917. RESOURCES: Loans and discounts \$553,182 38; Stocks and Liberty Bonds 26,950 00; Furniture and fixtures 6,143 96; Real estate 5,515 13; Cash and due from banks 89,635 21; Total \$481,426 68. LIABILITIES: Capital stock \$ 25,000 00; Undivided profits 12,393 50; Reserved for interest 1,112 31; Deposits 442,920 37; Total \$481,426 68. DEPOSITS: November 20, 1917, \$194,087 52; November 20, 1916: \$279,713 22; November 20, 1917, \$442,920 37.

BANK of PITTSBORO Capital stock paid in \$10,000 Surplus and Profits \$ 9,500 Your Banking business solicited and every accommodation extended to depositors consistent with prudent banking methods. Four per cent paid on time certificate deposits. ARTHUR H. LONDON, President. M. T. WILLIAMS, Cashier.

Do Your Christmas Shopping Early CHRISTMAS APPAREL FOR WOMEN Magnificent Values Offered, Including Coats, Suits, Dresses, Gift Furs and Blouses. Coat Suits \$19.75, \$1.95, \$24.95. Briella Coat Suits \$9.95. Best Coat Suits \$39.50 and 32.50. Waists from \$1.98 up to 3.98. Christmas Special Waist 79c each. Ladies' black wool Coats \$ 9.95. Heavy all-wool Velour Coats 14.95. Girls and Young Misses \$1 to 9.95. Hats from 93c up to 5.00.

Narobia guaranteed Furs. Won't rip, fade or shed. \$4.98 to 47.50. Christmas Dress Sale \$12.45 began Monday. Heavy Serge dresses, beautiful heavy Satin Dresses, season shades. Big assortment styles, from \$12.45 to 18.50.

HUDSON-BLICK COMPANY In Commercial Bank Building, RALEIGH, N. C. 17 Stores Sell For Less for Cash.

Special Sale For All the Month of December on Men's and Boys' Clothing Ladies' Coats, Coat Suits, Men's, Ladies' and Children's Star Brand Shoes. Table of prices: \$20 Men's Suit \$14 70; 15 Blue Serge \$ 9 98; 12 50 " " 7 50; 1 00 Boys' Suits, ex siz 6 95; 7 50 Blue Serge \$ 4 95; 00 " " 2 48; \$30 00 Ladies' Coat Suits \$19 00; 25 00 " " 14 95; 15 00 " " 7 99; 10 00 " " 6 75; \$30 00 Ladies' Coats \$19 40; 27 50 " " 14 50; 20 00 " " 14 35; 15 00 " " 10 95; 12 50 " " 7 95. Children's Coats \$8 98; Children's Skirts \$1 99; Children's Coats \$1 99; Ladies' Waist \$ 49; Ladies' Blouse \$ 39; Ladies' Hats \$3 99; Ladies' Ties \$ 2 95; Ladies' Shoes \$ 1 95; Ladies' Socks \$ 1 25; Ladies' Garters \$ 98.

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