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NOTABLES WILL BE HERE NEXT SUNDAY

Wounded Canadian Soldier, Congressman Robinson and Garrett Will Speak at Red Cross Rally at Court House Sunday Afternoon.

Next Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock the big Anson county Red Cross rally will take place in the court house.

Tuesday Mr. W. P. Parsons, chairman of the Anson Red Cross campaign, received a telegram from Hon. L. D. Robinson stating that he would be present and would bring with him Congressman Daniel E. Garrett, of Texas, who will speak.

RED CROSS DRIVE ON.

The Red Cross drive began Monday, and will last until next Monday. The committees of the various townships, the names of whose members have been heretofore published by The M. & I., are hard at work and are achieving success.

COMMENCEMENT CONTESTS.

The contestants in the high school and 7th grade declamation contests, which will be held next Monday night, are:

High School recitation contest—Misses Sarah Wall Griggs, Sadie Hendley, Pauline Carpenter.

High School declamation contest—John Gray, Walter Higgins, Walter Thomas Tice.

Seventh grade contest—Gertrude Turton, Francis Smith, Laura Virginia Via.

The story telling contest for the 1st and second grades will be held tomorrow. The contestants are:

First grade—Charles Gamble, Robert LeGrande, William Jewell, Robert Batten, Robert Marsh, Agnes Parker.

Second grade—Mary Helen Brock, Walter Thomas Rose, Helen Walker, Edna Bennett, Lee Gray, Harriet Musselwhite.

The program of the commencement exercises was given last week. Sunday night Rev. J. J. Douglas will deliver the commencement sermon. Monday night the various contests will take place, and on Tuesday night Prof. N. W. Walker will deliver the commencement address, and the prizes and diplomas will be awarded.

SICKNESS AT ROCKINGHAM.

Mr. A. C. Carpenter returned yesterday morning from Rockingham, where his son, Mr. Lee Carpenter, the latter's wife and his 5-year-old son are all ill, and especially the little boy. The 20-months-old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Carpenter died last Saturday, and was buried here in Eastview cemetery Sunday, Rev. W. H. Reddick holding the funeral services. The baby had the same disease.

Mr. Carpenter states that quite a number of Rockingham people have the disease, and there have been several deaths. The doctors are puzzled as to the source of the infection, as it is not believed the water is to blame.

NITRATE OF SODA COMING.

Mr. W. Henry Liles has received a letter from the department of agriculture stating that about 450 tons of nitrate of soda for Anson county farmers is expected to arrive at Wilmington not later than June 1st. Of course, there may be delays, but this is the expectation. It will probably take a few days longer for the soda to get started from Wilmington to the Anson county towns, but it should reach here in the early part of June.

The government is bringing in soda just as rapidly as possible, and is apportioning it so that each section will receive its proportionate part. Those farmers who have ordered soda will be notified when it arrives here.

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WHAT A CONTRAST.

All students of the negro Agricultural and Technical College of North Carolina at Greensboro the other day, pledged themselves not to use any more wheat bread until after the coming harvest.

How differently does this action contrast with a certain class of Anson county, who seem to think it is smart to evade the food regulations, by slipping around from one store to another and buying more flour than they are entitled to.

Some tenants or employees are annoying their landlords and their supply merchants by continually asking for more flour than they are entitled to. Some have gone so far as to say that the white people are forcing the colored people to eat cornbread, and save the flour for the white people. This is entirely untrue, and it is the opinion of dealers that 66 2-3 per cent and some estimate as high as 75 per cent of the flour sold in Anson county is now being consumed by the colored population.

I believe nearly every dealer in the county is trying to conform with the rules and regulations; and I want to call on each and every dealer to report to me, and every farmer for that matter, the names of all persons who try to buy more flour than they are entitled to.

It seems that some drastic measure will have to be taken for this class of people to put a stop to it.

What a contrast in food regulations in this county and in Germany. Here we are asked to use only one and one-half pounds of wheat flour per week for each person and you may eat as much cornbread, grits, hominy, and potatoes as you want. You are not limited as to the amount of meat you eat, but you are simply requested by the Government to use all meats and fats as sparingly as possible.

In Germany after June 15th, the food regulations will be: One person to 7 Oz. of bread of any kind, and 5 Oz. of meat per week. These contrasts show how necessary it is to keep our fighting forces in fighting trim, and what Uncle Sam is doing with his navy in keeping supplies out of Germany.

U. B. BLALOCK, County Food Administrator.

LAND TRANSFERS.

The following real estate deeds have been registered during the past week:

David Cox and wife to Darling High; 34 acres adjoining S. W. Birmingham and others; consideration, \$900.

H. H. McLendon, executor of M. A. Polk, to C. W. Thomas and others; 480 acres; consideration, \$8,100.

H. J. Wall to Mrs. Mary Kalaras; Lilesville lot; consideration, \$75.

T. A. Horne, D. A. Seago and S. L. Lindsey, commissioners, have reported their division of the land of the late Abner Seago among the heirs. There is about 368 acres of this land.

W. L. Rose to Wm. B. Rose; one acre in western part of town; for \$10 and other considerations.

NOTICE TO ALL DEALERS

I have on hand a supply of sugar certificates for use by merchants in selling sugar in excess of 5 or 10 lbs. to customers who desire it for canning or preserving purposes. I will be glad to hand these out to you by your calling on the bookkeeper at the Black-Allen Auto. Co., for them, or you can write to the State Food Administrator at Raleigh, and they will be mailed to you.

Notice to Drug Stores, Soda Fountains, Ice Cream Manufacturers, and Candy Manufacturers, Etc.

You will be allowed 80 per cent of your last year's consumption of sugar, provided you write to Raleigh for blanks for making out your sworn statement as to the amount you used last year, certificates will be furnished you for your this year's supply.

U. B. BLALOCK, County Food Administrator.

"Yes, Ise registered all right, and Ise already concreted. What you gonna join, de infamy or de navy?" "No calvary for me. Ise gona in dat infamy. When de gen'ral sounds de word 'Retreat,' dis nigger don't want to be bothered with no boss."—Exchange.

WILL REGISTER JUNE 5TH.

All Who Have Become 21 in Past Year Must Register—Registration Place in Courthouse.

President Wilson has now signed the law requiring all men who have become 21 since June 5, 1917, to register, and the registration date has been definitely fixed as Wednesday, June 5, 1918. Instead of having registration places in each precinct, as was the case last year, there will be only one registration place this year, that being in the court house here.

Mr. H. H. McLendon, chairman of the local exemption board, will have charge of the registration, and will have as assistants the following: L. G. Atkinson, C. S. Brasington, F. S. Tillman, W. T. Rose, L. D. Rivers, W. C. Hardison.

It is estimated that about 200 men will register in Anson, and of this number, according to past experience, about 150 will be liable to military duty.

It is very important that every man liable to registration know of the date and place, and those who read this notice are requested to take pains and see that every man is informed. The penalty for evading registration is one year's imprisonment, and it is stated that registration evaders will not be dealt with as leniently in the future as they have been in the past.

It is reported that after June 5th men becoming 21 will be registered every three months, but this has not been confirmed.

PROCLAMATION.

Day of Fasting and Prayer Next Thursday Will Be Observed With Union Service at Baptist Church—Proclamation by Mayor Blalock.

In accordance with the proclamation of President Wilson, next Thursday will be observed in Wadesboro as a day of fasting and prayer. There will be a union service at the Baptist church at 11 A. M. Mayor U. B. Blalock has issued the following proclamation:

"In accordance with the express wishes of our beloved president, Woodrow Wilson, and our most excellent governor, Hon. T. W. Bickett, I, U. B. Blalock, mayor of Wadesboro hereby urge and request all citizens of whatever political faith or creed, to observe Thursday, May 30th, as a day of fasting and prayer, setting aside your own business affairs; in order that you may think seriously of the duties imposed upon our brave boys, who have gone forth to fight your battles and mine. In order that you may think seriously upon the duties resting upon us, to see that they are properly armed and equipped, properly clothed and fed, most urgently do I request that all shops, offices, factories, and places of business close from 10:30 to 12:30, in order that they may attend the union services by the pastors of the town to be held at the Baptist church at 11 o'clock. All people of the county are especially invited to this service. "This May 21st, 1918. "U. B. BLALOCK, Mayor."

From an account of an Oregon wedding: "The bridegroom's present to the bride was a handsome diamond brooch, together with many other beautiful things in cut glass."

THE CANDIDATES.

No One Can Be Voted for in the Primary June 1st Who Did Not File Notice by Last Saturday—Those Without Opposition Declared Nominated.

The law requires that all candidates who wish to be voted for in the primary June 1st must have filed their notices on or before last Saturday. The county board of elections met last Monday and went over the list of the local candidates. Those who have no opposition were declared nominated, and will not be voted on in the primary.

The candidates for county and township offices for which there are contests are:

For Representative—T. C. Coxe, D. W. Smith, E. D. Myers. For Sheriff—F. M. Hightower, W. S. Braswell, I. F. Thomas. Coroner—Dr. G. M. Chapman, John C. Jones. Cotton weigher at Wadesboro—J. E. Gray, W. D. Howell. Cotton weigher at Morven—Henry S. Liles, J. S. Liles.

Candidates Declared Nominated. County Commissioners—Dr. J. E. Hart, R. L. Hardison, R. G. Austin. Clerk of Court—W. K. Boggan. Register of Deeds—B. H. Crowder. Treasurer—S. H. Gaddy.

Constable—Wadesboro, J. F. Tice; Lilesville, J. T. Henry; Morven, W. C. Stegall; White Store, H. G. Dutton. Justice of the Peace—Lilesville, W. R. Hough, M. C. Maness; Morven, H. C. Huntley, T. E. Diggs, J. W. Pratt; Lanesboro, J. F. Ross, William T. Allen; Burnsville, Geo. H. Parker. Board of Education—John Leak Little.

There are no Republican candidates for county offices.

The only district or state-wide office for which there is a contest is that for Judge of this judicial district. The candidates are Judge W. J. Adams and Mr. John T. Bennett. Solicitor W. E. Brock is a candidate for re-nomination, and has no opposition.

COUNTY CANVASS.

The county canvass begins at Lilesville this afternoon. Other dates are as follows:

Morven, Friday, May 24, 2:30. Gulledegs, (Cason Old Field), Saturday, May 25, 10:30 A. M. White Store, Monday May 27th, 2:30 P. M. Peachlani, Tuesday, May 28, 10:00 A. M. Polkton, Tuesday, May 28, 3:30 P. M. Burnsville, Wednesday, May 29th, 2:30 P. M. Ansonville, Thursday, May 30th, 2:30 P. M. Wadesboro, Friday, May 31st, 10:30 A. M.

His Credentials.

Mother—I don't like the looks of that little boy you were playing with on the street today. You mustn't play with bad little boys, you know. Son—Oh, but he isn't a bad little boy, mamma. He's a good little boy. He's been to the reformatory school twice and they've let him out each time on account of good behavior.

NO LIMIT, SAYS THE PRESIDENT

President Wilson made a Red Cross speech in New York last Saturday night. Speaking of the army that must be raised he said:

"There are two duties with which we are face to face. The first duty is to win the war. And the second duty, that goes hand in hand with it, is to win it greatly and worthily, showing the real quality of our power not only, but the real quality of our purpose and of ourselves.

"Of course, the first duty, the duty that we must keep in the foreground of our thought until it is accomplished, is to win the war. I have heard gentlemen recently say that we must get five million men ready. Why limit to five million?

"I have asked the Congress of the United States to name no limit because the Congress intends, I am sure, as we all intend, that every ship that can carry men or supplies shall go laden upon every voyage with every man and every supply she can carry.

"And we are not to be diverted from the grim purpose of winning the war by any insincere approaches upon the subject of peace. I can say with a clear conscience that I have tested those intimations and have found them insincere. I now recognize them for what they are, an opportunity to have a free hand, particularly in the east, to carry out purposes of conquest and exploitation."

JURYMAN'S FIRST EXPERIENCE.

Presbyterian Standard. We have just served for the first time on a jury. We were disposed to plead legal exemption, but the judge asked us to waive the exemption, and use the opportunity to serve the community. This seemed a reasonable request, and feeling indebted to the community, we consented.

Should not the servant of the community render a report to the community? The case in which we

what they could to suppress testimony, and in raising objections to everything that looked like progress toward the end at which we were supposed to be aiming. Nevertheless, when the few scattered fragments of evidence which these lawyers could not intercept got before the court, everybody knew to a moral certainty that the two negroes were guilty. The negroes themselves showed plainly that they knew it, the witnesses knew it, the judge knew it, the lawyers knew it in advance, and the jurors knew it, even the foreman of the jury, who did his best not to know anything. Yet in the face of this universal knowledge, there was no conviction. Time was wasted, patience was wasted, and the community was not served.

We could not but wonder if that was the best machinery for enforcing law and grinding out justice, that had been devised in all these Christian centuries. The wisdom of the States is not very obvious. It makes for the detection and punishment of crime. Then it enacts laws to govern its method of procedure which make it possible for a professional class, by the use of their professional knowledge and acquired skill, to prevent the detection and punishment of crime. It increases its difficulty by calling in a number of men to sit as judges of law and evidence, and giving each one power to nullify the whole proceedings, if any jurymen has more regard for his own whims or prejudices than for his oath, the case will not be decided according to law and evidence, but according to the jurymen's whims, or prejudices.

The conclusion at which we have arrived is based on quite limited experience, and we can hardly expect it to have much weight with the authorities; nevertheless, we give it for what it is worth: Hang the lawyers, send the jurors to an asylum for the feeble minded, and give the judge and the witnesses a free hand to deal with the criminals, but the community would be the gainer.

EPISCOPAL WOMEN ARE ALSO GIVEN THE VOTE

Salisbury, May 16.—Woman suffrage in parish elections was made possible by action of the North Carolina diocese of the Episcopal church in convention here today when the law was changed so that women may be granted the suffrage in any parish by a majority vote of the present qualified voters of said parish.

THE WAR.

Airplanes Very Active—Battle May Be About to Start Again—American Aviators Have Prominent Part.

In the past years of the war a period of extraordinary activity by the aerial squadrons of the contending armies in France has been considered as an indication that events were rapidly shaping themselves for an offensive by one side or the other. At the present moment the most notable feature of the war situation is the remarkable work of airmen in various sectors where a German attack is looked for.

This activity has not been restricted to the actual battle area, but far back of each front there have been daring raids. The Rhine cities are being frequently bombed, while Paris has again been in danger of a new German attack from the air.

American aviators have borne a prominent part in this fighting. In the Luneville and Toul sectors they have given a magnificent account of themselves, while further north, and even in the defense of London they have demonstrated their fighting capacity.

German Planes Hindered.

The German plans for a resumption of the offensive in France have been seriously hampered by the sudden blows of allies here and there along the front. The Germans have been forced back at numerous points and new lines which may be more easily defended have been established by the allied nations.

The Americans on their own sectors have given the enemy no rest. The artillery has battered the German lines night and day while the infantrymen have raided German outpost positions and have proved themselves capable of outwitting and outfighting the enemy. General Pershing's men have won several hot fights with the foe and have captured prisoners. A night gas attack was loosed on the Germans by the Americans near Toul, three waves of shells drenching a wooded position at the enemy with

The French, too, have been at work in various sectors, particularly in the Somme region. They have gained ground here, and there at points where positions of tactical value were wrested from the Germans.

British Line Fairly Quiet.

Further north, the British front has been fairly quiet, with tremendous bursts of artillery fire coming at intervals. The German official statement says that British attacks at various points were repulsed.

Reports from headquarters of the French army are that there has been a redistribution of German troops along the entire front. A German attack is expected soon, probably in the Somme region near Albert or on the Avre river, where the German cannon have been thundering for several days, but so far the German general staff has not shown its hand.

It is known that there are great masses of troops within striking distance of the front, and it is believed that when the enemy is ready to strike there will be only brief artillery fire as a prelude to the actual assault by the infantry. The last report from the French war office mentions heavy artillery fire in the Somme region and at Plemont, near Noyon, where there was terrific fighting early in April.

AMERICAN FLYER KILLED.

With the American Army in France Sunday, May 19.—(By the Associated Press.)—Major Raoul Lufbery, who had been regarded as the best aviator in the American service, was shot down in flames and killed this morning by a big German tri-plane which he was attacking. Lufbery jumped from his flaming plane when 800 yards above the ground. He had 17 victories to his credit. The Americans on the ground and hundreds of French men and women going to church along the country roads were horror-stricken as they saw the airplane like a ball of fire plunging earthward. Suddenly they saw the form of a man leap from the machine.

Lufbery's body fell in a little flowering garden while his airplane, still burning dropped to the ground 400 yards away. By the time the first Americans had reached the spot the body of the famous fier had been taken to the little city hall where it later was covered with the French tricolor and great piles of roses and wild flowers.

OLD PAPERS FOR SALE—APPLY AT THE M. & I. OFFICE

Vote Saturday at Court House

The Graded School Trustees have pledged themselves not to levy or collect this 10c tax while Wadesboro gets the additional amount (\$2,193.00) from the county authorities, promised "for one year only." Either way you will pay an additional tax of not exceeding (\$1.00) one dollar on the thousand.

If you vote for the 10c, it will put your school on a more permanent and a sounder financial basis. The one-year offer is like sending an army to the front with the equipment and supplies following on vessels that may be submarined.

(Advertisement.)