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BRITAIN NEXT TO RECEIVE WARNING

FRANKESTEN IS DETERMINED TO MAINTAIN THE STRICTEST NEUTRALITY. DENIES THE EXISTENCE OF BLOCKADE.

EXPLAINS HIS POSITION

U. S. Cannot afford to Surrender to Bryan. Bryan Makes Statement. Note to Germany Has Been Sent.

Washington, D. C., June 10.—Determined to go to the very limit in an effort to maintain the strictest neutrality, the administration is preparing a note to Great Britain in preparation of a note to Germany in uncertain terms against the British blockade of neutral ports.

The effect of this note, when it goes, will offset the German-American feeling that the United States is bowing to Great Britain and at the same time assuming a martial and uncompromising attitude toward Germany.

President Wilson has confided to a few of his advisers that the note to Great Britain is being prepared. Not even a rough draft of it has been completed but it is positively said that the note will be ready for transmission to London within three weeks and probably much sooner.

The President's Position. The President stands unalterably on the principle that the United States at this stage in its history cannot afford to surrender any of its rights, that the American people had fought in 1913 for their rights on the high seas, and would not surrender these rights with the slightest ease and shown in a position of weakness as a simple matter.

Bryan Explains. In his explanation Mr. Bryan revealed that the President had not felt justified in adopting two suggestions made by his Secretary of State—that an offer should be made to Germany to submit the question in dispute with the United States to an international commission for investigation during a year's time and that meanwhile Americans should be prohibited from carrying arms or on American vessels carrying munitions. These propositions Mr. Bryan expects to urge upon the people "in the hope of securing such an expression of public sentiment as will support the President in employing these remedies in the future he finds it consistent with his sense of duty to favor them."

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY SPECIALS.

- Arbutuck's Coffee, per lb., 15c
- Highest Grade Butter, per lb., 35c
- Armour's Star Ham, per lb., 18c
- F. P. V. Ham, per lb., 30c
- Morgan & Gray Shoulders, lb., 14c
- Ham But Pork, per lb., 11c
- Finest Table Peaches, worth 35c, per doz., 25c
- Very Best Triples, worth 25c, per doz., 19c
- Pure Lard, worth 15c, per lb., 13 1/2c
- Compound Lard, worth 15c, lb., 14c
- For Men, Guaranteed \$1.00 Shirts at 40c
- Guaranteed \$2.00 Shirts at 80c
- Guaranteed \$1.00 Overalls at 50c
- Guaranteed \$2.00 Overalls at 1.00
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COUNTY COMMISSIONERS DECIDE ON A TAX LEVY

Are Liberal in Donations for County Road Purposes. Other Important Matters Taken Up.

At the meeting of the county commissioners this week, the tax levy for the year of 1915 was fixed, funds were donated for "good road" work in the county, a request for a special school tax election was granted and a number of other important matters were decided upon and discussed.

The commissioners ordered that the board donate upon the completion of a good road, from Aurora to Washington on the south side of the river, the sum of \$500 and that a like sum be donated upon the completion of a good road on the north side of the river from Leesville to Washington.

Messrs. Hardison and Wynn, road commissioners of Washington township, came before the board and stated that for the lack of money they could not use the convicts for the month of July. It was ordered that the convicts be hired out; Richmond township next month.

The following taxes were ordered levied by the board for the year 1915:

Levied for State purposes by an act of the General Assembly on every \$100 worth of property.	
For State purposes,	28 2-3.
For Pensions,	04
For Schools,	20
Total,	47 2-3.

That there be levied for county purposes in addition to the State tax:

General purposes,	.19
Bridges,	.18 1-2.
Interest on \$12,500, bond issue 1905, sinking fund,	.03.
Interest on \$25,000, bond issue 1905, sinking fund,	.02.
Interest on \$50,000, bond issue 1912, sinking fund,	.03.
Which makes the tax levied by both State and county,	\$.86.
Levied by the State on each poll or school, \$1.50.	
Levied by the State on each poll or mansion, \$1.12.	
Levied by the county on each poll or county purposes,	\$.35.
That \$.30 on each \$100 worth of property and \$.80 on each poll shall be levied and collected for the following school districts: Springs Creek, Oregon, Campbell's Creek, Royal, Idalia, Prescott, Small, Cayton, Edwards, Chocowinity, Penny, Secklin, Moore, Old Ford, Pineville, Nathan's Cross Roads, North Creek, Jaylords, Winstead, Magnolia and Pine-town.	
That \$.02 1-2 be levied per acre on the stock law districts in Washington township for fencing said district.	
That \$.25 be levied on each \$100	

valuation of property in the stock law districts in Long Acre township for fencing said district.

That \$.20 on each \$100 worth of property be levied for road purposes in Washington, Long Acre, Bath and Chocowinity and \$.10 in the city of Washington.

That \$.25 on each poll be levied for road purposes in Long Acre, Chocowinity and Washington township, outside of the city of Washington.

That \$.20 on each poll be levied for road purposes in Bath township.

That \$.10 on each \$100 worth of property be levied for road purposes in Belhaven road district.

That \$.10 on each \$100 worth of property be levied in Richmond township for road purposes.

It was further ordered that the maximum special taxes upon Trades, Businesses and Professions be levied for the use of the county as contained in the acts of the general assembly.

The tax for general county purposes, which was 88 cents, has been reduced to 85 cents.

A petition, signed by the required number of free holders in the section of Blounts and Yeates creeks, asking that an election be held in that territory on the question of special taxes for school purposes. The commissioners ordered the election for Thursday, July 15th. The voting place will be at L. O. Cratch's new house. L. O. Cratch was appointed registrar and A. S. Cratch and D. B. Cox were appointed poll holders.

It was ordered that the attorney to the board request the engineer of the War Department to relieve the county of the burden of maintaining a draw in the bridge across Runyon's Creek. This is not a Norfolk Southern railroad company, whose bridge is a few yards above the county bridge, hence no services is accorded to any possible traffic through the said county bridge.

The board of education appeared before the commissioners and requested the board to levy a special school tax of seven cents on the \$100 valuation of property and 2 cents on each taxable poll in accordance with section 8, chapter 33, of the public laws of 1913. The board, after a careful consideration of the question, passed a resolution, finding the tax unnecessary and to the effect that the total tax rate, including school, road and drainage taxes, is already excessive, and any further increase at this time will only work a hardship on the tax payers of the county and also impair the levy was refused.

Big Season For Ocean View

J. A. Tucker, Manager of "The Virginia Bay," Predicts Success for Popular Summer Resort.

That Ocean View, "The Atlantic City of the South," will have the best year of its existence this season, was the sentiment expressed this morning by J. A. Tucker, manager of the Hotel Louise of Washington. Mr. Tucker returned this morning from Ocean View, leaving Mrs. Tucker and daughter there, where they will remain during the greater part of the summer. He stated that preparations are being made for the opening of the Virginia Bay hotel and that a large number of Washington people have already told him of their intention of spending their vacation at that popular hotel. Mr. Tucker also said that the damage, caused by recent storms, has been entirely repaired, and that the beach is more beautiful than ever.

WAR PICTURES TONIGHT WITH TWO OTHERS.

The New Theatre has a very strong bill for tonight. The "Hearst-Selig" pictorial news will be shown tonight in which there will be a good many war pictures of Europe. Then "Cupid's Column," a very strong Vitagraph, as well as "By a Strange Road," a splendid Essanay picture, will be shown. This should be now

Robbery At Pantego

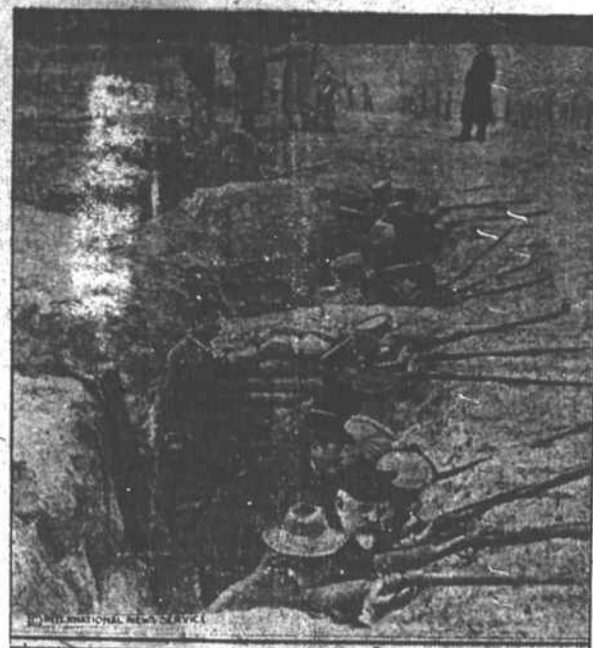
Smoke House of S. V. Small Entered and 150 Pounds of Meat Stolen. Thief Still at Large.

The smoke house of S. V. Small, of Pantego was broken into and 150 pounds of meat stolen. Mr. Small, as soon as he discovered the robbery, notified the sheriff and a search was made in all of the colored houses in the vicinity. No trace of the meat was found. The next day a bloodhound was brought from Elizabeth City to help the police in their search for the guilty party. The animal proceeded directly from the smoke house to the home of George Russell, a negro. Russell was arrested and carried back to the smoke house. A large footprint had been discovered near the smoke house and Russell's pedal track was compared with this track. It was found to be one-half inch shorter. No meat being found at his home and no further evidence being against him, he was released.

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showing these war pictures every Thursday night. No doubt they will have a full house tonight.

DRILLING GERMAN CITIZEN ARMY



Heads of boys' schools in Germany and some of their pupils in an improvised trench receiving instructions from a drill sergeant.

CITY ISSUES REPORT ON TAX LEVY

TAX RATE FOR THIS YEAR IS A REDUCTION OF FIVE CENTS.

RATE NOW \$1.50

State Prepared by Board of Aldermen, Showing What is Being Done.

To the Citizens of Washington: The Board of Aldermen are pleased to announce that we can take care of the additional bond issue for the sewerage and the fire alarm system without increasing the tax rate. In connection herewith I would like to say that to take care of the issue of bonds of \$150,000.00 issued on January 1st, 1913, our tax rate amounted to \$1.55. I also wish to say that at that time there had been but one sinking fund established for all the previous issues.

We have since this time established a sinking fund for all issues according to law. We have issued \$50,000.00 worth of additional bonds for water and electric plant; issued \$25,000.00 worth of wharf bonds; purchased a motor truck for \$6,000.00, paying \$2,000.00 in cash and \$1333.33 (first installment) with 5 per cent interest paid out an additional \$2480.00 for resurfacing streets and are taking care of the additional bond issue recently voted upon, reduced the rate five cents last year and leaving the rate remain as it is.

In other words there has been issued \$120,000 in bonds and sinking funds established for same; paid for resurfacing streets, purchased motor truck and paid part on same and reduced our tax rate five cents. The revenues derived from the city utilities have taken care of this difference.

F. C. KUGLER, Mayor.

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaning uncalled for in this office for the week ending June 7th, 1915.

Men. Ament, Earl; Brown, W. A.; Gass, Alex; Grims, Alfred; Gibbs, Rufus; Malom, Z. T.; Newbold, Jerry; Roblin, W. R.; Staton, W. A. (3); White Hdw. Co.; Washington Tailoring Co.

Women. Brown, Miss Carrie; Chatman, Alice; Carter, Miss Annie; Hollowell, Miss Annie; Lewis, Mrs. Janie. These letters will be sent to the dead letter office June 31st, 1915, if not delivered before. In calling for the above, please say "Advertised" giving date of list. N. HENRY MOORE, P. M.

POLICE SEIZE QUANTITY OF LIQUOR

TRUNK CONTAINED ONE HUNDRED PINTS OF HIGH-GRADE WHISKEY.

2 TRUNKS SENT

Ware at Depot Last Night. Owners Managed to Smuggle One Out of Reach of Police.

Two trunks, each suspected of containing a large amount of liquor, were received at the Norfolk Southern depot yesterday. One of the trunks was taken away last night, the other is at present at police headquarters.

The police noticed the shipment of the trunks from this city to Norfolk about two weeks ago. They suspected for what purpose they were going to be used and put a careful watch on all freight and express shipments that have been coming to Washington since then. Last night the two trunks arrived. Officer Hodges was at the station to lay for the man who was suspected of being the owner. He trailed one man around the station and while he was gone, someone smuggled off one of the trunks. The other opened by the police and found to contain one hundred pints of liquor, bottled in bond and of a high quality.

The police are busily engaged on the case today and expect to solve the mystery of the stolen trunk and bring the guilty parties to court.

Meeting Of Commission

Public Service Commission of City Held First Meeting Last Night.

The newly elected public service commission, composed of Messrs. Hoyt, Fowle and Bowers with Mayor Kugler as ex-officio chairman, held their first meeting at the city hall last night.

A general discussion of civic affairs was indulged in, but no definite action was taken on any project, the meeting being held chiefly for the purpose of getting the commission together and making arrangements for the coming year. It was decided that the regular meeting night of the commission be the first Tuesday after the first Monday of each month.

Daily Thought. Youth comes but once in a lifetime. Therefore, let us so enjoy it as to be still young when we are old.—Lew-ist-er.

WILL HOLD MEETING TO DISCUSS ROADS

MEET TONIGHT TO DISCUSS LIGHTING

TO DECIDE ACTION REGARDING THE "WHITE WAY" MOVEMENT.

FINAL DISPOSAL

Results of Meeting Tonight Will Settle Fate of the Project. A Large Attendance Urged.

Definite action regarding the proposed "white way" movement in Washington will be decided on at a meeting which is to be held tonight in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce at 8:30 and which all tenants and property owners along Main street, from the A. C. L. Depot to Market street and from there to Second street, are requested to be present.

The project will be thoroughly discussed at tonight's meeting. The cost of the system, the method of lighting, the cost of maintenance and the possibility of raising the necessary funds, will all be taken up and scene over. It is urgently requested that all the interested parties in this project be at tonight's meeting in order that the general sentiment of the people may be ascertained.

Couldn't Shake Wife And Kids

Colored Resident of Belhaven Finds His Dreams of Happiness and Peace Suddenly Shattered.

Belhaven, N. C., June 10.—One of Belhaven's colored citizens on Monday morning decided that he would like to take a trip to the great city of New York and keep his wife in ignorance of his intention or whereabouts.

Monday morning the head of the house donned his "Sunday-to-night" and with grip in hand wended his way to the Norfolk Southern station where he purchased his ticket for the metropolis. Everything being all smooth, he settled himself snugly down in a seat and waited for the announcement of the conductor "All Aboard."

Also his happiness and contentment soon changed for his wife with no less than a dozen kids appeared and seeing her husband screamed out: "I don't care a cuss whether you go or stay, but you am not going away from dis town unless you take these kids."

Not desiring to be burdened so heavily, the husband with a disconcerted countenance decide to return home with wife and children. No New York for him it seems just now but he says he will depart later.

NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH.

There are three grades of truth namely, the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth. The truth by itself may be false because of what it leaves unsaid, or because while technically correct it is designed to mislead.

The whole truth may be ineffective because it leaves one asking "Well, what are you going to do about it?"

Nothing but the truth involves a grasp and expression of right fundamentals, rounded knowledge, fair play, irresistible appeal.

Nothing but the truth is the standard under which we are advertising and are doing business. We are not satisfied unless our customers are satisfied. If you get unsatisfactory goods from us return them and get your money. J. E. ADAMS & CO.

\$4,000 ALREADY PRACTICALLY ASSURED AS STARTER FOR MOVEMENT. MANY PRIVATE SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE EXPECTED.

TO DISCUSS PROCEDURE

Meeting is to be Held in this City in Near Future. Residents of City and County Invited to be Present.

With \$2,000 already contributed by the people of Aurora, \$1,000 from the board of county commissioners and the probability that over \$1,000 will be raised by the residents of Washington, indications are that Beaufort county is about to make the liveliest fight for good roads that has ever been waged in recent years. The amounts are expected to be increased substantially by the various road commissioners and private subscriptions.

In all parts of the county the demand for good roads is daily becoming more urgent and insistent. Almost every farmer who comes to the city announces the fact that he is willing to do his share and that he hopes the work of improving the roads will begin at once. Reports from Chocowinity, Aurora, Belhaven and other towns in the county, state that the residents of these localities are eager for road development and ready to lend any work in this direction their hearty support.

"Good roads" is the principal topic of conversation on the streets of the city. All classes—business men, professional men, and others—are discussing the movement and offering suggestions as to the best method of procedure. Numerous merchants state that they are willing to contribute liberally in having the work pushed along. The spirit is practically unanimous in favor of improving the roads.

A committee, composed of Capt. Geo. T. Leach, A. M. Dumay and G. C. Morris, appointed by the Chamber of Commerce, are at present at the head of the movement in Washington. Within the next week or two, it is planned to hold a meeting in this city, to which people from all over the county, and especially those residing along the route from here to Aurora, will be invited. It is planned to improve the road from Washington to Aurora first, as arrangements have already been made for funds to cover a part of the cost of the work. It is expected that the road commissioners of Chocowinity township will also lend financial aid in having the work done through their district.

The best method of proceeding with the road work, the class of road that will prove most serviceable, the amount of money required to conduct the work and many other details will be discussed at the meeting, the exact date of which will be announced in a short while.

CONTEST STILL AROUSING INTEREST.

Russ Bros' granola contest is progressing splendidly and great interest is being taken by the contestants in securing the greatest number of votes. Their interest is at fever point just now and every effort is being made to secure this and other prizes. The quality of the prizes is of the highest order and those who have been fortunate in winning them are loud in their praise.

New Theater TO-NIGHT.

- 'HEARSTISELIG NEWS' Events of the World.
 - 'CUPID'S COLUMN' Vitagraph
 - 'BY A STRANGE ROAD' Essanay
- Prices—5c and 10c