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BEGINS SATURDAY—ACTIVITIES OF ORGANIZATION OVER SEAS AND IN THIS COUNTRY—RANDOLPH CHAPTER IS DOING A SPLENDID WORK.

On the first of November the Red Cross will begin its Roll Call campaign for the purpose of re-enlisting its entire membership for the ensuing year and of enrolling as many new members as possible. Every one, whether in or out of service, is familiar with the wonderful work the Red Cross has been doing. Its work is by no means complete, and did not cease when the armistice was signed. On the other hand, possibly its greatest work is yet to be done. It is true that there are no boys in the trenches to be ministered to and no first aid stations to be taken charge of. But a larger number of the boys who were in the trenches have lost their eyesight, a leg, an arm, or have possibly had their health impaired for life. They gladly placed the flower and hope of their young lives on the altar of the world's peace and happiness, and because of their sacrifices have made the world a better place for us to live in. In the short space of a year and a half they lived out the usefulness of their entire lives. For us to neglect our duty to them, to forget what they have done for us, is to be guilty of the basest ingratitude, a spirit that is unworthy of an American citizen. The Red Cross is caring for these helpless soldiers. It is doing our work of mercy and paying our debt of gratitude. If we want to help the soldier who is not able to help himself, we cannot afford to refuse to join the Red Cross.

Not only is the Red Cross doing a wonderful work for the returned soldiers by ministering to the afflicted and assisting others in straightening out their allotment difficulties and aiding the relatives of others in securing their insurance, and a number of other things, thereby saving them thousands of dollars that would otherwise be extorted from them by unscrupulous and unprincipled lawyers, but it has also put on a program at home that easily justifies its existence. Right here in our own county it has organized a nursing association, and with the assistance of the manufacturers of the county has secured the services of Mrs. Mildred Hargrave, a most active and competent educational nurse. She is doing a work the value of which cannot be calculated in dollars and cents. Children who are yet unborn will thank her in future years for what she is doing. She has placed our own county in public health in the very first rank in public health work. Through her efforts the county was the first one in the state to have the benefit of a tuberculosis clinic. Doubtless this alone has saved the lives of a number of the people of our county. A large number of the persons examined were found to have active cases of tuberculosis, and by learning this fact in time they were able to take treatment and affect a permanent cure. In this one instance the saving in human life and usefulness has easily doubly justified the existence of the Red Cross.

In addition to the above work, Mrs. Hargrave is making a complete physical examination of all the school children of the county and is advising their parents of such defects as they have which may be cured by a simple minor operation. A large number of children grow up with their usefulness greatly impaired of some little minor trouble that could have been remedied by a simple operation during their childhood. Mrs. Hargrave is advising parents of these defects, when they exist, and expects to arrange for them to be remedied with practically no expense to the child. Her work is designed for the betterment of our girls and boys of our county and our girls and boys are our greatest asset.

The Red Cross in Randolph county is doing a splendid work at present. It cannot afford to go backwards. It is one of the greatest organizations in the world and every man, woman and child should be a member.

Franklinville News

Protracted meeting at Fair Mount N. P. church began last Thursday night which is being attended by large crowds and much good is being expected.

W. D. Maner, G. C. Russell, M. G. Maner, J. T. Bule, and C. H. Julian attended annual conference of the M. E. church at Greensboro Sunday.

Miss Sula Patterson, of Elon College spent Sunday with home folks.

Tom Black, Lucian Ellison and Colon Cox and family and Chas. Cox and family and G. C. Cox, of Greensboro, were in town Sunday.

Clifford Glasgow has moved into one of J. W. Ellison's houses near Craven Heights.

Bunk Way is visiting at Burlington this week.

Mr. G. Livengood, of Cooleemee, has moved to the W. A. Pugh farm south of town.

Mr. H. S. Edwards and family went to Greensboro one day last week.

Mr. John Sumner, who is attending school at Rutherford College, spent last week at home.

H. B. Kinney and family visited his grandmother at Climax Saturday and Sunday.

A. T. Hobson made a trip to Liberty one day last week.

A. F. Hayes made a business trip to High Point last Thursday.

W. D. Maner, Arthur Jones, Hugh Maner, Misses Estelle Payne, Lola

COUNTY FAIR AT RAMSEUR OPENS ON FRIDAY

The Randolph County Fair at Ramseur will open Friday morning. The management has already booked enough entries in livestock and agricultural exhibits to make it a good fair. Saturday will be the big day of the fair. There are several special features for that day. Among them are: Address by Lieutenant Governor O. Max Gardner, parade in which the school children of the county have been asked to take a part, athletic events, such as foot races, broad jumps, basket ball game between Liberty and Farmer high schools.

A balloon ascension will take place each afternoon. Dare Devil Oliver will dive from a 104 foot ladder each afternoon and at 9 o'clock each night. Will Hopkins with his educated dogs will give three acts each day and each night.

Don't forget that the fair grounds will be open both day and night. People who have to work in the day time can come at night. Will be open until 12 o'clock Saturday night.

Admission at night, only 25 cents.

NEW MARKET BREAKS RECORD

Eight Real Estate Transactions in the Past Sixty Days

It is illuminating to find that New Market is the exception to any other township in the county in the operation of the real estate transactions, which has been executed in the past two months. Some of the farms were sold to tobacco farmers from Stokes county, and others were exchanged among the citizens of the township. It seems that the land has brought an enormous price, but nevertheless, the land in New Market is well improved and some of the best tobacco and wheat growing soils are found in this township, than any other in the county. The following have sold their farms:

A. B. Coltrane, G. W. Richardson, G. R. Bonkemeyer, D. M., M. L., and E. H. Hohn, C. A. Beck, and W. N. Steed.

REV. IRA ERWIN TO NORWOOD

Rev. A. C. Gibbs New Pastor of the Asheboro M. E. Church

Rev. Ira Erwin, who has been the pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church in Asheboro for the past three years was assigned by the conference to the pastorate at Norwood. Mr. Erwin has been a most popular and successful pastor and during his stay in Asheboro has made many friends, not only among his own congregation but among the other denominations of the town. He and his good family will be followed by the kindly interest of their many friends to their new home.

Rev. A. C. Gibbs, who has been pastor of the church at Proximity, succeeds Mr. Erwin. Mr. Gibbs has been in the conference for about eight years and comes highly recommended.

News From Old Trinity

Mr. Marsh Bullard, of Gainesville, Fla. is visiting his mother Mrs. Johnson Parker, of North Main.

Miss Bettie Marsh has been quite ill and is now in a hospital in High Point.

Miss Minnie Leach has quit school and is now clerking in a dry goods store in High Point.

Miss Lanra Boyals is very ill at the hospital.

Mr. Jim White is working for the Snow Lumber Co. in High Point.

Mrs. J. M. Johnson and daughter Miss Blanche made a short visit to relatives in town not long ago.

We understand Mr. John Brame of North Trinity has sold out, dwelling house store and all.

June Boyals bought W. N. Elders house on North Main.

Master Pell Payne had birthday party a few nights ago, and the little folks all had a fine time.

Several from around Trinity are looking in upon Conference proceedings at Greensboro this week.

Mrs. Crissie Clark has returned from Asheboro and is spending some time with Miss Effie White in South Trinity now.

Prof. and Mrs. N. C. English were visiting friends on Johnson Street Sunday evening.

Langley-Staley

The home of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Staley was the scene of a pretty wedding on Thursday, Oct. 15th, at 4:30 o'clock, when their daughter, Miss Rodema, became the bride of Mr. Roy Staley. Flowers of the season were used for decoration in the parlor and dining room the attendants being, Miss Nina Ledman and Mr. Wade Hicks. Only a few immediate friends and relatives were present.

W. D. Frasier, was the officiating justice, after which congratulations were extended and a most delicious supper awaited in the dining hall. The bride wore a traveling suit of Midnight Blue, and carried beautiful bride roses and ferns.

The bride is a young lady of many good qualifications. The groom is a most popular and prosperous young man. He was with the 81st, Division in France.

Mr. and Mrs. Staley will make their home in Greensboro. Their wide circle of friends wish for them a long and happy life.

A friend.

Mitchell, Pears Butler, Pauline Frasier, Mattie Bule, and Mrs. Jennie Craven spent Saturday at Greensboro.

The betterment society will meet at the academy Friday night. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL ITEMS

Captain T. C. Walker of the Philippine Islands, is visiting his parents, Col and Mrs. J. E. Walker. Dr. Walker has been in the United States army for the past twenty years. He was in the medical department of the army during the Spanish-American war, after which he went to the Philippine Islands where he has remained for about ten years. He then spent a few years at Governor's Island New York and afterward returned to the Philippines, where he has been for the past five years.

The Courier is in receipt of the finest cabbage we have seen this season, a gift of Miss Crissie Luther, of Pisgah.

Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Crutchfield have returned from their bridal trip and are at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Caviness on Sunset Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shamburger and Miss Betty Shamburger were in Asheboro Tuesday arranging for the sale of their property at their home at Mechanic on next Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Shamburger expect to move to Chula, Va. the latter part of the week. Miss Betty will make her home with her sister Mrs. Thomas Ascheratt at Monroe.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Cranford attended the Raleigh fair last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Garner and Mrs. F. W. Lawrence of Seagrove No. 1 and Miss Flossie Owen of Steeds No. 1 were in the city shopping Monday.

Mr. J. N. Kerns and daughters of Farmer were visitors in Asheboro yesterday.

Mrs. Wm. M. Coble, aged seventy years, died at her home at Asheboro Route 2 on Sunday night. She was the mother of nine children. Funeral services were conducted at Hopewell church, after which the burial followed.

Mr. and Mrs. Auther Macon, and little daughter of Salisbury are guests of Mr. A. C. Macon.

Mr. C. C. Frazier, of Trinity township, who has been in a hospital at Greensboro for 2 weeks, has returned to his home much improved.

Misses Grace Pressnell, Alice Phillips, and Faye Ferree attended the Adelpian banquet at the North Carolina College for Women on last Saturday night.

Miss Mattie Russell attended the Russell-Cagle marriage at Seagrove last Tuesday.

Mr. B. F. Newby, of Greensboro, is a visitor in the city this week.

OLD HICKORY CAFE OPENS TO-NIGHT

The Old Hickory Cafe will open to-night under the management of Messrs. Reid Hannah and Eugene Gisholm. They have invited as the guest of honor the members of the Woman's Club and the Board of Aldermen of Asheboro. Different persons have been asked to speak on the subject relating to community upbuilding. It is the purpose of these young men to run a clean up to date cafe and they have asked the Woman's Club to appoint a committee to make regular inspections of the cafe and make suggestions which will help to make the cafe the proper place for all citizens of Randolph county to go when in the town for their meals.

Mechanic News

A very large crowd attended the sale at J. C. Ragan deceased.

W. M. Garner has sold one half interest of his mill to J. C. Parrish.

C. C. Ridge and Milton Lackey made a business trip to Greensboro last week.

J. A. McCandless of Guilford County attended the sale of J. C. Ragan last week.

J. C. Parish and W. M. Garner are installing a roller mill at the Hill and Garner mill now owned by Parrish and Garner. We are glad to have a roller mill so near us.

Ernest Pierce sold out last Saturday and will move to High Point soon.

Alley Peirce has sold his farm to E. O. Pierce. Mr. Pierce is expected to move to town.

Ernest Kerns has purchased E. O. Pierce's timber and will begin sawing soon.

Sheriff Hughes of Asheboro was through this country last week.

Woodrow the son of J. C. Ridge lost a good watch during the sale at Mrs. J. C. Ragan.

The small son of Cleveland Grimes has been in the hospital for several days suffering from pneumonia.

Randleman Chrysanthemum Show

The Randleman chrysanthemum show will be held at the graded school auditorium on Saturday, November 1. The doors will open at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Refreshments will be served. The flowers are unusually fine this year and the show promises to be a success.

There has been much interest manifested in the state sanitary laws, and the inspectors are doing a great work for the betterment of the sanitary conditions of the state. The experience of the first two weeks is sufficient to assure the State Board of Health that the people realize that the law is filling a pressing demand which has heretofore been entirely unattended.

Clarence Poe says, "The absurd idea that 'honest labor' means just real old hard manual labor must give way to the true conception of the workers of a man who honestly tries to render service to his fellow man either by hand or brain, and each employer must think of the duties of man, as well as the rights of man."

CHRYSANTHEMUM SHOW

Will Be Held in Norfolk Southern Railway Station, Friday, November 7th.

The chrysanthemum show in Asheboro will be given under the auspices of the Woman's Club, at the Norfolk Southern station on Friday, November 7th. The doors will be opened at 2:30 p. m. Refreshments will be served, the east door to the station will be used as the entrance.

The flower show committee requests that all flowers be brought to the station on Thursday before 5 p. m. Persons contributing prizes are requested to have them ready by Friday morning when a committee will call for them. Lists containing the flowers and prizes may be obtained from Mrs. T. E. Lassiter. Persons expecting to enter flowers are asked to tag them with the variety of the flower.

JUDGE BOYD REQUESTS ADDITIONAL JUDGE

Judge James E. Boyd, who was appointed United States Judge for the Western district of North Carolina, 19 years ago last June, and who has served continuously since that time, wrote a letter to the President yesterday morning requesting the appointment of an additional judge.

Under the new statute an additional judge can be appointed, and will be designated the senior judge of the district.

Judge Boyd was 75 years old the 14th of last February, and has been an unusually vigorous man, and has served with distinction, and has made a most creditable record.

Hallowe'en Party

The Mary-Martha class of the M. E. Sunday School will give a Hallowe'en party Friday night, October 31st, in the rooms over E. R. Yow's store. The money received is to be used for Sunday School work. No admission will be charged but refreshments and other things will be sold, fortunes told and a Red Cross brother will be on hand and any one desiring to join or renew their membership may do so. The public is cordially invited and urged to attend.

Russell-Cagle

A pretty marriage was solemnized at the home of Mrs. Emma G. Cagle on last Tuesday morning, October 28, when her daughter, Maggie, became the bride of Mr. Ernest C. Russell, of Lecombe, La. Only the immediate relatives of the contracting parties were present. The bride was charmingly gowned in a traveling suit of midnight blue with accessories to match. The happy couple left immediately for Hot Springs and Little Rock, Ark. From there they will go to Lecombe, La., where they will make their home.

NORTH CAROLINA'S THREE TAXATION PLANS

AN EXPLANATION OF THE SYSTEM OF REVALUATION AND TAX RATE REDUCTION NOW BEGUN—THE \$3000 EXEMPTION TO BEGIN NEXT YEAR AND INCOME TAX AMENDMENT TO BE VOTED ON IN 1920.

The following interesting and highly instructive article by Editor Clarence Poe on the State's taxation plan, which appeared in the last issue of the Progressive Farmer, "ought to be read by everybody in North Carolina," says Gov. Bickett.

All over North Carolina there is much interest in the State's new taxation policy and many inquire as to just what is proposed.

The matter has already been explained in The Progressive Farmer, but since that was several months ago, it seems well to explain the matter afresh to our farmers who are now reporting on their land values.

1. The \$3000 Tax Exemption

The new taxation of the State aims at three things:

(1) Honesty in assessments.

(2) A reduction in the tax rate to correspond to the increase in assessed values.

(3) Provision for lightening the burdens of poverty and industry, and putting a larger share of the burdens of taxation on men with larger incomes.

With regard to the latter point, we may note in the outset that the recent Legislature was the first one to take advantage of the authority given it by the Constitution to provide a \$3000 exemption for the tax-payers, this provision of the new law reading as follows:

"From and after the year 1919 there shall be allowed an exemption for each person of wearing apparel, arms for muster, household and kitchen furniture, the mechanical and agricultural instruments of mechanics and farmers, and labors and scientific instruments and provisions, not exceeding a total value of three hundred dollars."

2. The Revaluation Plan

Now about the plans for securing just assessments. In the past everybody understood that he was permitted to list property for something less than its real value; and the result was that the more pliable a man's conscience, the lower the rate he named; and this thing had grown worse and worse year after year until it had amounted to a state disgrace. For a man to list property at its real value meant he would have to pay practically twice as much tax as he ought to pay. Such a system encouraged lying, and corrupted public morals at the fountain head. If the sworn officials of the state set the example of assessing real estate at 33 1/3 per cent of its value, how could the state expect the individual taxpayer to list his personal property at 100 per cent?

Now all this is to be changed. Hereafter every property owner in the state is expected to list every cent's worth of property he owns—and list it at 100 per cent of its value; list it at what it would bring if offered for sale under favorable condition, and not merely at its probable selling price at a forced sale.

Now if this plan for revealing property for taxation were offered without assurance that the tax rate would be correspondingly cut, of course this plan would largely fail. It specifically provides, however, that an assessed value increase, the tax rate must decrease. It is provided that the amount of tax collected by the state or by any county, city, or town, or special tax districts, shall not exceed a 10% increase in the amount now raised by taxation. Consequently if assessed values are increased 200%, as they probably will be, the tax rate per \$100 of property will be proportionately reduced, plus the nominal 10% increase. Mr. A. J. Maxwell, who is the state's foremost tax authority, expresses the positive opinion, in fact, that under this revaluation plan, the average tax rates will be reduced to about one-fourth the present rates.

The state tax commission will supervise assessments and valuations through a scientifically designed system so that the man who voluntarily lists his property at full value may be sure that his neighbor is going to be compelled to do the same thing. This new valuation recently began, and it will take about a year to get this monumental task done for the whole state. Then the Legislature will be called together and the tax rate per \$100 for state, county, special tax district and municipal purposes will be cut just in proportion as valuations have been increased.

III. The Income Tax Constitution Amendment

But some one may say, "While the Legislature forbade an immediate increase exceeding one-tenth in amount of taxes collected, will not this soon be increased as a result of revaluation?"

We think not, and for a very important reason.

The big purpose of this revaluation of property is not to increase the amount of taxes to secure justice and equality in assessment. Then in order to provide larger revenues for the state and give us the necessary money for the many important tasks which an advancing civilization places on the commonwealth—better schools, better roads, better health, better care of the unfortunate, etc.—the Legis-

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Mr. W. P. Pickett, Former Mayor of High Point, Dead

Mr. W. P. Pickett, one of the most successful business men of the city of High Point, died in a Baltimore hospital Tuesday. He was a man of considerable wealth, a stockholder in many of the different enterprises of the city, and was once mayor of the city.

He was a son of the late Samuel J. Pickett, and was born in Davidson county, in 1847. He moved to High Point with his parents when a lad. He was a consistent member of the M. P. church.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CONFERENCE ADJOURNS MONDAY NIGHT

Appointments in the Greensboro District

The 30th Annual session of the Western North Carolina Methodist Episcopal conference, met in Greensboro last week.

Bishop U. V. Darlington presided over the conference and preached a most excellent sermon on Sunday morning and Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels addressed the conference Sunday evening.

The conference unanimously endorsed the League of Nations and voted on record as being opposed to universal military training. Discussion of the move consumed considerable time, it was decided that the plan be enlarged.

Greensboro District

J. H. Barnhart—Presiding elder.

Asheboro, A. C. Gibbs; Coleridge, F. W. Cooke; Depp River, T. A. Fyler; Gibsonville, A. P. Ratledge; Greensboro, Caraway Memorial, J. H. Lanning; Centenary, A. W. Plyler; Glewood and Bethel, E. P. Billups; Spring Garden Street, C. S. Kirkpatrick; Walnut Street, A. Burgess; West Market Street, E. L. Bain; J. A. Lesh, junior preacher; J. P. Lanning, superintendent; East Greensboro, D. R. Proffitt; West Greensboro, T. J. Rogers; High Point, East End, W. A. Bauer, supply; Main Street, J. W. Williams; Wesley Memorial, W. A. Lambeth; Pleasant Garden, A. G. Loflin; Lanesboro and Franklinville, W. M. Smith; Randleman, J. A. J. Farrington; Randleman, W. F. Elliott; Reidsville, Main Street, H. C. Sprinkle; Ruffin, D. P. Waters; Uwharrie, W. B. Thompson; Wentworth, C. F. Sherrill; president Greensboro College for Women, S. B. Turrentine; treasurer Greensboro College for Women, W. M. Curtis; associate editor and business manager, N. Carolina Christian Advocate, H. M. Blair; State Sunday School secretary, J. W. Long.

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