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MEMORIAL SERVICE

NEXT SUNDAY

BEN DIXON POST AMERICAN LEGION TO HONOR FALLEN COMRADES.

Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock the Ben Dixon Post American Legion will hold a memorial service at the Court House to present the French war Diplomas to the nearest relative of the fallen soldier.

Col. S. W. Minor, of Durham, Major Wade H. Phillips, Major Newby, of Thomasville, and others expect to be present. All ex-service men are requested to be present in uniform if possible.

Seats will be reserved for those who are to receive memorial diplomas. The gallery will be reserved for the colored people.

PROGRAM

America, Audience.
Invocation.
Reading of the 46th Psalm.

The Star Spangled Banner, Audience.
Statement of the purpose of the meeting.

Special music, Ramseur quartet.
Address, Col. S. W. Minor, of Durham.

Solo, Just Before the Battle, Mother.

Tribute to the Soldiers, Major W. H. Phillips.

Tenting on the Old Camp Ground, Male quartet.

Presentation of French memorial Diplomas by Lieut. C. E. Lovett.

Five minute addresses.
Maryland, My Maryland, Audience.

Benediction.

The following is a list of the nearest kin, to whom diplomas will be presented:

C. H. Bean, relationship not known, Franklinville.

Pearl Maude Evans, wife, Randleman Route 1.

W. F. McDowell, father, Asheboro.

Garret F. Gatlin, father, Ectot.

Yancey Rachel, father, Spokane.

C. G. Frazier, father, Asheboro.

Mrs. Florence M. Green, mother, Oak Place, Star.

B. F. Craven, father, Ramseur.

Mr. H. Allred, not known, Franklinville.

John Wesley Warner, father, Troy.

Mr. Simon M. Wall, not known, Randleman.

Mr. David Saunders, father, Biscoe.

K. D. Harmon, father, Seagrove.

James M. King, father, Asheboro.

Alice Wood, not known, Randleman.

Wm. L. Stafford, father, Ophir.

Neal Dunlap, father, Steeds Rt. 1.

Mrs. Nannie Kivett, mother, Asheboro.

Mr. Joseph E. Pool, father, Asheboro.

Mrs. Sledge, mother, address not known.

Mary Brad, mother, Seagrove Route 1.

W. L. Foust, father, Asheboro.

Beth Lucas, father, Seagrove.

David Smitherman, father, Asheboro.

Lonnie C. Richardson, father, Star.

Willie C. Dowd, father, Biscoe Rt. 1.

Mrs. Lee Lambert, mother, Asheboro Route 3.

Victoria Covington, mother, Asheboro.

Willie Hussey, brother, Ulah.

Matthew Cagle, father, Pisgah.

Eli W. Moffitt, father, Ramseur Rt. 1.

Emma Phillips, wife, Asheboro.

DEMOCRATS IN SESSION

COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION MET AT COURT HOUSE SATURDAY AT 2 P. M.—HAMMER ENDORSED FOR CONGRESS.

The County Democratic Convention met at 2 p. m. at the court house on Saturday, April 3. The convention was called to order by L. F. Ross, secretary. Mr. H. T. Caveness was appointed temporary chairman for the convening convention, and W. C. King and Zeb H. Rush acting secretaries.

It was ruled that all Democratic qualified voters be appointed as delegates to the convention to be held in Raleigh, on Thursday, April 8. Motion was made and carried to make L. F. Ross county chairman of the precinct committee until April 24 when another convention will meet in Asheboro.

Mr. Hammer made a few forceful and appropriate remarks regarding reevaluation act, suggesting that any possible mistakes officials had made be submitted and remedied. Harmony Mr. Hammer said could accomplish great things, and should be the motto of the party.

The following resolution was submitted by W. C. Hammond, and adopted by the convention:

"We note with pride the unexcelled record as a state official of that patriotic and distinguished soldier Col. W. P. Wood, who has declined to present his name for renomination for the office of State Auditor. We welcome his return to his home among the people who love him so well, and who have always been delighted to honor him."

Also the following resolution was submitted by Mr. H. C. Causey, of Liberty, and adopted unanimously by the convention:

"Recognizing the splendid career of usefulness of William C. Hammer, Esq., both as a citizen and public official, we commend to the people of the Seventh Congressional District as a candidate for Congress. His distinguished services, always actuated by devotion to duty, are a source of pride and gratification to the people of Randolph county, who know him to be a capable lawyer of unusual ability, born and reared on a farm, connected with and interested in farming, he has in an unusual degree the confidence of the people, and is trusted by them as few men are."

"His education, training and equipment fit him for the position, and if nominated and elected, his industry, integrity and intellectual attainments will make him a commanding figure in the American Congress, an unfaltering Democrat, who has no alliance with labor or capital, or any special interests, but who will represent fully all the interests of all the people of the Seventh Congressional District, and present their claims in Congress vigorously and with ability, which has so singularly characterized his life's work."

"We further commend Mr. Hammer's course of campaigning with a view of promoting peace within the ranks of the party, instead of pursuing a course tending to produce discord and fomenting party strife, and in looking beyond the primary for ultimate victory at the general election."

A good crowd was in attendance at the convention and considerable enthusiasm was manifested.

Serious Automobile Accident in Thomasville. Randolph and Davidson County Men Injured

Messrs. James Parrish, of Fullers and Frank Yates, of Denton, are in the High Point hospital in a serious condition as the result of injuries received from an automobile wreck. They were in Ford car and were crossing the railroad track at Thomasville yesterday morning when 137 hit their car and completely demolished it. The engine struck the center of the car and threw the car a distance of about 30 feet from the crossing. As the wrecked automobile fell the occupants of the car were thrown to the street several feet away and badly injured and rendered unconscious. Unless complications arise it is thought that both will recover Mr. Parrish seems to be in a more serious condition of the two, having sustained a fractured hip and a number of bruises. The side curtains of the car were up and the occupants of the car did not see the approaching train. The real cause of the accident seems to be unknown.

Ratification of Suffrage Depends on North Carolina and Louisiana

Mississippi last Wednesday declined to become the 36th State to ratify the federal woman suffrage amendment. Now that Delaware has turned her back on Woman Suffrage it will be up to North Carolina and Louisiana to make the final decision. The Legislature in Louisiana meets May 10th and it is said that bitter fight will be made there. The Legislature of North Carolina meets next, consequently much depends on its action.

Old Time Convention and Rally April 24th

Arrangements have been made for a Big Democratic convention and mass meeting April 24. Mr. L. F. Ross, chairman of the Democratic executive committee, is preparing for a big occasion. The convention will be addressed by one or more prominent men who will discuss the important issues of the day.

Fireless Cooker Plant for Denton

The Royal Metal Ware Manufacturing Company has been organized at Denton with a capital stock of \$50,000. The company will manufacture fireless cookers. Later a store house will be opened in Lexington. The general sales office of the company will be located in New York City. Prominent business men of New York will have charge of the offices there. Mr. J. O. Garner is president of the company in Denton. He has made a study of fireless cookers for a number of years. Messrs. J. W. Snider, J. O. Garner and John W. Snider, of Denton, are the directors, while Mr. J. Allen Austin, of High Point, is the attorney for the company.

Unless Your Poll Tax is Paid You Can Not Vote

The constitution of North Carolina requires that every male person who has arrived at the age of 21 and not over 50 must list and pay their poll taxes each year. No one can be exempted from paying poll tax unless he is exempted by the board of county commissioners for poverty and infirmity. In order to vote at the coming election every person who was 21 years of age and not over 50 on the first day of May, 1919, must list and pay their poll tax on or before the 1st day of May, 1920, or they cannot vote in the primary and general election. Every person who was 21 years of age on May 1st, 1919 is not only required to list and pay their poll tax in order to vote, but under the statute are indictable for not listing. You may not take an interest in politics now, but later on when you become more interested it is well enough to be prepared to take part in the coming contest. Pay your poll tax and then see your neighbor and urge him to do likewise. The coming election will probably be the most interesting election in half a century.

Greensboro Patriot Changes Hands

Mr. C. H. Mebane has sold his interest in the Greensboro Patriot to Mr. J. D. May and associates. The next issue of The Patriot will appear under the new management when they will outline the paper's policy.

PAY YOUR POLL TAX ON OR BEFORE MAY FIRST

if you expect to exercise your privilege of voting in primary or general election this year.

A number of boys were in the service and away from home at listing time last year. You have the privilege of listing to C. L. Amick, clerk to the board, during this month. Do not put off this important matter.

COMMISSIONERS MEET

Will Make Extensive Road Improvements

The board of county commissioners of Randolph county met in their office in the court house April 5, with all members present.

The following business was transacted: Accounts against the county were audited, approved and ordered paid as shown in disbursement register No. 4 on pages 33 to 35 and under order No. 440 to 542, both inclusive.

It was ordered that Carlisle Lewis be exempt from payment of poll tax for year 1919.

The chairman and the clerk to the board were authorized to negotiate a loan from the Commercial National Bank of High Point for \$50,000 loan at 6% interest to be used for roads and bridges, notes for same to be executed as funds become necessary. It was ordered that Charley Kearns, colored, of New Hope township, be released from 1919 poll tax.

It was ordered that T. W. Craven, of Coleridge township, be released of 1919 poll tax on account of crippled hand.

On certificate of Dr. C. E. Wilkerson it was ordered that Willard Hughes, of Randleman, be released of poll tax for 1919.

It was ordered that Mary Jane Cheek, an infirm lady of Randleman, and Horace Gray, an old colored man be admitted to the county home.

It was ordered that W. J. Pugh, of Providence, township, be released of \$1.04 school tax account of not in the district.

Mrs. W. J. Pugh, of Providence, was released of \$1.26 school tax in Providence district, account not in district.

It was ordered that the following be released of poll tax for year 1919: Henry Craven, Asheboro; W. D. Allred, Franklinville; Dill A. Hill, Randleman; Grady Johnson, Trinity.

It was ordered that the allowance to Roden Clark be increased to \$9 per month.

DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION IN RALEIGH TODAY

The state Democratic convention is in session in Raleigh to-day. Representative men and women from all over the State have been arriving by every train since yesterday. Congressman Hoy will be temporary chairman and will deliver one of the principal speeches. Senator Overman will also be present and it is claimed in his long-time address will recommend the ratification of the suffrage movement. The indications are that woman suffrage will be one of the principal features of the convention. No friction is anticipated over the question.

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RANDOLPH COUNTY FAIR RE-ORGANIZED

County Agent, D. S. Coltrane called a meeting of the citizens of Ramseur and community Tuesday night March 16, for the purpose of considering the county fair for this year. The leading citizens of the community were present and voted unanimously in favor of holding the fair again. At this meeting it was decided to form a permanent fair organization, the stock to consist of 125 shares at \$10 a share. This gives the association \$1250 working capital to begin with. Ten days was decided as sufficient time to secure the stock so this meeting adjourned to meet Friday night March 26.

The stockholders met Friday night March 26 and elected the following officers: H. B. Moore, president, E. B. Leonard, first vice pres., Mrs. E. C. Watkins, second vice pres.; I. H. Foust, sec.; H. T. Smith, treasurer. These officers will meet and select from the stockholders ten men and women, who with these officers will constitute the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors will then select the Superintendents and assistants of each department of the fair.

The official premium list is being prepared by I. H. Foust, H. T. Smith, J. O. Forrester, D. S. Coltrane, Mrs. I. H. Foust, Mrs. W. P. White and Mrs. J. O. Forrester. This premium list will appear in The Courier in about two weeks and we expect to have the booklet out in the course of the next month.

All of the people around Ramseur are enthusiastic over the fair and expect to make it a real county fair this year. While we think the fair was a success last year, we intend to make it a much greater fair this year.

Trinity and Randleman Cross Bats

An interesting game of ball was played at Trinity April 6th when the Trinity High School and the Randleman High School teams played their first game of the season. The score resulted in 3 to 1 in favor of Trinity.

FARMER ITEMS

Miss Luna Kearns, of Greensboro, and Miss Ethel Kearns, of North Carolina College, spent Easter holidays at home. They had as their guest Mr. Lois Collins, of Waxhaw.

Miss Ruby Fuller, of Greensboro, spent the week end with her grandmother, Mrs. Nora Kearns.

Among those from a distance attending the funeral of Mrs. A. C. Kearns were Mr. and Mrs. George Kearns, Miss Louise Kearns, Messrs. Fred, Edgar and Joe Kearns, of High Point; Miss Lucile Kearns, of Oaspee; Mrs. Julia Plummer, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Plummer and Mr. K. P. Plummer, of Hannersville; Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Macon, Mrs. Minerva Lassiter, and Mrs. J. W. Birkhead, of Asheboro. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cranford, on March 31, a son.

We are very sorry to note that the condition of Mrs. Mary Kearns does not improve.

Mrs. Martha Boyd spent the Easter holidays with her brother, Mr. Robert Boyd, of High Point.

Mr. Hal Lassiter, of Greensboro, and Miss Henrietta Lassiter, of Guilford College, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Lassiter, of Mechanic, during the holidays.

Miss Mabel Morgan and Miss Kate Nance have returned to their homes after having finished their schools.

Miss Cammie Nance and Messrs. Elbert Kearns and Clarence Russell of Denton, visited home folks Sunday.

Mr. Lewis Dorsett, of Mt. Gilead, was here a short while Sunday.

Miss Ina Ellington, a student in Guilford College, was a visitor at Mr. E. N. Howard's during her vacation.

On Friday afternoon the primary grades of Farmer high school enjoyed very much an egg hunt given by their teacher, Miss Linnie Dorsett. On Saturday afternoon Miss Clyde Kearns gave an egg hunt for the pupils of her music class. This was also enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Od Russell and little son, of Winston-Salem, are guests at the home of Mr. T. C. Russell.

The people of the community were surprised to hear of the marriage on March 30 of Miss Edith Parrish and Mr. Robert Hammond. Mrs. Hammond is the daughter of Mr. Walter Parrish and is a popular young lady and a successful teacher. Mr. Hammond is a son of Mr. Madison Hammond. He is a prosperous young farmer who returned from France last October, having spent more than a year there in his country's service.

Enjoyable socials were given during the Easter holidays by Miss Ethel Kearns and Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Free.

Senator Simmons Makes Statement on Ratification of Suffrage

Senator Simmons has made a statement which has been altogether pleasing to the suffragists of North Carolina and to the men who have been in sympathy with the movement. His statement is as follows:

"I have been persistently urged to make some statement with reference to the present aspect of the woman suffrage question, and in yielding to this insistence, I do not mean to do more than make an individual presentation of the matter as I see it. Emphatically I have not changed my mind with reference to the question of woman suffrage, especially suffrage through federal instead of state action. I am still opposed to woman suffrage, but distinctly detrimental to the highest interest of women themselves, but I recognize the fact that the question has been practically settled and that nothing North Carolina can now do will unsettle it. It is true that the suffrage amendment needs the vote of one more state for final ratification, but when the legislatures of all the states shall have acted, I feel sure after thorough investigation, it will have several more votes than is necessary. The practical question which now confronts us is, therefore, not whether women shall be accorded the privilege of full and equal suffrage, but when shall they be permitted to enter into the enjoyment of those privileges? Shall it be today or not until tomorrow; shall it be this year or not until next year; shall it be in the impending elections or not until the next succeeding elections? Manifestly, this situation presents a pure question of policy and should be dealt with by embarrassing reference to individual views as to the wisdom or unwisdom of woman suffrage as an original proposition. While it is not in the power of North Carolina to determine at its option whether women shall or shall not vote, circumstances seem to have placed in the states power of determining whether that privilege shall be accorded them in this year or postponed until next year's elections.

"I do not wish to discuss the political aspects of this matter further than to say that while Republican and Democratic leaders here generally concede the inevitable ratification of the amendment, there is a persistent belief that Republican leaders fear the effect of women's participation in this year's elections, while Democratic leaders believe their participation will be to the advantage of the democratic party. However that may be, it is certain that two great questions, each of vital, national importance both of which in their higher, human aspects concern women more deeply than men, will be involved in this year's election.

BRIEF ITEMS OF NEWS

At the Craven county convention the newspapers state that the Abernethy forces controlled the convention, securing the delegation to the state convention and also the county chairmanship.

D. P. Dellinger, of Cleveland county, is candidate for commissioner of Labor.

W. A. Cochran was nominated chairman of the convention in Montgomery county. Mr. Page was endorsed for governor unanimously while Mrs. J. R. Blair and other women were appointed as delegates.

In Alamance county the convention declared equal suffrage voting rights to women.

In the Davidson county convention Captain F. C. Robins delivered a stirring speech on the league of nations. The convention endorsed Senators Simmons and Overman amidst cheering and applause.

Strongly eulogistic relations endorsing Sen. Overman for another term were adopted by the Rowan county convention on last Saturday.

John A. Shumate, of Boling, S. C., is in Mecklenburg jail awaiting trial at the federal term of court at Charlotte next week on charge of violating the Mann White Slave Act. Shumate, who is married, was unable to give a \$10,000 bond required by United States Commissioner Cobb after hearing the charges against him. The defendant and the woman in the case, who is the defendant's step-daughter, were arrested in Cleveland, Ohio, and brought back to Charlotte. The woman testified that the two had lived as man and wife in Cleveland for about ten days prior to their arrest.

Sheriff Charles G. Rosemond, Republican, has resigned the office of sheriff of Orange county, effective May 1.

Former Governor Locke has been appointed referee in bankruptcy by Judge E. Yates Webb.

Attorney General Palmer is making an effort to reduce the price of coal and investigations are being made throughout the country with a view to prosecution for conspiracy. The department of justice in the Western District of North Carolina is investigating the ice situation with a view to prosecution either by the federal government or turning the evidence over to the state authorities with a view to prosecution.

A newspaper report from Brest that the United States transport Mercury will leave that point Friday for the United States with the bodies of 315 American soldiers who died in France.

Mrs. Edwin C. Gregory, a daughter of Senator and Mrs. Lee S. Overman of Salisbury underwent a serious operation at the Whitehead-Stokes Sanatorium Monday. Both Senator and Mrs. Overman were present during the operation. Mrs. Gregory's condition is improving.

John Wesley Braxton died at Snow Camp March 26th. Deceased was 69 years of age.

At a meeting of the Guilford county commissioners at Greensboro Monday, it was decided to construct a hard surfaced road leading from High Point toward Archdale to the Randolph county line, work to begin as soon as practicable after receiving satisfactory bids.

Earnest H. Coble, yard conductor for the Southern Railway at Greensboro, and Miss Jonnie M. Nelson were married last Sunday.

D. A. McDonald, of Carthage has announced that he will be a candidate for State Auditor.

Daniel McSweeney Kelly, one of the best known farmers of Moore County died Friday at his home near Carthage.

Asheboro-Liberty Ball Game Interrupted—Punishment Inflicted.

The Courier regrets to learn of some ungentlemanly conduct committed by certain Asheboro boys at a baseball game played between the high schools of Liberty and Asheboro. The Asheboro high school wishes to say that the boys raising the disturbance were not high school boys, and we are also glad to know that these boys were tried before Mayor J. A. Spence and each fined ten dollars and the costs. The people of Asheboro are sorry that such a thing should happen, and we wish the people of Liberty, and elsewhere as for that matter, to know that the sentiment of the town is against such a thing, and it is not likely to happen again.

Randolph County Has Chicken Law

A number of our people have been complaining about the destruction of their gardens by chickens of the town and we have been asked to call attention to this fact and for the information of those whose gardens are being destroyed by his neighbors' chickens we call attention to the fact that during the Legislature of 1913 Mr. E. R. Ross introduced a bill which provides that upon giving notice to parties having chickens that after the expiration of three days if the chickens are not confined the owners are subject to indictment, the punishment being five days in jail or the payment of a fine.

and upon those questions it is believed women would naturally sympathize with the attitude of the Democratic party.

"Moreover, if women are allowed to vote this year, their affiliation in the approaching elections will largely determine their future alignment in politics."

ROBBERY IN HIGH POINT

Another of a series of robberies which have been committed in High Point during the past several weeks was successfully carried out when the store of A. Robinson was burglarized. The safe was taken about a mile from the store where it was blown open and several hundred dollars in cash was stolen.