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EPUBLICANS OFFER SOLDIERS GOLD BRICK

emocrats Criticise Republicans For Pawn Shop Certificate Offered in Bogus Bonus Bill.

emand Cash Now to Compensate Soldiers Like They Gave Away Billions to Compensate Contractors and Railroads.

The Republicans are still halting limping in their pretended aid to diers in compensating them in pay- them aother dollar and a quarter addition to the small pittance they eived in comparison to the wages y received for their services while ges at home were several times at they were getting.

The Republican Congress got three lion dollars to pay in cash to the r contractors because the war end- and they did not finish their jobs. ey paid two billions to the railroads the benefit of the holders of rail- d securities, and fifty millions for war minerals contractors and oth- millions to feed Europe, but not a llar to feed starving families of the employed in America; and now off- a bill that provides not a dollar for soldier with more than a million them who cannot find work, but off- pawn shop certificates to hawk up- the market to get what they can on them.

No wonder the Democrats in a ver- l larruping, a report that in its ms is a political horse-whipping. Democratic members of the House ays and means committee have suc- itted a minority report on the sol- y bonus bill. Before outlining the an, they proposed for the financing the bonus they entered into a dis- ussion of the question and varying titudes of the Republican members y Congress in attempting to deal with the question of adjusted compen- ation. The report is signed by Con- ressman Claude Kitchin, who wrote , Congressman William A. Oldfield harles R. Crisp, John F. Carew, Pe- er F. Tague, and it is a report of the ot and hotter order from beginning o close. The denunciation of the Re- publicans for their offering of the "pawn shop" bonus bill is in especial- ly caustic terms and in it there is a characterization of Ambassador Geo. Harvey that must surely get under the skin of the Republican party's repre- sentative at the court of St. James: It reads:

Goes After Harvey

"The proposition in the bill, with this attitude of the administration and its comptroller of the currency, is absolutely a 'gold brick' handed to the veterans and a plain violation of the wide-mouthed pledges daily made for the last two years by the Repub- licans to the World War veterans. So we are presented with the shameful spectacle of the party that aborted the war, divided our country's war associates, disgraced the peace, delud- ed the people, deceived the veterans, deserted the wounded, relieved the profiteer, reduced the millionaire's in- comes tax, repealed the excess profits tax on the profiteers, and which still maintains a blasphemous, bibulous bootlicker at the court of St. James to besmirch with his drunken banquet bubble the high war purposes of the American people and the inspiration of the American soldiers, now offers to redeem its reckless campaign pledges with an I. O. U. designated as a 'certificate,' which the administra- tion has, in advance of its issue, totally impeached and discredited."

Outrage and Disgrace

The report continues with a similar attitude that it is an outrage and a sin- [illegible] to have the former soldiers [illegible] appreciation, they are not capable of rewarding such service. Their eyes have never seen the torch of Flanders' Field. With the veteran and his needs they reveal their incompetence.

Blind Tactics

"They start and stop. They are for this today, and that tomorrow. They potter around in the darkness, they rumble, they muff. Incapable of dealing fairly with the economic situation, they have directly brought upon the American people the worst depression that ever came upon them. Equally incapable of dealing with the war veteran situation they stutter and stagger. Blind they wander around. They pick it up and put it down. Their last condition is worse than the first."

Other extracts from the Democratic report are:

As To Sales Tax

"They offer a bonus in consideration of the veteran and his friends favoring a sales tax,' said the report. 'They vigorously fight a bonus without a sales tax, in the hope that the brave boys will be tempted to yield and be willing to help the President and Mr. Mellon and the money power to drive the first effective wedge under the established policy of the income tax, founded upon the principle of ability to pay."

The report said the proposition in the bill for bank loans was absolutely 'a gold brick' in view of the attitude of the Comptroller of the Currency, and added:

"So we are presented with the shameful spectacle of the party that aborted the war, divided our country's war associates, disgraced the peace, deluded the people, deceived the veteran, deserted the wounded, relieved the profiteer, reduced the millionaires' income tax, repealed the excess profits tax on the profiteers, and which still maintains blasphemous bibulous bootlicker at the court of St. James to besmirch with his drunken banquet bubble the high war purposes of the American people and the inspiration of the American soldiers, now offering to redeem its reckless pledges with an I. O. U. designated a 'certificate' and discredited."

"President Harding and Secretary Mellon boldly offer a bribe to the World War veterans to espouse the efforts of the money power in their efforts to establish as a part of our revenue system the vicious policy of a general sales tax. They offer a bonus in consideration of the veteran and his friend favoring a sales tax, they vigorously fight a bonus without a sales tax, in the hope that the brave boys will be tempted to yield and be willing to help the President and Mr. Mellon and the money power to drive the first effective wedge under the established policy of the income tax, founded upon the principle of ability to pay, and finally to force from our statute books the revenue policy of the entire income tax, a policy which the people established in our tax system after a quarter of a century of hard and persistent struggle with the money power and the Republican leaders."

Trust the Boys "White"

"We [illegible] to say that the world war veteran now in the house as colored representative offered by the Republican President and his secretary of the treasury is unwilling to entrust to the money power of the United States the fruits of the people's struggle and victory, and in its stead substitute, when the Democrats and Mr. Mellon heartily [illegible] the idea of taking the proceeds of the people's [illegible] to the profiteering [illegible] the United States—good for all—and then, although [illegible] the Republican leaders [illegible] mercy of the banks in our towns and cities. During the war he trusted you and your country 'white.' He now deserves fair, manly treatment at your hands.

"The Republicans ask how can we get the cash now to pay? We answer exactly as we have been getting the cash to run the government for the last five years. Exactly as the Republicans got the cash to pay three billion dollars to the war contractors, two billions to the railroads for the benefit of the holders of railroad securities, fifty millions for the war minerals contractors, millions to feed Europe, and equally as we propose to raise millions for the purpose of paying a bill honestly.

"[illegible] the people [illegible] certificate of indebtedness in [illegible] of indebtedness at home, to be redeemed when the taxes are paid [illegible] the people [illegible]

THREE WEEKS TERM OF RANDOLPH SUPERIOR COURT

Began Monday of This Week.—Judge J. Bis Ray Presiding

On Monday morning a three weeks term of court began with Judge J. Bis Ray presiding. The first two weeks will be given over to the trial of civil cases, some of which are of considerable importance. The last week will be devoted to the trial of criminal cases.

All of the cases on Monday's calendar were continued. On Tuesday the case of J. A. Presnell et al vs. J. S. Lewis et al was taken up. It is a contest over the ownership of the land formerly known as the Noah Smitherman land in Union township. This case has not been concluded as we go to press.

KERNERSVILLE POST OFFICE ROBBED

Between $8,000 and $9,000 in money, stamps, liberty bonds and other valuable papers were taken from the postoffice in Kernersville early Wednesday morning. Nitroglycerine was used to blow open the doors of the safe where they secured the loot. The only clue left by the burglars was a brown overcoat, and the tools, which, it was discovered, came from the local blacksmith shop. The postoffice authorities at Greensboro were notified and an inspector was sent at once to Kernersville to make an investigation.

FORMAL CALL GOES OUT FOR STRIKE

The formal call for the Union coal miners strike was issued Tuesday March 21st, from headquarters of the United Mine Workers of America, the strike effective at mid-night March 31. Copies of the call were sent to every district of the union except Novia Scotia, where it is said, that the contract with the operators had already expired. One clause in the srike call was, "There must be no violation of the law, no disturbance of any public peace".

MRS. B. P. FRAZIER, OF TRINITY, DEAD

Mrs. B. P. Frazier died at her home near Trinity, of pneumonia Monday morning. Mrs. Frazier was a daughter of John Lee Smith. She is survived by her husband and four children.

The funeral services were conducted at Prospect church and interment was made there.

W. E. FARLOW, OF THE CARAWAY SECTION, DEAD

Mr. W. E. Farlow, aged 35 years, died at his home in the Caraway section Sunday morning. He and all of the members of his family had had influenza. Mr. Farlow had improved and his death was sudden. He is survived by his wife, who is critically ill, and seven children, the youngest of whom is 18 months old. He was buried at Charlotte Sunday. Mr. J. F. Birkhead of Asheboro, conducting the service.

MRS. ABE YOW, OF WEST ASHEBORO, DEAD

Mrs. Abe Yow died at Memorial Hospital Sunday morning. She and all the members of the family had been ill with influenza. Mrs. Yow, her sister, Mrs. Nancy Hohn, and one of the children, had been taken to Memorial Hospital. All of them seemed to be getting along well until Sunday morning when Mrs. Yow died suddenly. She was a daughter of Mr. E. B. Ledwell, of Asheboro Rt. 2. She was a splendid woman, a good mother, kind neighbor and friend.

She is survived by her husband and the following children: Mrs. E. P. Barnes and Mrs. S. M. Kivett, of Lilesville; Sidney Yow, Raleigh; Jesse C. Yow, Charleston, S. C.; and Jas. and Paul Yow, who are at home. The funeral was held at the Friends Church, Rev. L. W. McFarland, of High Point conducting the service. Interment was made in the local cemetery.

Bus Line From Sanford to Carthage

On April 1st a bus line will be established between Sanford and Carthage over the state highway. A large car will be built which will carry about twelve passengers.

How Joe Held His Job

(By Old Fogey.)

It is assumed that a number of the surviving "old-timers" around Randleman who are familiar with the early history of Naomi will be interested to have brought back to mind an incident which occurred there more than 35 years ago and which for many a long day was a never-ending source of merriment. Indeed, it had remained dormant in my memory these years, until I happened, some months ago, to be present when it was related by the Rev. Amos Gregson, who, no doubt, has more first-hand knowledge of the episode than any person now living—excepting, of course, the two parties directly concerned, one of whom, to my certain information, is still alive—Joseph Inchy, who played the leading role. Of course, the names given in this narrative are fictitious.

For the better entertainment of the reader, I should like to relate the story after Mr. Gregson's interesting and inimitable manner, but as that is wholly out of the question, I must be allowed the privilege of submitting, not his, but my own version of it. In doing so, I shall endeavor to keep strictly within the facts as I recall them after the lapse of so long a time.

Joe Inchy, an unusual wit and genius if there ever was one, for a number of years, or at least for quite a while, served as night-watchman at the Naomi factory, in which capacity he gave eminent satisfaction. However, for some reason never clearly understood by his many friends, he unexpectedly arrived at the conclusion that a change of occupation was desirable, so handed in the usual two weeks' notice, at the end of which time his resignation was to take effect.

After some little difficulty, a suitable man was found to replace him and he was ordered to report to Joseph to be intitiated into the manifold duties of the job. He proved an unusually alert and willing young fellow, accompanying Joe on his nightly rounds of the factory and its environs and assiting him in firing the boilers and getting up steam, so there might be no delay in the mill's starting promptly on time. In those days, this constituted an important part of the night-watchman's duties and was usually begun around four o'clock in the morning.

Thus the two weeks' period of probation and training passed pleasantly and uneventfully [illegible] arrived for the new man to take over the full responsibilities of the job and for Joe to quit. However, Joe's mind had, in the meantime, undergone a total and complete change, and it seems that he now had not the remotest idea of quitting. This, of course, created the rather awkward problem of disposing of the new man, who by this time considered himself well qualified for the place and now fully expected to get it; and it is in the solution of this problem that we are given a spark of Mr. Incy's originality and genius.

The two men, having completed the task of "firing-up," were comfortably seated in the engineroom. It was just at that black and spooky hour before daybreak which appeals so strongly to the superstitious streak in every human soul. The world still slept. Old Deep River, enshrouded in a kind of nickle-plated fog, stretched out lazily before them, as if she too, were asleep. The dead stillness was positively indescribable and broken only by the mournful baying of Brooks Elmore's old possum dog way over on the hill. In short, it was precisely the moment Joseph had been waiting for; and it was in such a setting that he

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RAMSEUR NEWS

Miss Vera Steed spent part of last week with friends at High Point.

Glenn Highfill, who has been seriously ill for several weeks, is rapidly improving.

Mrs. E. J. Steed and Mrs. W. E. Luck spent Saturday at High Point.

Rev. Mr. Wilson, of Greensboro, preached at the Baptist church here Sunday.

We are glad to report the few cases of influenza are so much improved that the school was enabled to start Monday.

Miss Hilda Marley spent a part of last week with relatives at Greensboro.

A number of our people attended the automobile show at Greensboro last week.

Messrs. G. K. York and J. D. Stinson went to Asheboro Sunday.

Mrs. J. H. Burgess and Miss Hattie Burgess and others visited friends at Liberty Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. E. J. Hathcock spent a few days with her mother at Bacon while the school was closed.

Mrs. Betty and Glenn, Fred R. Burgess and Roland Smith went to Pineview where they visited relatives and friends.

Erch Hardison spent a few days at Marguerite last week.

Misses [illegible] Barnes, Madge Morris, [illegible] Barnes, Janie Beaver, Mrs. J. W. Black and Thomas E. N. [illegible] Cox, Lincoln Smith and [illegible] spent Sunday in Greensboro and vicinity of the automobile show.

WEEKLY RALEIGH LETTER

STATE WINS OVER RAILROADS IN TAX CASE—INFORMATION AS TO STATE INCOME TAX.

(By Maxwell Gorman.)

Raleigh, March 21.—The state administration is feeling mighty good just now over the victory of the state in the case brought by the railroads against the state and Revenue Commissioner Watts which sought to evade large sums in taxes.

The interlocutory injunctions which the roads sought in the federal courts against the collection of state taxes were denied in a unanimous opinion handed down by Judge Ed Waddill of the Circuit Court of Appeals, Judge Connor, of the Eastern North Carolina District and Judge Boyd of the Western North Carolina District.

Under the judicial code an appeal may be taken directly to the Supreme Court of the United States with a request for a stay of proceedings, pending decision by the Supreme Court. The code also provides that the case shall be expedited for hearing by the highest court.

In the event the opinion of the three judges should be overruled and the interlocutory injunctions granted, the cases will then be returned for hearings on their merits. But if the Supreme Court affirms the opinion of the three judges, the cases will then be ended for practical proposals and the suits will be dismissed.

Income Tax Receipts

The first year of the collection of income taxes through the new State Department of Revenue, A. D. Watts, commissioner, shows that department to be functioning well, the time limit for the payment of income taxes having expired by law March 15.

Under the law extensions of time can be granted for satisfactory reasons of the commissioner has been called on to a considerable extent, mostly by corporations. But he grants extensions only on the rule that the interest must be paid the state for all time elapsing subsequent to March 15, and there is no loss to the treasury on brief delays.

The income tax, which was put into its present shape by the overwhelming vote of the people of the state in November, 1920, puts the burden of taxation where it belongs—upon those who make the most money and are best able to bear it—and by eliminating all state tax on property, takes part of the burden off the poorer classes, least able to carry the burden. Watch the Political [illegible]

This, with the $300 personal property exemption allowed families, removes the fear of the sheriff's visit to every little home or farm and the retention of the family milch cow, household and farming utensils, etc. And yet there are radical "cuties" who rail at this safeguard which the present North Carolina system of government has placed around the doors of the home—the greatest unit of all American institutions!

Keep your eye of suspicion on the fellows who would abuse your minds by muddling the waters of understanding on this subject by specious political argument. There's always a "nigger in the woodpile", and often he is trying to conceal some valuting personal ambition.

Take Judges Out of 'Privileged' Class

There is no mistaking the humor of the average citizen concerning the decision of the Supreme Court that its members and all other judges of the Superior Courts, etc., are immune from the income tax on their salaries. The next legislature will be called upon to submit an amendment to the already much "amended" State Constitution, whereby this unpopular provision will be expunged.

Get Tax-Exempt Bondholders, Too

Another expression of general opinion is the following from the Whiteville News Reporter, which says:

"The Supreme Court of the state has upheld Judge Devin in holding that judges do not have to pay income tax on their salaries, because the Constitution says that their salaries shall not be diminished during their term of office. Doubtless there would have been stronger opposition in the Legislature to increase the salaries of the judges had it been intimated they would not be required to pay taxes like other folks."

There are too many classes exempt from taxation and too many tax-free bonds being issued for the poor man to ever get any relief from the burden he is now under.

The next time the Constitution is amended we propose that it be amended so as to place everybody on an equal footing when it comes to bear the burdens of government—judges included.

COLORED SCHOOLS HAVE COUNTY COMMENCEMENT

Saturday, April 22nd, has been set apart as county commencement day for the colored schools of Randolph county. There will be a street parade in the morning after which there will be contests, declamations, etc. Dinner will be served on the grounds. The annual address will be made by Paul McLean, a former teacher in the colored school, now principal of the Lafayette graded school. There will also be other speakers for the occasion.

FRANKLINVILLE NEWS

Lewis Hayes, of Worthville, was the guest of his brother, D. F. Hayes, the first of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Jordan went to Greensboro last Tuesday.

Mrs. W. H. Tippett spent last week with John Tippett, Jr., at Revolution.

Dr. Fox, Joe and Herbert Fox, H. S. Edwards, M. G. Maner, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Russell, Miss Lucy Bute and Mr. A. V. Jones and family went to Greensboro last week.

Mr. C. M. Allred has moved from Greensboro to his farm near C. E. Henson's.

Mr. Will Kimery has moved his family from Burlington to the home vacated by Mrs. Margaret McPherson.

Mrs. J. T. Buie and Master John Thomas spent Saturday evening and Sunday at M. H. Birkhead's at Asheboro.

Herbert S. Edwards, Jr., had the misfortune of falling and breaking his arm one day last week.

Colon Cox and family, Charles Cox and Mr. S. L. Welch and family, of Greensboro, were here Sunday.

Mr. Russell Parks, who is attending school at Woodberry Forest, Va., is at home for a few days.

Mr. James Buie is attending court at Asheboro this week.

Misses Laura Hughes, Nettie Moon and Eunice Banks went to Greensboro Saturday.

Mr. Lindsay Frazier is on the sick list this week.

Mr. Arthur Bean has moved from north of Cedar Falls to Alderbrook Farm west of here.

Mrs. W. A. Grimes, Mrs. J. R. Davis, Mrs. J. N. Cagle and Mrs. G. P. Craven spent one day last week with the family of Mr. W. J. Moffitt.

Messrs. D. S. Sumner and H. P. Black made a business trip to Greensboro Saturday evening.

Miss Polly Hughes and Mr. Lacy Melvin were visitors in town Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wrenn were called to Greensboro Saturday on account of the serious illness of Mrs. Wrenn's brother, Mr. Marvin Craven.

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Webster entertained a party of young people at their home in South Franklinville one evening last week.

Dr. T. I. Fox attended the Automobile Show at Greensboro last week.

MRS. J. A. FERREE DIES NEAR CEDAR FALLS

Mrs. J. A. Ferree died at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. K. E. Hare, at Cedar Falls, last Thursday, at the age of 28 years. Mrs. Ferree's husband died in Ramseur about three months ago from tonsilitis. She has been in poor health since her husband died. She is survived by one child, ten months old, her parents and the following sisters and brothers: Mrs. Paul Redding, Greensboro; Mrs. Grady Redding, Mrs. Rolan Craven, Miss Mary Hare, Messrs Ernest and Grady Hare of Cedar Falls. The funeral service was conducted in Cedar Falls on Friday by Revs. Howell and Leflin. Buria lfollowed in the local cemetery.

ASHEBORO YOUNG PEOPLE IN TRIANGULAR DEBATE

Much interest is being manifested in the triangular debate in which the following young people of the Asheboro High school are taking part: Tyson Ferree, Sam Brittain, June Phillips and William Hammond. The debate will come off tomorrow. June Phillips and Tyson Ferree are on the negative side and will go to Lexington while William Hammond and Samuel Brittain are on the affirmative side and will go to High Point for the debate. The question is Resolved that the United States should enter the League of Nations. It is to be hoped that Asheboro will be represented at Chapel Hill when the State contest comes off.

ASHEBORO HIGH SCHOOL WINS FROM OAKDALE

The local high school ball team defeated Oakdale high school Saturday in a rather long drawn out affair that ended with an abundance of excitement.

Burrow got away to a good start in the first frame but was relieved by Bulla in the third after being scored on for three runs in the second. Oakdale jumped on Bulla for 2 runs in the third and was relieved by Kivett who held the hard hitting crew to 2 hits an one run for the remainder of the game. While young Kivett was pitching superb ball for the remaining six frames, the locals piled up run after run and tied the score in the 8th. In the 9th the visitors added another, only to be followed by the locals on their half of the 9th with 2 runs, when Rube Kivett won his own game with a blow between first and second, scoring the runners on 2nd and 3rd.

The locals' game with Greensboro was rained out Monday and will be played next Monday, the 27th, in Greensboro.

Score by innings:

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O. H. S.	030 000 001	12	14	6

The city officers of Troy, Mayor Broughton, A. O. Wooley, finance commissioner and M. A. Nicholson, Treasurer, spent Thursday afternoon in Thomasville, with the view to inspecting the city management system. Troy has just sold $100,000 worth of bonds for the purpose of installing a water and power system.