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WAR REPORTS

Recent events connected with the war in Europe were the sinking of the British battleship Formidable by a mine or submarine in the English channel, in which six hundred men went down; the American note to Great Britain protesting against the seizure and detention of American ships with cargoes consigned to neutral ports the occupation of a part of Alsace by the French; and the reported rout of the Turks and Austrians by the Russians. The deadlock in Flanders continues. The Germans have been unable to break through the allied line, but remain firm in their own positions.

The Russian claims in a recent report to have inflicted an overwhelming defeat on the Turkish army, which was advancing in the Russian Caucasus. The Turks, according to this report, were driven in a disorderly retreat, leaving the main roads in the hands of the Russians.

The Russians also report another victory over the Austrians in a pass of the Carpathian mountains. The forcing of this pass will give the Russians control over the Austrian oil fields and will cut off the supplies of fuel so much needed by the Austrian and German armies. Considering the importance of petroleum and gasoline in the present war, the seizure of a large source of supply would have far reaching results in determining the course of events.

The recent capture of Steinbach in Alsace was accomplished by the French in face of enormous difficulties. This marks the farthest invasion of German territory since the early part of the war.

BREVARD INSTITUTE NOTES

The second term began Tuesday, January 6th. All day Monday rays of holiday seekers came in on every train and when chapel opened at nine o'clock most of the old pupils were in their seats and a number of new faces appeared among them. There are always a number of changes at the Christmas vacation, but the new arrivals usually offset the number of those who for various reasons drop out at that time.

Among the new students entering at this time may be mentioned Miss Sarah Shipman of Etowah, Miss Justice of Hendersonville, Miss Thomas of South Carolina, whose sister is already here, Miss Palmer and Miss Messer of Oia, Miss King of Charlotte, Mr. Dalton of Winston-Salem, and others yet to come.

Work has begun on the annual Shakespearean play, which is to be "As You Like It," and a great deal of hard work is anticipated, as most of the material available is as yet untried and problematical. But this, of course, only adds zest to the rehearsals.

ORR SAW MILL

Mr. Robert Orr, who recently leased about a thousand acres on King's creek from the Cagle Mountain Improvement Company, has commenced operations at the saw mill, located a short distance from the Floyd Wood house. W. R. Warren from Henderson county is in charge of the sawing, and J. P. Mason of Sylva is lumber inspector. Twenty five or thirty men are employed in the various occupations of sawing, cutting, logging, etc., under Mr. Orr's supervision.

The lease is for four years, and means an increased population for that time in King's Creek Glen.

Excellent For Stomach Trouble.

"Chamberlain's Tablets are just fine for stomach trouble," writes Mrs. G. C. Dunn, Arnold, Pa. "I was bothered with this complaint for some time and frequently had bilious attacks. Chamberlain's Tablets afforded me great relief from the first, and since taking one bottle of them I feel like a different person." For sale by all dealers. adv

COMMISSIONERS MEET

The county board of commissioners met in the register of deeds' office on Monday and Tuesday. All the members were present. A great deal of routine work was disposed of.

A petition was filed with the board asking for an election on the stock law in upper East Fork. The petition was signed by more than one fifth of the voters in the district, which comprises parts of Dunn's Rock and Eastatoo townships. The petition was granted by the board and the date of election fixed on Tuesday, February 16.

In response to the published notice for bids on management of the county home, these bids were submitted to the board. W. A. Brown was selected by the commissioners as superintendent of the home, and he will begin his duties on January 15. W. P. McGaha, who has been in charge for a number of years, will move to his farm at Selma.

RECORDER'S COURT

The recorder this week had two busy days disposing of three cases brought before him. Following was the docket:

State vs. Robert Saltze, assault; guilty. Defendant was charged with assault on his wife. He was given twelve months on the road.

State vs. F. N. Willbanks, nuisance. The trouble with this defendant was alleged disorderly conduct on the passenger train. He was arrested at Rosman after having made his escape from the train. The defendant entered a plea of nolo contendere, and judgment was suspended on payment of the costs. The defendant was required to execute a bond in the sum of \$200 for good behavior on the property of the Southern railway for a period of twelve months.

State vs. John Morgan, colored, and others, affray. This case was the affray near Davidson river among a number of negroes, in which several were wounded. A motion for non-suit was made by attorney O. W. Clayton for part of defendants but was overruled by the court. Marshall Gash was found not guilty. Mary Morgan and John Morgan, guilty. They were given sixty days. Bill Gash, guilty, thirty days. Walter Edwood, guilty, judgment suspended on costs. Mary and John Morgan and Bill Gash made appeal. Appeal bond was fixed at \$200 for each defendant.

LAKE TOXAWAY ITEMS

Miss Maud and Carrie McNeely have returned to the Brevard Institute after spending the holidays at their home.

Mr. Walter McNeely has returned from the Mission hospital, where he underwent an operation for appendicitis.

Mr. Oland S. Kinsland has returned from Topton, where he is engaged in the lumber business, and is spending the holidays with his family.

Miss Sarah Owen spent the holidays with her parents and has returned to Mars Hill college, where she will enter school.

Miss Edith Price spent the holidays with Misses McNeely.

Miss Lena McKim was able to enter upon her school duties last Monday after a month of illness, in which Mrs. C. S. Kinsland taught the primary department that month.

Following is the honor roll of Lake Toxaway school—those that did not miss a day and were not tardy for the month:

First Grade—Vincent Owen, Harold Willbanks, Ethel Owen.

Third Grade—Florence Gillespie, Jessie Gillespie, Latha Smith, Leonard Willbanks, Fred Owen, McKay Collins.

Fourth Grade—Clara Owen.

Fifth Grade—Leonard Thomas, Artemas Owen.

Seventh Grade—Beulah Fisher, Annie Broadlove, Fred McNeely.

FARM DEMONSTRATORS

Mr. T. C. Henderson, president of the Transylvania County Farmers' Union, has been in correspondence with well-informed citizens from various counties on the subject of farm demonstration work, and has gained from them a good deal of information as to methods and results in these counties.

As the question of having a farm demonstrator for this county is one now being agitated, we publish some of the correspondence for the consideration of our readers.

NEW HANOVER COUNTY.

New Hanover has a farm demonstrator at a salary of \$600.00 a year, all of which is paid by the county commissioners. Results: "Where our farmers once grew a single crop on land each year the same people are now growing two, three and four crops. The soil of New Hanover county, as a result of the work of the county farm demonstrator, is producing more revenue per acre than any of the adjoining counties."

BRUNSWICK COUNTY.

Brunswick county has employed a farm demonstrator who will begin his work January 15 at a salary of \$1,000.00 a year. One-half the salary is to be paid by the county commissioners and the remainder by the state department of agriculture.

ROBESON COUNTY.

Robeson county has a farm demonstrator. Salary \$1,200.00 a year. The county commissioners pay \$720.00, the remainder is paid by the United States government. "Our farm demonstrating agent has brought about a more intelligent farming, an increase in production per acre, interested the boys in the boys' corn club work and works in co-operation with the farm life school and the farmers' union."

MADISON COUNTY.

Madison county has a good man on the job. His salary is \$600.00 a year. One-half of this amount is paid by the county commissioners and the other half is paid by the department of agriculture. The benefits are so many that no county should be without a farm demonstration agent."

WICKLENBURG COUNTY.

Wicklenburg has a farm life demonstrator. His salary is \$1,200.00. The county commissioners pay \$600.00 and the United States agricultural department contributes the balance. "The county derives great benefit from the services of the farm life demonstrator. His salary many times over is returned to the county each year. The return is increasing as the years go by."

ROWAN COUNTY.

Rowan county has a farm demonstration agent at a salary of \$1,200.00 a year. The county commissioners pay \$720.00 and the government \$480. Results: "Better farms, a saving the farmers, better schools, more interest in all things which tend to build up country life. A county without this most important adjunct is at a very great loss."

WORK ON SIDEWALKS

A street force started to work this week making some much needed improvements on the Main street sidewalk. Repairs were begun on the section of the walk between Mitchell's corner and Glazner's store. The shade trees along this part of the street had undermined the brick paving with a network of small roots, causing the sidewalk to be very rough and uneven.

Farther up street bricks have been laid down for the extension of the pavement from England street to the corner of Oakdale avenue. When this is completed there will be continuous brick paving from the east Franklin corner to Oakdale avenue on the north side of Main street.

NIGHT STILL RAID

Deputy collector J. A. Galloway, accompanied by J. F. Cade of Asheville and Coleman Galloway made a successful raid on Tuesday night in the upper part of the county.

The night was dark and rainy, the still they went after was perched on a mountain side about three miles from Quebec, and the way leading to it was very difficult. The side of the mountain was nearly straight up and down, and the moonshiner had chosen a spot well fitted for an eagle's nest. To the well trained officer such difficulties as pouring rain, obscure trails, and precipitous cliffs covered with dense undergrowth only make his work interesting. The still was reached and the whole outfit of a seventy gallon plant was captured, but the stiller was not taken.

LITTLE RIVER ITEMS

Rev. Mark R. Osborne made a short visit to his old home during the holidays.

Wilson McCall has entered school at Penrose.

Mr. M. L. Hamilton has recently moved into the Ashworth house, near Merrell's store.

Miss Lillie Pickelsimer and Miss Rosa Hamilton returned to Fruitland Monday.

A large number of the young people of Little River were entertained at a birthday party given by Miss Lillie Pickelsimer last Saturday evening. Fruits were served and various games were played. The evening proved to be a very enjoyable one for all present.

The school at Little River will close January 15th. We understand that an entertainment will be given at the close of the school.

Mr. Henry McCall made a visit to Blantyre Sunday.

BREVARD BAPTIST CHURCH

Jordan street, A. W. McDaniel, pastor. Phone 145.

Sunday school at 10:00 a. m.

Morning worship at 11:00 a. m. Sermon theme, "How To Have An Evergreen Church."

The evening service will be at 7:15 p. m. Sermon theme, "Daniel, the Young Hero of Long Ago."

The Young Christian's Bible class meets Monday at 3:20 p. m. All young people are invited.

The mid-week church gathering for fellowship and worship at 7:15 p. m. Wednesday. Bring your Bible and a bountiful supply of smiles and handshakes.

LAND TRANSFERS

The following deeds of recent date have been recorded by the register:

R. H. Zachary and wife to Mrs. O. O. Zachary, about seven acres of land on the turnpike road just outside the incorporate limits of Brevard, for the consideration of \$4,000.

M. M. Alexander and wife to H. L. Allison and wife, ninety acres of land at Cherryfield, in Catheys Creek township, for \$8,000.

H. L. Allison and wife to E. E. Shuford and T. W. Whitmore, twenty-seven and one-half acres of land, adjoining the lands of W. H. Grogan and others, for \$4,000.

E. F. Gillespie and wife to Irene Worley, parts of lots eight and nine of the Verdery & Duckworth tract on Hamlin Hill, for \$200.

Dangers of a Cold.

Do you know that of all the minor ailments colds are by far the most dangerous? It is not the colds themselves that you need to fear, but the serious diseases that they so often lead to. For that reason every cold should be gotten rid of with the least possible delay. To accomplish this you will find Chamberlain's Cough Remedy of great help to you. It loosens a cold, relieves the lungs, aids expectoration and enables the system to throw off the cold. For sale by all druggists. adv

DEATH OF MRS. NEELEY

The friends of Mrs. R. D. Neeley were grieved to learn of her death, which occurred shortly after four o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

On the tenth day after the gasoline accident, which happened on Monday, December 28, the burned places on her body were healing nicely, but she had never been able to recover from the severe mental and nervous shock. At nine o'clock a. m. on January the 6th, expected and fatal complications under the circumstances supervened, leaving no hope for her recovery.

Mrs. Neeley was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Asa Southern. She was born thirty-six years ago in Brevard and spent her life in this community. She was married to R. D. Neeley twenty years ago last August. Of this union there are five children who survive her. Two sisters, Mrs. Emma Bobb and Mrs. Maude Moore, both of Greenville, S. C., also survive of her immediate family.

The funeral services, as we go to press on Thursday afternoon, were to be held at the Baptist church, of which she was a member, and the interment to follow at Oak Grove cemetery, the services being conducted by Rev. A. W. McDaniel.

PENROSE LOCALS

Miss Ina Talley returned to Calhoun Monday where she has been attending school.

Mr. Jim Jenkins and family have moved to Capt. J. S. Boggs', over on Turkey creek.

Mrs. J. R. Owen of Mars Hill is visiting at the home of Dr. and Mrs. W. M. Lyday.

Miss Bessie Lyday has returned to the Normal at Asheville, where she has been taking a special course since college opened in the fall.

Miss Bessie Hall spent her vacation during Christmas here with friends instead of going to her home in Wilkesboro, as it was so far.

Miss Valeria Justice went to her home in Asheville for the Christmas holidays.

Prof. A. F. Mitchell went to his home in Mountville, S. C., for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. Verdil Lyday has gone to Wake Forest, where he will take up the study of law.

Messrs. Harley Lyday and Will Hollingworth have gone to Durham on a business trip for Mr. J. L. Wilson.

All the teachers of our school were back and ready for work on Monday morning when the 1915 session opened. Several new students came as well as all of the former students. Our school is growing every day. We have the prospects of the grandest session in the history of our school. Everybody says so. Come, boys and girls, and join the rapid growing school. Tuition is just free and board is cheap enough to make you laugh.

Mr. Wilson McCall of Little River came over and joined our school last Monday morning. He is boarding at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Lyday.

Miss Ossie Clayton and her brother, T. S. Clayton, both of Carson and Newman, Tenn., spent their Christmas vacation here with their parents.

Rev. E. Allison will preach for us every first and third Sunday morning at eleven o'clock. On the next third Sunday he will preach a special sermon for the ladies, then on the first Sunday in February a special sermon for the men. Everybody is most cordially invited to attend these services.

Biliousness and Constipation Cured.

If you are ever troubled with biliousness or constipation you will be interested in the statement of R. F. Erwin, Penn. Ind. "A year ago last winter I had an attack of indigestion followed by biliousness and constipation. Seeing Chamberlain's Tablets so highly recommended, I bought a bottle of them and they helped me right away." For sale by all dealers. adv