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MORE BUSINESS CHANGES

Hardly was the ink dry which recorded the change in Macfie's drug store—the purchase of a half interest by Dr. M. C. Brodie—when the news of another series of changes came to our ears. Readjustments of alliances and ententes seemed to follow one another with such rapidity that a pardonable state of confusion over the facts reigned in our minds. When the fluid conditions had taken on a crystallized form it was learned that Mr. J. M. Allison had sold out his interest in the Duckworth Drug Company to Mr. T. H. Shipman; that Mr. Shipman had sold his share in the Farmers and Home Supply Company to Mr. Allison, and finally, that Mr. Shipman had sold his newly acquired interest in the drug business to Mr. E. W. Blythe. Mr. Blythe has thus become a partner in the business which he has served since its beginning in a very important way—that of licensed druggist.

CARD FROM MR. ALLISON

Brevard, N. C., May 12, 1915.
To the Good People of Transylvania:

Having disposed of my interest in the Duckworth Drug Company, I take this opportunity to thank my many friends for their patronage while I was connected with Mr. John W. Duckworth in said business and to also bespeak their continued patronage to him and his associates.

I have secured an interest in the Farmers' Supply Company and the Home Supply Company and will be very glad to have the business of my friends when they want to buy any hardware, furniture, stoves, ranges, house furnishings, paints or farm implements and along with the other members of the firm I can promise courteous treatment, prompt service, low prices and high quality, and the man or woman who only wants to buy a small bill of goods will receive the same treatment and prices as those who buy in large quantities.

Again thanking you for your patronage in the past and asking for your business in the future, I am,
Yours respectfully,
J. M. Allison.

TURKEY CREEK ITEMS

Mr. James Deaton with a party of government surveyors was on Turkey Creek last week making some alterations in the boundary line of the property recently purchased by the government from the Vanderhill estate.

Thanks to the good weather most of our farmers are sowing and taking a few days needed rest, after the planting of a very heavy crop.

A good many of the people of Turkey Creek are attending a series of meetings at Davidson River school house by the Rev. Mr. Hendrick.

We notice that the government is placing poles along Davidson River for the telephone line into the Pink Beds.

Votes: Four.

CARD OF THANKS

I take this opportunity of thanking the voters of the town of Rosman for their liberal support of me as mayor on May 11th. Ernest Paxton, D. J. Bullock and W. E. Shipman were elected aldermen. We hope to have the co-operation of the people in performing our duties as officers. Respectfully,
W. P. HOSKIN.

For a Torpid Liver.

"I have used Chamberlain's Tablets off and on for the past six years whenever my liver shows signs of being in a disordered condition. They have always acted quickly and given me the desired relief," writes Mrs. E. H. Trubus, Springville, N. Y. For sale by all dealers.—Adv.

SINKING OF LUSITANIA

On Friday, May 7, about noon the Cunard liner Lusitania was sent to the bottom by a German submarine off the Irish coast.

The Lusitania set sail from New York on Saturday, May 1, with 1,251 passengers aboard, 188 of whom were Americans, and with a crew of 816. The ship's cargo included 280,000 pounds of brass and copper wire, \$66,000 worth of military goods, and 5,471 cases of ammunition, all of which was contraband of war.

On the day of her departure the German embassy published a warning, which asserted that travelers intending to embark on British ships would do so at the risk of the ship's being destroyed in accordance with the German war zone decree. This published warning did not result in the cancellation of a single passage.

The Lusitania was steaming along near the Irish coast and had reached a point in the last stage of the voyage to Liverpool, beyond which the dangers incident to ocean travel were supposed to be past. Suddenly, according to reports first received, while the passengers were at luncheon a German submarine appeared and without warning sent two torpedoes crashing into the side of the ship. In less than a half hour she disappeared beneath the waves.

The first reports of the disaster received in this country indicated that the passengers had been saved, but the relief felt from this news was soon shattered by the later tidings that only six or seven hundred persons had been saved. The effect of these reports was somewhat similar to that following the wreck of the Titanic three years ago, with the added feeling that this country had before it the most serious problem yet presented by the European war. Official Washington was silent as to any action that might be taken by this country, but there were not lacking voices of loud denunciation of Germany's disregard of the rights and lives of neutrals. Ex-President Roosevelt spoke of it as an act of piracy.

It will be remembered that it was the sailing of the Lusitania under the stars and stripes some time ago that precipitated the trouble in regard to neutral commerce and led to the German war zone decrees.

Notwithstanding the great amount of excitement both in England and America, President Wilson took up the matter with characteristic deliberation. The question now was made that the president wished that the country expect it to do, to do with deliberation as well as with haste.

No longer had it developed that American lives had been taken and the attention of the whole country was turned toward the White House and the question in regard to the president's attitude was in every mind. President Wilson made public his views on the whole question of America's connection with the war in a speech at Philadelphia on the night of May 6. In this speech he made no direct reference to the Lusitania, but left no doubt as to his earnest desire to stay out of the war. He said: "My advice to you is to think first not only of America but to think first of humanity, and you do not divide humanity into jealous camps." The president's speech was received with much applause and demonstrations of approval.

In sharp contrast with the mild words of President Wilson was the verdict of a coroner's jury at Kinsale, Ireland, over five bodies drowned in the sinking of the Lusitania. The verdict charged the officers of the submarine and the emperor and government of Germany with the crime of wholesale murder before the tribunal of the civilized world.

At a cabinet meeting on Tuesday, May 11, the president submitted the draft of a communication to be sent to Germany, and it was unanimously approved. While this communication was not made pub-

lic, it was known to contain a demand that an explanation be made of the events following the declaration of the war zone—the sinking of the Falaba with the loss of the American citizen Thresher's life, the attack on the Cushing by German aviators, the torpedoing of the Gulllight, and the sinking without warning of the Lusitania with the loss of American lives. It also contained a demand on Germany henceforth to observe the international rules of warfare, Germany's circular promising reparation for loss of neutral vessels is not regarded as likely to affect the determination of President Wilson in these demands. Germany's official expression of regret for the loss of lives in the sinking of the Lusitania was presented to this government on Tuesday by the German ambassador.

MORUMENT UNVEILED

The monument erected to the memory of B. P. Merrill at Little River by the Woodmen of the World was unveiled with Woodmen ceremonies last Sunday afternoon, May 9, by Calhoun Camp No. 376. This camp was assisted in the ceremonies by the members of Company I, Balsam Camp No. 116, of Brevard, and also by the members of uniform rank of the Rosman camp.

Rev. E. Allison of Little River made a short talk appropriate to the occasion and the address for the Woodmen was made by Mr. W. H. Grogan, Jr.

The unveiling ceremonies were well attended. About three hundred people from different localities were present.

INSTITUTE NOTES

The Taylor Literary Society gave their final program last Saturday night. The program included a number of old-time songs, sung by the full society; a double quartette, a duet, violin and piano; a declamation and a debate on the question: Resolved, that the right of suffrage should be extended to the women of N. C. by an amendment to the Constitution thereof. Affirmative C. L. Nichols, J. H. Hood; Negative, A. C. O'Kelly, L. M. Hensley. The judges decided in favor of the negative.

On Monday, the seniors and a number of their friends went to Caesar's Head, See-off and Conestee. They started at 5 a. m. and got back about 9 p. m., having had a most beautiful day and a delightful time, without accident of any sort. The party was chaperoned by Miss Wells, Miss Wilson and Mr. Douglas.

The work of grading and terracing the ground about the administration building is being pushed as rapidly as possible and it is hoped that the grass will soon be growing on the terrace about the building. The recent violent rain washed away a good deal of the fresh earth that had been put on the terrace and much of the boys' work has had to be done over.

VOTE OF THANKS

Care's Hill Baptist church and Sunday school wishing to express approval of the action taken by our representative, Hon. Chas. B. Deaver and Hon. Cos Paxton in passing a special act forbidding the shipment of whiskey into Transylvania county, by a rising vote a few weeks ago extended to these gentlemen their sincere thanks and hearty support for the firm stand they have taken for the moral uplift of our people and our county.

Whooping Cough.

"About a year ago my three boys had whooping cough and I found Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the only one that would relieve their coughing and whooping spells. I continued this treatment and was surprised to find that it cured the disease in a very short time," writes Mrs. Archie Dalrymple, Crooksville, Ohio. For sale by all dealers. adv

MOTHER'S DAY

Mother's Day was celebrated last Sunday at the Methodist church with appropriate exercises. At the church door three young ladies met each person of the male sex entering and pinned on his coat a little bouquet of dogwood blossoms. White flowers also adorned the chancel and pulpit. The usual morning sermon was dispensed with, Rev. W. M. Robbins taking part in the program by making a talk on the general subject. His emotions were deeply stirred as he talked on the touching theme of "Mother."

Mr. Verne Clement declaimed Joaquin Miller's celebrated poem, "The Greatest Battle," in which occurs the well known line "It was fought by the mothers of men." The piece was well delivered and uttered so distinctly that all the congregation could catch the ideas and beautiful sentiment of the poem. Mrs. Miles Reece also read a poem endeared to many by long association—"Rock Me to Sleep, Mother"—in a very sympathetic manner, touching the feelings of the audience. Two special songs, dealing with the same theme, were sung: a duet by Miss Agnes Kilpatrick and Mrs. Paul Smathers, "Blessed Be," and a solo by Mr. Clarence Douglas, "Tell Mother I'll Be There," both well sung, and having on this occasion a special appeal.

ROSMAN HAPPENINGS

The farmers of this section are all about through planting corn and the rye crops are looking fine.

Mrs. J. N. Lee went to Brevard last Monday to have some dental work done.

We are glad to report that Mrs. M. M. Bryant, who has been critically ill for some time, is much improved.

We saw a petition some time ago in regard to bonds for a new school building in this town. What has become of it? We haven't heard anything of it lately.

A party consisting of Rev. J. N. Lee and wife, A. M. Paxton and wife, Misses Della Gillespie, Cora Willson and Geneva Gillespie went on a fishing trip last Thursday to the Big Cane Break. They all report an unusually fine time, although it rained Friday and they had to come all the way home in the rain. However, we hear no report of any of the crowd being sick from their trip. A nice lot of fish were caught.

The Rosman people had the pleasure of enjoying an evening of good singing the first Sunday in the month, led by Prof. Belling of Pickens, S. C. Mr. J. R. Meese accompanied him and made a splendid talk after the singing. We are always glad to have Brother Meese with us.

Rev. F. M. Jordan, probably the oldest minister in Transylvania county, will preach at Zion church next Sunday morning. We hope everybody that can will be present, for we will not have an opportunity of hearing Brother Jordan many more times.

Miss Grace Gillespie went to Brevard Monday shopping.

The banner awarded by Zion Sunday school to the class making the highest average attendance was won this month by the Junior class, of which Miss Della Gillespie is teacher. This class also won a half interest in the star offered to the class having the largest collection, having tied with Mrs. G. L. Tabors' class. The class winning the banner made an average of a fraction over 90%, and the average for the entire school was over 84%.

Miss Myrtle Gillespie was in town shopping last week.

Miss Cora Willson of Brevard is visiting friends in and around Rosman this week.

We understand that a saw mill will be installed near the forks of the river at Galloway's Siding in the near future. We hope this is true.
HOSKY BEE.

LADIES' NIGHT

Ladies' night at the Brevard Club Wednesday night was a success in every particular, and the unusually large crowd present voted it one of the best in the history of the club. Nearly every member of the organization took advantage of the opportunity to invite some lady and the club rooms presented an animated scene as the ladies learned the art of playing pool, kooler, etc.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. H. Shipman, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Doyle and Mr. and Mrs. Frank D. Clement were on the receiving committee, while every member of the club was a member of the entertainment committee. After dancing, playing games, etc., for a while ice cream, cake and punch was served, after which the fun continued until a late hour.

RECORDER'S COURT

The recorder had an unusually long session Monday, the time of the court being taken up until far into the afternoon with the consideration of two cases. The case of State vs. Welch Galloway, under a suspended sentence for larceny, was continued until next week when a final disposition of the case will be made.

Kope Kilgore, a gentleman sport of color, drew a fine of twenty dollars and costs for cruelty to animals, it being charged that he had a horse from Hamilton Bros. livery stable and drove him too hard.

The case of most importance and interest was that of State vs. J. H. Galloway and Sarah Murphy, charged with fornication and adultery. A large number of witnesses from Rosman were examined in this case, after which the recorder sentenced each of the defendants to six months on the roads, from which sentence both appealed to the higher court, bond being fixed at two hundred dollars.

ENGLISH CHAPEL NOTES

Miss Eva Orr and brother of Erwin spent the week end visiting friends at this place.

Mr. P. P. Orr conducted singing at this place last Sunday.

Rev. D. L. Earls preached an interesting sermon here last Sunday morning.

Miss Myrtle Hedden and brother have recently returned to Pink Beds from Fruitland Institute where they have been in school.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hedden of Pink Beds were callers in this section Sunday.

Mr. A. C. McCall of this place happened to a very painful accident last Saturday by getting his leg badly crushed. We are glad to know he is getting along nicely.

BUY A MAXWELL CAR

If you want the best for the least money, then you should buy a five-passenger Maxwell car for \$750 f. o. b. Detroit. The 1915 Maxwell car with twenty-five horse power, electric lights, Gray & Davis self-starter, etc., is good enough for anybody. Ask J. W. McMillin, C. M. Cooke, W. H. Duckworth and Whitfield Brooks, who have bought Maxwell cars from us. We are special agents for the Maxwell in the following counties: Transylvania, Henderson, Buncombe, McDowell, Haywood, Madison, Jackson, Swain, Cherokee, Graham, Clay and Macon. We will sell you a car for 50% cash and you can be joy riding while you pay the balance. Agents wanted on very liberal commission. Write us at once.

WHITFIELD, SMATHERS & MULL,
Special Dealers.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the members of the fire department for their prompt action and valuable service in response to the alarm of fire at our place last Monday morning. Such promptness and efficiency deserve commendation.

Respectfully,
DR. AND MRS. C. W. HUNT.