

Two facts at work which will make piano prices higher. Only those who buy NOW, can hope to obtain the benefit of present low prices

EVERY piano and player-piano offered for sale, whether it is now in the hands of the merchant or manufacturer, will be taxed 5 per cent. according to the new revenue bill which is now before Congress.

Besides this, the duty on tuning pins, ivory, felts, varnish gums, shellac, rubber and all other imported raw materials entering into the construction of pianos and player-pianos will be increased from 20 to 30 per cent.

This plainly means that pianos will have to bring from \$50 to \$100 more than their present price. There is no evading it.

And this advertisement is published to call to the attention of those who are expecting to place pianos in their homes within the next few months, the fact that if they want to take advantage of the low prices which are now prevailing—they must do so NOW—BEFORE THE WAR REVENUE BILL, WHICH IS NOW BEFORE CONGRESS, BECOMES A LAW.

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RECRUITING CAMPAIGN FOR LOCAL GUARDSMEN

WILL USE TENT ON PARK SQUARE THIS WEEK.

All Four Organizations Will Work to Bring Their Strength Up to the Full War Quota.

National guard recruiting will start this week in earnest and the khaki tent on Park square will be used by the recruiting officers of the local units, namely, Companies F and K, Infantry; Troop B, Cavalry, and the Field Hospital Corps.

Company F is now under command of First Lieutenant Edward F. Jones, Captain Carl Felmet having recently resigned. Sergeant John Hunicutt, recently appointed second lieutenant, is filling the position held by Lieutenant Russell Woods, resigned, and who is now attending the officers' training camp at Fort Oglethorpe.

Company K is under command of Captain C. L. Bard. D. B. Penland is first lieutenant and Harold Koon, second lieutenant. Company K has gained a reputation by the expert shooting of the men and is known throughout the state guard as the crack shot unit.

Troop B is under command of Captain Frederick Rutledge. Rufo Fitzpatrick is first lieutenant and Jacob Stelling is second lieutenant. The troop has been lately supplied with mounts and regular mounted drills are held each week at Biltmore, the men having gained much proficiency.

The Field Hospital Corps is commanded by Major Francis J. Clemenzer. Lieutenant Ben Meriwether is the only other local officer connected with the sanitary unit. The members of the corps are scattered over a wider area than any of the other Asheville commands, but its headquarters are here.

All four of the local units saw service on the Mexican border last year and the two infantry companies returned in February. Troop B and the hospital corps were sent back to Asheville in March. Most of the members of all four commands are, in a sense, veterans and it would not require much drilling to fit them for service.

The Asheville guardsmen will be ordered to leave for their respective mobilization camps within a short time, and in accordance with the president's orders, they are now being recruited up to full strength. Drills are held at the infantry armory on Broadway about twice each week.

The recruits are given physical examinations at once and are provided with equipment and uniforms soon after they are accepted. A busy and successful campaign for new members is expected by the commanding officers of the four organizations.

BIG MASS MEETING AT THE AUDITORIUM

SPLENDID TALK AND SINGING FEATURE.

Rev. Herbert Booth Delivers Forceful Address on "Signs of Times and Coming of Lord."

A splendid address, delivered by one who was a complete master of his subject, spirited and beautiful singing and liberal pledging by Baraca and Philathea, closed its annual session here last night.

Of the three features that marked the meeting as one of the most impressive and resulting of all those held, none stood out with more prominence than did the singing, under the direction of Harry A. Hudson, a well-known Asheville musician. A large choir of at least fifty voices, composed of some of the best talent in the five hundred or more delegates attending the convention, led the singing assisted by the orchestra of ten pieces.

Before the speaker of the afternoon, the Rev. Dr. Herbert Booth, D. D., began his remarks, Mrs. Lattimore, a member of the financial board of the state organization, took the platform and in few words told of the urgent need of funds in order that the work begun by the two classes might be continued. The amount pledged at the former meeting, she said, would not be near enough. Pledges were sung that were followed thick and fast. It was gratifying to note the large number of pledges made by individual persons, many of whom were not connected either with a Baraca or Philathea class.

Two addresses were to have been heard, one from the Rev. Dr. Booth and the other from Marshal A. Hudson, of Syracuse, N. Y., founder and president of the national organization of Baraca and Philathea. Mr. Hudson, however, was not present.

Shortly after devotional exercises had been conducted by Rev. W. Stanton, Mr. Booth was introduced. His subject was "Signs of the Times and the Coming of the Lord."

"It is difficult to talk on this subject," said Mr. Booth, "for the reason that it has so very many different avenues of thought—serious thought. Therefore, one cannot do it justice, unless he has had ample time to prepare his remarks and sufficient time to deliver them. Mine is the topic of the hour. It deals with the coming back of the King."

"Jesus Christ went out of this world, but he is coming back. He is coming again as the king of his people—king over all. The Bible says so and if it is not true, then the Bible is full of many, very many fallacious prophecies in the book of books leads up to the greatest event in history—the coming back of the Lord."

"The chief difficulty with the modern church," continued the speaker, "is very much the same as that of the church of the olden days. The high-browed, learned scholars could see how the Messiah could come as a King, but they were blind to the truth that first He must come as a Savior. They didn't know Him on the streets of Jerusalem. They mistook Him for an impostor. The same blindness has come on the church of today. We accept the truth that with 'His stripes we are healed,' but we are blind to what the Jews are alive to—how near His second coming is and that He is coming as King."

"Christians have many homes, among them one in heaven. But this latter home is a long way off. No one is in heaven yet; no one is in hell. All are somewhere between the two places. They are waiting to be mobilized by the Lord for a final victory over the powers of evil. It can be seen in the doctrines of the Lord's return to earth, that he is not only a great Savior, but a great politician. He has a great plan. It is to bring victory out of defeat. Of the 260 chapters in the new Testament, no less than 135 of them refer to the second coming of the Lord."

Speaking of the signs of the times, Mr. Booth said that every true minister should be a watchman, always on the lookout for these signs. Not only should ministers be watchmen, but also should every Bible class teacher be a student of the Bible.

"The Bible was not written for a

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CAPT. W. J. CALAIS IS DEAD IN SAVANNAH. A telegram announcing the death of Captain W. J. Calais in Savannah, Ga., Saturday night, has been received by friends in Asheville. Captain Calais, who has made his home in Savannah with his son for several years, is a former resident of Asheville.

Black and White Ointment BRIGHTENS UP Dark or Sallow Skin. Colored people by the thousands are clearing up and brightening their dark or sallow skins by applying Prof. Plough's Black and White ointment. It is a great scientific discovery; as the ointment is about the only preparation that bleaches or lightens up dark skin to such a light, delicate healthy tint as to fool most anybody.

COMMENCEMENT SOON AT FASSIFERN SCHOOL. Commencement exercises will be held at Fassifer School for Girls at Hendersonville next month. The following invitation has been received: "Mrs. McBee and Miss Shipp request the honor of your presence at the tenth annual commencement of Fassifer school, June 4 and 5, 1917, at Hendersonville, N. C."

PAVING BIDS TO BE SUBMITTED TODAY

County Commissioners Will Receive Estimates for Three Types of Work on Hendersonville Road.

Bids will be received up to 2 o'clock this afternoon for the rebuilding of the re-surfacing of the Hendersonville road, by the county commissioners.

There will be three classes of bids accepted. The first is for an asphalt road on a concrete base; the second for an asphalt surface, using the present macadam road for a base, and the third is for a new concrete road.

The bids will be opened later in the afternoon and the final decision of the county board will probably be announced then. The board has reserved the right to reject any or all of the bids. The road in Buncombe county is about nine miles in length. When built it will probably be eighteen or twenty feet wide throughout.

Buster Brown SHOES for Graduation Globe Temple Co. 14 Biltmore Ave.

BILTMORE SCHOOL IS CLOSED FOR THE TERM

PAGEANT ON LAWN PROVES A GREAT SUCCESS.

Recitation and Declamation Medals Are Awarded, and Certificate of Attendance Presented.

Biltmore High school closed its scholastic year during the past week with appropriate exercises, including recitation contests, a declamation contest, a play, pageant, and an address by Governor Locke Craig.

The elementary recitation contest was won by Willie Mae Ledford, whose subject was "Brier Rose." Eula Reed was given second mention. The high school recitation contest was won by Artie Hare, who recited "Ole Mistis." Lillian Lipe won second honor.

The spring pageant was given late last Wednesday afternoon, and 175 students took part. The pageant was organized by the teachers and the school piano was moved out to the school campus and appropriate music was played throughout.

Pupils who achieved some special honor during the year, were placed in the hall of fame by the faculty. These honor pupils are Artus Moser, Willie Mae Ledford, Henry Fisher, Artie Hare, Annie Murphy, Robert Pursely, Beatrice Trantham and Maud Trantham.

The following forty-nine pupils were awarded certificates for being neither present nor absent during the entire school year of nine months: Blanche Cressman, Elizabeth Moody, Lottie Towe, Kerlee Griffin, Sarah Marshall, Reed Kitchin, Harold Butler, Tom Lanning, Myrtle Waggoner, Lucy Stevens, Hayward Powers, Elmer Moody, Vaughan Rock, Arnold Lanning, Lawrence Haws, Henry Shroat, Flunoy Griffin, George Matheson, Mark Matheson, Willie Mae Ledford, Charles Clapp, Ruth Bradford, Ruth Howell, Robert Pursely, Beatrice Baily, Lela Carland, John Matheson, Clifford Powers, Alma Rock, Eva Shroat, John Lanning, Paul Matheson, Lester Smith, Howard Ledford, Mary Matheson, Graelly Griffin, Hugh Bryson, Francis Roberts, Helen Trantham, Clyde Baily, Estelle Baily, Orville Haws, J. P. Butler, Georgia McMinn, Maud Trantham, Fred Herron, Annie Murphy, Mason Lettwich and Texie Smith.

Y. M. I. NOTES. (Contributed.) Rev. M. M. Jones, of Greensboro, delivered an address on "Personal Service" at the Y. M. I. yesterday afternoon. The meeting was largely attended. The closing exercises of the first, second and third grades of Hill Street school will be held at the Y. M. I. tonight at 8:30 o'clock.

The repairs in the Y. M. I. auditorium are completed, and the work in the building is progressing favorably.

DR. NORBURN ENLISTS UNITED STATES NAVY

Receives Degree From University of Virginia and is Now Stationed at Norfolk.

Dr. Charles S. Norburn, of Asheville, is among the city's contribution to the United States navy and has entered the service this past week with a record out of the ordinary.

Dr. Norburn had the distinction of being graduated from the University of Virginia, in the department of medicine, one month or more in advance of the usual time owing to his desire to enter the United States navy, combined with his scholarship. His marks received on the final examinations at the university were so unusually high that in the physical examination for the navy which followed the conferring of his degree certain minor points were waived. Following a brief period in Washington, the department permitted Dr. Norburn to return to his home here for a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Norburn.

Last week he received orders to report at Norfolk where he is now stationed at the navy hospital. After an interval of two weeks he will be given another physical examination, passing which he will go into the service as a surgeon with the rank of first lieutenant.

AROUND TOWN

LEAVES FOR TREATMENT.

Mayor J. L. Crook, of West Asheville, has left for Sommerset, Ky., where he will remain at the Anderson sanitarium for treatment for rheumatism. F. B. Ingie will act as mayor during Mr. Crook's absence.

GOING TO CAMP.

Sergeant Walter J. Griggs, of Company F, received an order by telegraph from the adjutant general at Raleigh, to report at the officers' training camp at Ft. Oglethorpe.

WILL REMAIN HERE.

Dr. Herbert Booth the evangelist, will remain in Asheville for another week and will preach next Sunday morning and evening services of the Central Methodist church.

BANKS TO CLOSE.

All banks will be closed today, in observance of Mecklenburg Declaration day.

CIRCLE TO MEET.

The Fannie Heck society of the First Baptist church, will meet this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock with Mrs. P. C. Page, of 110 Cumberland avenue.

IN COUNTY JAIL.

"Red" Britt was arrested last night, in the cotton mill section, on a charge of retailing. The warrant was sworn out before a magistrate, and Britt was placed in the county jail.

Denmark has only one illiterate in each 1,000 of population.

MAY ORGANIZE NEW RED CROSS AUXILIARY

Interest Shown in Work in West Asheville Cause of Meeting to Be Held There.

The extensive interest in Red Cross work shown in West Asheville has created the suggestion that a Red Cross auxiliary will be established there, similar to the auxiliary to be formed at Waynesville and Hendersonville this week.

A number of West Asheville residents are of course members of the Asheville chapter, and a number of ladies living in the suburb attend the semi-weekly working parties at the Masonic temple, but it is believed by a number of workers that more active interest would be stimulated by the creation of a unit which would make a direct appeal to West Asheville, and provide an easily accessible work room.

Tag day was a great success in West Asheville, and it is urged that all who became members then attend the meeting Tuesday.

BODY OF SOLDIER IS BURIED IN MORGANTON

MORGANTON, May 20.—The body of Ernest McGalliard, the young Burke soldier who died at Fort Du Pont, Del., Wednesday, reached home on the morning of the 20th. The funeral, conducted by Rev. E. E. Williamson, was held this morning at 10 o'clock at the residence of the brother of the deceased, Hardy McGalliard, and burial made in the family plot in the town cemetery.

Durant Woodward, the colored man who was injured in the runaway near the Morganton station a week ago Thursday, died Friday night, death being caused indirectly from the injuries he received. Woodward was thought to be the least seriously injured of the three victims of the runaway, when Rev. and Mrs. Hagaman, colored man's runaway team collided with it. The minister and his wife are recovering, though slowly, and Woodward was thought to have every chance of getting well when a sudden change for the worse Friday resulted in his death. His age was much against his recovery.

I KNOW THOUSANDS OF BOYS AND GIRLS WHO EAT POST TOASTIES EVERY MORNING - Bobby

The Lawleys As it is not the custom of this house to carry any Garments over a second season we are marking all our Spring and early Summer models At One-half Price Among these models are Suits, Gowns, and Wraps Afternoon and Dance Frocks, Blouses, Skirts and Sport Hats PLACED ON SALE TODAY In Our GROVE PARK INN SHOP