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HEAVY RAINS CAUSE GREAT DAMAGE IN THIS SECTION

Western Carolina has suffered more during the past week from heavy rains than for any period of similar length since the 1916 flood.

The rainfall has been above the normal and there have been but a few moments of sunshine during the past week, beginning on last Thursday.

The streams have been far out of their channels and the water of the French Broad river was several feet deep on the adjacent lands.

Railroad transportation has been suspended on the Transylvania division of the Southern owing to several washouts and no promise is given as to when service will be inaugurated.

Crops in the lowlands that had not been gathered have practically been ruined. Especially is this true of corn. The planting of wheat crops will be materially delayed and probably until it is too late for fall sowing. Considerable fruit had not been gathered and this has been greatly damaged.

The public roads are in bad condition and a few bridges have been washed out.

For the past few days the weather bureau has been promising fair and colder weather but, at this writing, Wednesday noon, the rain continues.

Ewbank Replies To Hudgins In Poetic Terms

A Poemette to Hon. Hoke Hudgins
(By E. W. Ewbank)

Dear Hoke:
I note with what enthusiastic ink
You've told the people what you
think!

I would not say that you had lied
Whatever argument you applied
To bolster up a losing cause
And fill the woods with great ap
plause!

No worthy cause is won by "bunk"
And cheap abuse is only "punk"
That dribbles through a leaky brain
As faulty roofs let in the rain.

A man of your intelligence,
Good judgment and true elegance,
When his opponent "acts the fool"
Should keep his buzzing cranium cool!

Don't fret your blooming carburetor;
Just call in some arbitrator
And ask if it's right and fit,
At this time to vote for Britt!

And now, in my conclusion, Hoke,
I surely am most glad you spoke;
To make me "mad" I shall not let it
And when the votes are counted I'll
forget it!

Yours sincerely,
WYT.

MR. EWANK SAYS TIMES
DENIED HIM SPACE FOR REPLY

Editor Hustler:

Having been criticized editorially by the Western North Carolina Times for the article which appeared over my signature on the 17th of October in your paper, I applied to the Times management for space, at advertising rates, to reply, but was refused on the ground that all space had been disposed of. It would seem that the Times is afraid to publish in its own columns the indisputable testimony of their own leaders when that testimony is fatal to their cause.

E. W. EWANK.
Ch'm'n Democratic Ex. Com.

WAR WORK CAMPAIGN ORGANIZED

Henderson County is Asked to Contribute \$42,000 for Welfare of Soldiers.

Henderson county plans for the United War Work campaign, which will be waged throughout the county from Nov. 11 to 18, have been completed.

The local district embraces Polk, Henderson and Transylvania counties and W. A. Keith is chairman of the district. R. P. Freeze is director of the district. John T. Wilkins is chairman for Henderson county and Erle G. Stillwell is secretary for this county.

Henderson county has been organized on the school district plan and the names of those forming the complete county organization will be published next week.

Henderson county's quota is \$42,000, that of North Carolina \$1,035,617, and of the United States \$170,500,000.

The money is to be used for the welfare of the soldiers by the following organizations: Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., War Camp Community Service, American Library Association, National Catholic War Council, Jewish Welfare Board and the Salvation Army.

FRANK BROWN DIED SUNDAY

W. Frank Brown, tax collector of Henderson county, died at his home in Hendersonville late Sunday afternoon of pneumonia.

The remains were interred at Mt. Moriah, the family burying ground, on Monday afternoon, members of the Masonic order and Woodmen of Hendersonville having charge of the services.

Mr. Brown had been critically ill for about a week and the end was not unexpected. His illness was of short duration.

Mr. Brown was a man of a very cheerful disposition and was in popular favor with the people. He was a good officer and also a republican democrat were pleased with his service, a life-long one remarking that he was one of the county's best tax collectors and one of the best boys ever reared in the Fruitland section.

Mr. Brown gave considerable time to the War Savings and Liberty bond campaigns, one of his latest contributions being his services in behalf of the recent bond sales.

Mr. Brown is survived by his wife and child, his mother, Mrs. Robert J. Brown, whose husband was buried in July, and the following brothers and sisters, all of this county: J. C. Brown, Mrs. Russell Youngblood, Mrs. Turner Justus, Mrs. L. R. Rhodes, Mrs. Oscar Nix, Mrs. James Lanning and Miss Willie Brown.

CONFERENCE SATURDAY OF WORKERS IN THE MILLION DOLLAR EDUCATIONAL DRIVE.

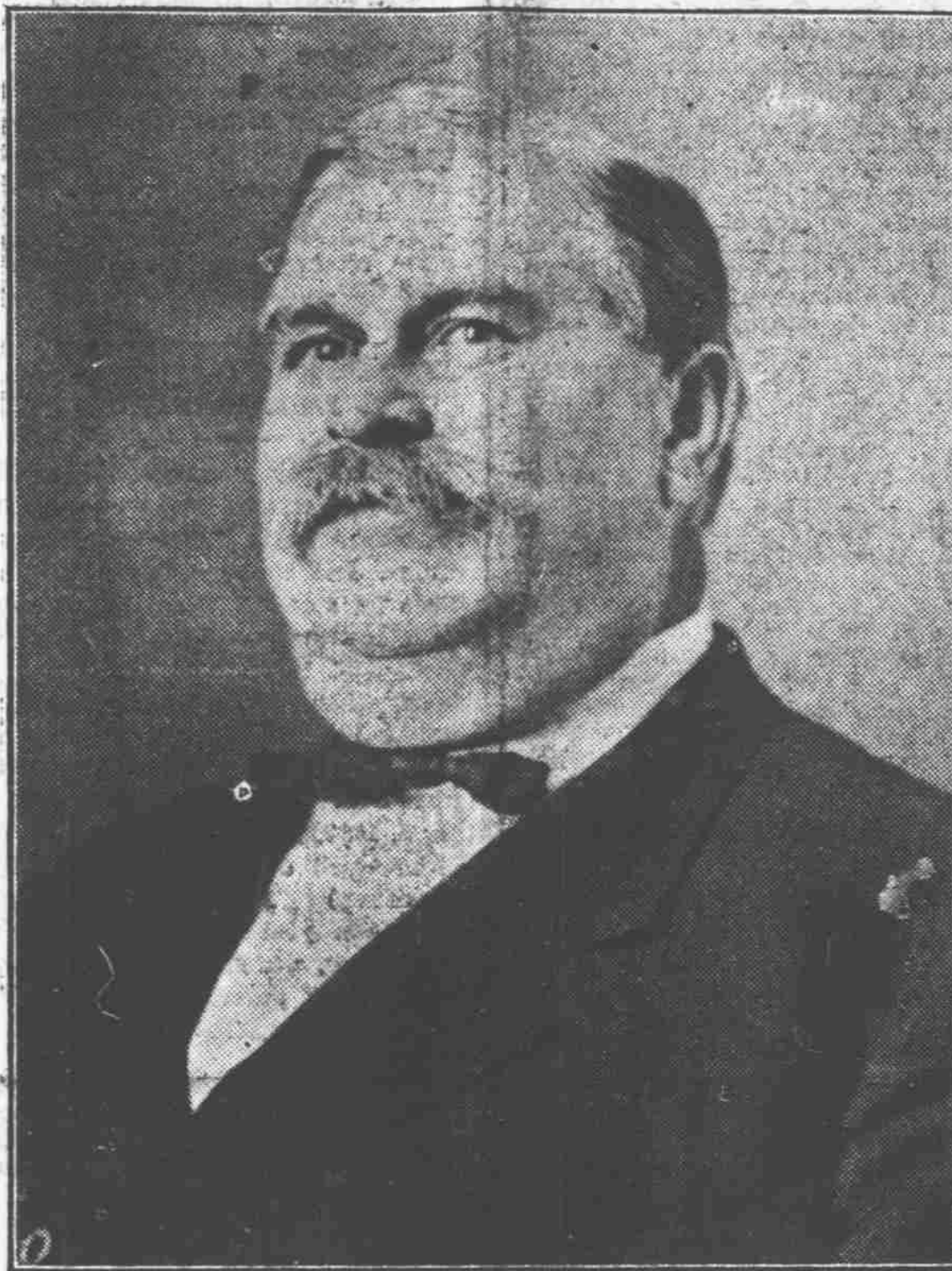
Workers in connection with the million dollar educational campaign to be conducted by the Baptists in North Carolina are requested to remember that a conference will be held on next Saturday, Nov. 2. This conference will consist of the church managers, pastors and speakers and all those who are to take part in the million dollar campaign. This county is called on to raise \$14,000. The conference will be at the First Baptist church at 10:30 Saturday morning.

Some one from the forces of the state educational board will be with us.

We hope to have the workers out in full force.

The Committee.

PACE WOOD AND TIMBER CO. HANDLES LARGE CONTRACTS; CONDUCTS BIG OPERATIONS



D. S. PACE

Sawing wood but making little noise.

This may be said of the executive office of the Pace Wood and Timber company, which is transacting a tremendous business from its Hendersonville office.

A visit to the office near the depot does not impress one with the great extent of business that is transacted from it because the working force is small. But despite appearances and little noise, great things are going on.

D. S. Pace for a number of years transacted the business in his name. It grew to big proportions and was organized about two years ago under the name of the Pace Wood & Timber company, a title being accepted that would signify the nature of the firm's business.

300 Wood Cutters Wanted

The Pace Wood & Timber company was recently awarded the contract by the United States government for supplying wood to Camps Wadsworth and Sevier. This involves over \$280,000 and is said to be the largest contract let in this section to any one firm. This contract was recently awarded and shipping will begin at once, shipments to be made from Western North Carolina and South Carolina.

This firm will cut the fire wood from



LAWRENCE J. PACE.

AN APPEAL TO ALL PATRIOTIC CITIZENS

To the Voters of North Carolina:

The most important forward step proposed in the recent history of our Commonwealth comes up for your action Tuesday, November 5th.

On that day each voter is privileged to cast a ballot reading "FOR SIX MONTHS SCHOOL TERM"

This is not a compulsory attendance law, but means simply that the Constitution of North Carolina will hereafter guarantee to keep open the school doors for at least a six-months school term in every school district in our poorest as well as in our richest counties.

Unanimously the State Conventions of both Republican and Democratic parties endorsed this proposed amendment in their platforms. Now let us not have merely a large, but as nearly as possible, a unanimous vote.

To all the world, on November 5th, let the proud message be sent that not only has our State taken this rightly forward step, but that it has declared for it almost as one man. To every voter—Democratic, Republican, and Independent—speaking in behalf of our common love for our home State, we appeal. Let us have no negative votes on this great forward movement. If any man in any community cannot vote for the measure, let him just pass the box by.

Let every voter remember to ask for the "FOR SIX MONTHS SCHOOL TERM" ballot when he goes to the polls, and let North Carolina report no negative votes on such a progressive and vitally important educational policy.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. Bickett
J. J. Joyner
Frank A. Linsley
J. D. Warron

Raleigh, N. C., October 24, 1918.

INFLUENZA IMPROVING

Despite what would reasonably seem to be very unfavorable conditions by reason of the inclement weather, the influenza epidemic appears to be improving.

Dr. A. B. Drafts, the county health physician, reports that the epidemic is not so serious as it was.

The weather conditions would be regarded as conducive to further trouble.

RED CROSS MONTHLY MEETING NEXT MONDAY.

Subject to further ruling by authorities suspending public gatherings, the Red Cross Chapter will hold its monthly meeting Monday afternoon, Nov. 4th in Mayor's Office at City Hall, 3:30 p. m.

Attendance all Chapter officers especially desired, and a representation from Branches requested.

The Executive Committee and the new officers are especially urged to attend this meeting.

H. F. STEWART,
Acting Sec'y.

TO PRESBYTERIAN LADIES.

Not being able to hold the annual chrysanthemum show this year we trust the members will send their contributions of money during the first week of November to any of the officers of the different societies.

Annie L. Anderson, President of Ladies' Aid Society.

Anna C. Morey, President of Young Women's Auxiliary.

Psalms 107 from 21st through 43 verses.

the Barker lands now owned by Messrs. Ewbank and Wrenshall and Messrs. Patton and Clarke. It will also work the boundary for the Stoney Mountain company and a large tract at Etowah. In order to accomplish this gigantic task as early as possible the company is seeking 300 wood cutters. This company last year shipped over 20,000 cords and the larger contracts will call for heavier shipments this year and necessitate the running of one or two special trains to the camps, as was the case last year.

Fifteen Saw Mills

The Pace Wood & Timber company is operating six saw mills and handling the output of fifteen. It is shipping all material for government use to the Emergency Fleet Corporation, the Railway Administration, to canneries, shipbuilding yards and other government works.

Big Iron Ore Operations

The company is operating the iron ore mine near Andrews in Cherokee county, said to be the biggest in Western Carolina. The present capacity is 100 tons per day and improvements are in progress which will give a capacity for 250 tons daily. Experts say it will take ten years to exhaust the ore, which is now being used by a foundry in government work.

At Del Rio, Tenn., the company is working a chestnut wood boundary approximated at 100,000 cords, which is being moved to the railroad over a flume eleven miles long. The output is being used by the Champion Fibre company at Canton. It is also filling a large pine wood contract for the Canton firm, for which it is buying exclusively in Western Carolina.

The Pace Wood & Timber company is supplying the Mount Mitchell railroad with cross-ties. This railroad was taken over by the government for transporting spruce pine for war purposes.

Pulp and extract wood is being bought between Asheville and Spartanburg and Hendersonville and Lake Toxaway. The company is buying all kinds of wood at various points in the nearby country districts and transporting it to Hendersonville with its large International trucks. It is also filling contracts for mahogany and cherry for the Ordnance Department material and this wood is being shipped to Denver, Colo. Locust pins are being shipped to shipbuilding yards in large quantities.

The Executive Force

The Pace Wood & Timber company is composed of D. S. Pace, who is the president of the company; and his son Lawrence J. Pace, its secretary and treasurer. With the help of a stenographer they constitute the office force which directs the large operations described above.

VOTE FOR MR. SCHENCK FOR SOLICITOR

The following correspondence relative to voting for Mr. Schenck instead of Mr. Shipman for solicitor on the democratic ticket is of vital importance:

Letter From Governor Bickett.
Raleigh, October 25th, 1918.
Mr. E. W. Ewbank,
Chairman Democratic Executive Com.
Hendersonville, N. C.

My dear Sir:—
Please let it be known that a vote for Mr. Schenck is a vote for Mr. J. E. Shipman for Solicitor. Mr. Schenck is still the Democratic nominee, but on his failure to qualify after election, or upon his qualification and resignation I shall at once re-appoint Mr. Shipman.

This is absolutely necessary and absolutely just and fair in order to save the votes of soldiers who have already voted for Mr. Schenck.

Very truly yours,
T. W. BUCKETT,
Governor.

Letter From Mr. Shipman
Hendersonville, N. C. Oct. 24, 1918.
To The Democratic Voters of the
Eighteenth Judicial District:

I hope you are emphasizing the importance of Democrats voting solidly for Schenck for Solicitor. He is the Democratic nominee and must be elected, else we will have a Republican for Solicitor for the Eighteenth Judicial district. I am serving the unexpired term, but expect a reappointment in the event of Mr. Schenck's election. He is going to remain in the Government service and Governor Bickett will appoint some good Democrat as solicitor after the election if Mr. Schenck carries the district, which, of course, he will do if every Democrat does his duty.

Let it be thoroughly understood that Mr. Schenck resigned as solicitor to accept a position in the Judge Advocate General's Department of the United States Army. In so doing, he left the Democratic nominee for solicitor for the reason that several hundred soldiers and other absent voters had already cast their ballots for him and these votes could not be transferred to another.

Pass the word along that a vote for Mr. Schenck means a vote for either myself or some other good Democrat to be named by the Governor. If the name of Mr. Schenck should for any reason, be scratched, it means a gain for the Republican nominee. Therefore, urge upon our folks the importance of voting for Schenck for solicitor.

Please notify our Democratic workers in every precinct and try earnestly to prevent anyone from failing to vote for Schenck. Kindly exert yourself in an effort to make this matter plain, so there may be no misunderstanding upon the part of any Democrat.

Yours for success,
J. E. SHIPMAN,
Solicitor 18th Judicial District.

A. E. HUDGINS WILL RUN FOR TAX COLLECTOR.

The death of Tax Collector Frank Brown removed from the county ticket the candidate for the office of tax collector and as a result the republican executive committee of the county met and nominated Adolphus E. Hudgins as a candidate for the office.

The democrats urged Chief of Police Otis Powers to enter the race in opposition to Mr. Hudgins, but Chief Powers thus far has declined to become a candidate.

MISS KATE ALLEN DIED FRIDAY; BURIED MONDAY

Miss Kate Allen died Friday afternoon at the home of her brother, T. B. Allen, in this city, after an extended illness.

The remains of Miss Allen were interred at Mills River Academy on Monday.

Miss Allen is survived by two brothers, T. B. and John Allen, both of this county.

Miss Allen of late had spent considerable time with her niece, Miss Carson Horne. Her health had been failing for quite a long time.

REMAINS OF FEW SHIPMAN LAID TO REST AT EBENEZER

The remains of T. Few Shipman, an account of whose death on the 20th in Aspen, Colorado, was given in last week's Hustler, arrived in Hendersonville Sunday and interment was made in the family burying ground at Ebenezer Wednesday afternoon.

Dr. W. F. Powell, of Asheville, teacher of the deceased several years ago at Fruitland, Dr. E. E. Bomar, pastor of the First Baptist church of Hendersonville, of which Mr. Shipman was a member, and Rev. A. I. Justice, close friend of the deceased and his family, conducted the funeral services at Ebenezer.

Early CHRISTMAS Shopping

BECAUSE OF THE WAR AND WAR-TIME NECESSITIES THE GOVERNMENT HAS URGED THAT THE CHRISTMAS SHOPPING SEASON BE BEGUN EARLIER THAN EVER BEFORE IN ORDER TO DISTURB BUSINESS CONDITIONS, OCEAN SHIPPING, MAIL, EXPRESS AND FREIGHT SERVICE AS LITTLE AS POSSIBLE. MERCHANTS EVERYWHERE ARE SHORT-HANDED, MANUFACTURERS ARE UNABLE TO TURN OUT GOODS AS QUICKLY AS IN PAST YEARS OR GET THEM TO THE RETAILERS, AND THE CONGESTION IN TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES WHICH ANNUALLY ACCOMPANIES THE SENDING OF PRESENTS AT CHRISTMAS TIME, UNLESS AVOIDED THIS YEAR, WILL SERIOUSLY INTERFERE WITH THE GOVERNMENT PROGRAM IN THE SHIPMENT OF WAR MATERIAL.