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FASSIFERN ESCAPED FLU; DOES SPLENDID WAR WORK.

(By Evelyn Byrd Graham)
Miss Shipp has sent \$47.00 to the Thompson orphanage at Charlotte for the Episcopal students as a Thanksgiving gift. Of this amount \$31.50 was raised by the play, "The Return," which was given on November 23, at 8 p. m. by the members of the VII club, assisted by the Misses Merrimon.

The play was a great success under the able management of Miss Lucy Bonnar. Refreshments were served. The remainder of the sum stated above was given by some members of the faculty and student body.

On Thanksgiving Rev. A. W. Farnum held services at the school at 11 a. m. Mr. Farnum's remarks were very impressive and appropriate.

The faculty and students of Fassifern felt this year that they had especial reason to be thankful, due to the fact that no member of their immediate families were killed during the awful bloodshed of the war, which has just ended; nor during the fearful siege of Spanish Influenza have there been any deaths in their families, and many of the parents, sisters and brothers have had the disease. This seems remarkable since there are nearly a hundred families represented in the school this year.

Fassifern congratulates herself upon the fact that there have been no cases of influenza in the school. Baskets were sent to the hospital and County Home on Thanksgiving from the faculty and students of the school.

December 14th will be observed as "Red Cross" day at Fassifern, devoting the entire day to Red Cross work. Because the war is over does not mean that we must stop work for the Red Cross. The chapters throughout the state will no doubt during the coming "Red Cross Week" put forth every effort to finish the articles which are needed to make our heroes comfortable who have sacrificed so much for their country's welfare.

Miss Graham, as chairman in the United States War Work Fund in school, collected \$65.10, which was handed over to the county treasurer for this purpose. In addition to this the school has sent to the American Committee for devastated France at New York, \$53.00 to help make the French children happy this Christmas; more is to be sent later.

The Fassifern Missionary society held its monthly meeting Sunday night. An interesting debate was the main feature of the program. The subject of the debate was: "Resolved, that missionaries should be sent to Turkey and other barbarous countries." Miss Dean Vanlandingham and Miss Kelly had the affirmative. Miss Erskin Barnaga and Margaret Huske had the negative. The speakers were well written and eloquent. The subject of the debate was: "Resolved, that missionaries should be sent to Turkey and other barbarous countries." Miss Dean Vanlandingham and Miss Kelly had the affirmative. Miss Erskin Barnaga and Margaret Huske had the negative. The speakers were well written and eloquent. The subject of the debate was: "Resolved, that missionaries should be sent to Turkey and other barbarous countries." Miss Dean Vanlandingham and Miss Kelly had the affirmative. Miss Erskin Barnaga and Margaret Huske had the negative. The speakers were well written and eloquent.

THRIFT AND WAR SAVING STAMPS PURCHASED BY THE MERCHANTS OF HENDERSON COUNTY SINCE LAST REPORT.

The merchants of Henderson county purchased during the months of October and November \$9,832.00 worth of Thrift and War Savings Stamps, the total amount purchased by the merchants to date being \$1,207.25, against a quota of \$16,497.00. I am very much gratified at the showing made by the merchants of the County and trust they will not slacken in this good work. This campaign closes on the 31st of December, 1918, at which time a full detailed report will be published showing what each merchant in the county has purchased. Let me urge that you do not fail to report to me all purchases made during this last month, in order that we may take a leaf out of Buncombe's book by over-subscribing our quota 300 per cent.

JOHN T. WILKINS,
County Representative.

WILL TWYFORD PROMOTED

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Twyford have received information that their son, Will Twyford, has been promoted from corporal to sergeant.

Sgt. Twyford is with the 30th division and is on German soil. He has been selected as one of those to take part in the exercises by riding a horse in a big tournament that has been planned. Sgt. Twyford is a member of the Charleston Light Dragoons, Troop B, 30th division.

Raisins have in them much nourishment.

MR. WEAVER IS WORKING FOR NEW HIGHWAY SYSTEM

Washington, Nov. 30.—Representative Zebulon Weaver is negotiating with the United States forest reserve looking to the establishment of a system of highways linking together the government reservations of Western North Carolina. The contemplated network of roads would establish easy communication between the Macon county lands at the head of the Cullasaja river, the Vanderbilt boundary, the Mitchell reservations and the lands at the head of Big Ivy creek in Buncombe county.

A congressional act makes it optional with the forest service whether funds shall be contributed for such purposes. Representative Weaver will ask for sufficient appropriations to establish this chain of improved highways. He has already held one conference with the forest service and this will be followed up with a series of conferences next week.

PRESIDENT WILSON GOES TO EUROPE FOR PEACE PLANS.

Washington, Dec. 3.—President Wilson began tonight his trip to Europe to attend the peace conference.

The President left Washington on a special train for New York where tomorrow he and his party will board the transport George Washington on which the voyage across the Atlantic will be made.

No announcement was made as to the president's itinerary but it was understood that the George Washington would steam from New York with her naval convoy some time tomorrow, probably in the morning. About seven days will be required for the trip and the ship will dock at a French port, presumably at Brest.

Six Weeks' Trip

The president does not expect to be abroad for more than six weeks which would give him just a month on European soil. Before the peace conference meets he will confer with Premier Lloyd-George of Great Britain, Clemenceau of France, and Orlando of Italy and probably with King Albert of Belgium, to discuss the salient points of the peace treaty.

While in Europe, Mr. Wilson plans to visit England and Italy as well as France and he may go to Brussels. He also is understood to intend to make a pilgrimage to some of the battlefields in France. Great preparations have been made in London, Paris and Rome for the president's reception.

FORMER KAISER WILL BE CHIEF CRIMINAL TRIED.

London, Saturday, Nov. 30.—(British Wireless service)—Discussing plans for bringing to justice former Emperor William of Germany, the Times asserts that "we had to settle one case before for punishment, he would be the person."

The paper adds that the argument that he cannot be punished because there are others who also are guilty cannot be admitted.

"By that argument," the Times continues, "a felon caught in the act would escape punishment because there are other felons who have not yet been brought to judgment and neither law nor common sense would listen to such a plea."

"Besides, it is not proposed to punish the Kaiser alone. There are others, too, who will be placed on trial, but he is the chief because most highly criminal."

"The one argument against doing what we can to bring this arch criminal to justice is that at present he is a mean and contemptible figure, hiding his head from the ruin he brought on his country and that if we prosecute him, we may somewhat impart dignity to him."

"On the other hand * * * how can respect for international law in the future be based on the immunity of the principal offender against its provisions in the past."

BOARD OF TRADE

Next month the Board of Trade will either publish a list of members who have paid their 1918 dues in full, or will publish a list of all members showing the quarterly payments.

It is the opinion of the board of governors that the latter course should be followed. It is up to the delinquents to make good according to their obligations.

A. S. TRUEX, Secretary.

The simplest meals are the best for health.

String beans and corn make delicious suggestions.

SHE KEPT THEM ON THE JOB



AMERICAN SPIRIT RELIED ON TO WIN.

In the light of succeeding events it is interesting to recall the confidence with which the United States Food Administrator viewed the gloomy outlook in July of 1917, when this country had been in the war for less than four months and the Germans were steadily sending the western front nearer and nearer to Paris.

"Even though the situation in Europe may be gloomy today," he declared in a public statement, "no American who has knowledge of the results already obtained in every direction need have one atom of fear that democracy will not defend itself in these United States."

LOYALTY IN LITTLE THINGS LAST PROOF OF PATRIOTISM

Americans without murmuring cut their sugar allowance from four pounds a month to three and then as long as need be to two pounds for loyalty's sake.

Food Will Win the World.

America earned the gratitude of allied nations during war by sharing food. America under peace may win the world's good will by saving to share.



DEMOCRACY VS. AUTOCRACY.

"There is no royal road to food conservation. We can only accomplish this by the voluntary action of our whole people, each element in proportion to its needs. It is a matter of equality of burden."

The truth of this statement, made by the United States Food Administrator soon after we entered the war, has been borne out by the history of our exports. Autocratic food control in the lands of our enemies has broken down, while democratic food sharing has maintained the health and strength of this country and of the Allies.

FIRST SNOW.

Hendersonville enjoyed its first snow Sunday night when it fell to a depth of one inch.

FARM DEMONSTRATION WORK WILL BE DISCONTINUED.

The new board of commissioners for Henderson county at its first meeting Monday, served notice on Farm Demonstrator Frank Flemming that his services would be dispensed with at the end of his present term in March.

This news is no surprise since it was whispered around before the election that the demonstration work would be discontinued in the event of the election of the candidates now in office.

Mr. Flemming has made his friends and enemies, as all public servants do, and quite a number of people who want to see more progress in farming lines will regret exceedingly that the work is to be discontinued.

KILLED IN ACTION.

The casualty list on Monday contained the name of Thomas J. Jones of East Flat Rock as one among those killed in action. The Hustler understands that Mr. Jones was not a native of this county but lived here for a few years.

SERGT. JOHN HYDER WOUNDED

The casualty list last week carried the name of Sergeant John Hyder of East Flat Rock as one of those wounded to a degree undetermined. Sergeant Hyder was one of those to leave in the draft the latter part of 1917.

OBIE K. JONES WOUNDED

Registrar of Deeds A. O. Jones has received information from his brother, Obie K. Jones, member of the regular army, to the effect that he was injured in the left arm and is in a hospital recovering from his wounds, which were only slight.

KILLED IN ACTION.

Monday's paper carried the name of Private Volle Patan Garren, of Fletcher, as one killed in action in the European war.

POSTMASTER AT NAPLES.

Washington, Dec. 1.—Representative Zebulon Weaver is pledged to the program of recognizing the soldier where vacancies occur in office, all things else equal. The Tenth District congressman is the first Tar Heel congressman to recommend a fighting soldier for postmaster.

Thomas C. Justice has been designated by the postoffice department as postmaster at Naples, Henderson county, succeeding Benjamin H. Evans.

Never waste even the smallest of your time.

HENDERSON COUNTY BOYS AT HANCOCK READY TO RETURN.

Dear Editor:

Will you allow space in your paper for a few lines from the "old 71st" which is composed mainly of Henderson county boys—and a happy go-lucky bunch we are.

There are only about seventy-five of us left at Camp Hancock. A part of our number were transferred to Camp Sherman, Ohio, to be attached to a division going directly overseas. Another detachment was taken about twelve miles out from camp to the machine gun range. But then the war came to an abrupt end. So both detachments were deprived of the pleasure of an overseas trip. The Fruitland boys, among those who were transferred, were Privates Arthur and Duffie Pittillo, Few who are left in our company now are the Cadre, or non-commissioned officers who were left for the purpose of training raw recruits. But, unfortunately we are deprived of that privilege now, as the last draft was cancelled.

So we are having a big time and anxiously awaiting our time for being mustered out, which we hope will soon come.

The seventh squad, which comprises three of the Fruitland boys stand very high with the other members of our company and will tell you who we are in the next letter.

Thanking the Hustler for space in the paper for our small item, we are,

The Seventh Squad,
71st Co., Gap 6, M. F. D.
Camp Hancock, Ga.

INSURANCE COMMISSIONER HERE

State Deputy Insurance Commissioner Frank Jordan was in the city this week making regular inspections. The commissioner was very well pleased until he inspected the alley leading out to Third Avenue past the Hustler's door. This is an alley into which merchants dump trash for the sake of convenience. It contains huge piles of materials of many varieties at times and then the wind comes along and shifts them out on Third Avenue and in front of the Hustler's door and also out on Fourth Avenue.

The commissioner branded such trashy business as a public disgrace which is complete vindication of quite enraged feelings from this shop at times.

TURKS MASSACRED MANY GREEKS

London, Sunday, Dec. 1.—(Via Montreal)—Reuter's limited has received from a Greek source figures showing that in the spring of 1917 the Turks deported 700,000 Greeks of whom 506,000 are now refugees in Greece. Since the war to the end of 1917 the Turks deported 2,140,000 Greeks and Armenians and 700,000 Greeks have been massacred and 200,000 mobilized Greeks have been put to death or have died of their sufferings.

A great number of women and children have been forcibly converted to Islamism. Others have been killed or have committed suicide. Greek property taken by the Turks is valued at three billion francs.

TELEPHONE EXCHANGE HARD HIT BY THE INFLUENZA.

The telephone exchange has doubtless suffered a greater handicap by reason of the influenza than any other institution with so large a force.

On Saturday and Monday conditions were very bad for the company. Five out of six experienced operators were out and this left one to fill about all functions of service, such as long distance connections, information, local calls, etc.

Two operators came over from Asheville Saturday and another on Monday to help relieve the situation.

Manager A. S. Truex requests this paper to request subscribers to be reasonable in view of the embarrassing situation and to reduce their calls to those regarded as most necessary in the hope of receiving a service as near up to the standard as possible. It is impossible for inexperienced help to render a service equal in satisfaction to that given under normal conditions and subscribers are asked to be considerate and use the telephone only when necessary.

COUNTY HOME MANAGEMENT.

Miss Sallie Johnson has given the county commissioners notice that she will not keep the county home longer than her present term, which ends in March. No selection has been made for the place.



E. E. WEST DIES OF INFLUENZA IN JACKSONVILLE.

The Hustler is in receipt of a telegram giving information of the death of E. E. West of Jacksonville, Fla., Tuesday morning.

Henry Twyford recently received a letter to the effect that Mr. West was very ill with influenza.

Mr. West is well known in Hendersonville, where he has spent several summers at his summer home. He spends the winters in Jacksonville, where he conducted a large lumber business.

NEW COUNTY OFFICERS TAKE OATH OF OFFICE.

The newly elected county officers took the oath of office Monday and have entered upon their duties. There is not much change in the personnel of the officers, the most of them being re-elected.

Clerk C. M. Pace, Sheriff Allard Case, Register of Deeds A. O. Jones and Commissioner S. J. Whitaker continued in office.

Tax Collector A. E. Hudgins and Commissioners John A. Maxwell and J. N. Russell are the new officers. The new commissioners previously filled their offices but had a rest of two years. Mr. Russell was elected chairman of the board.

The commissioners administered the oath of office to Clerk Pace and he in turn administered it to all other officers.

SOLDIERS RETURNING RAPIDLY; ORDER OF THEIR COMING.

Washington, Nov. 30.—Four divisions in their entirety and major units of eight other divisions of the American army in France have been designated by General Pershing for an early return home. These troops, with other special units, General March, chief of staff, announced today, total 3,451 officers and 79,633 men.

The complete divisions which return at an early date, General March said, are the 39th, 76th, 87th and 92nd. Important elements of the following divisions to return as soon as transportation facilities are available are the 31st, 34th, 35th, 40th, 84th, 85th, 86th and 88th.

New Casualty Figures.

New figures on the American army casualties, announced by the chief of staff, which exceeds that made public a week ago by 25,000 covers losses to Nov. 26. The principal change in the revised list is the addition of 13,100 men missing in action. General Pershing, it was said, has thus far forwarded no legislation of the increase under this heading and it was assumed that an error occurred in the transmission of the previous figures. General March explained that the revised figures on prisoners could not be deciphered in General Pershing's message.

The special units to embark soon consist largely of coast artillery brigades and separate regiments many battalions and batteries of anti-aircraft artillery and other organizations including aero squadrons.

Orders have been issued the chief of staff also said, for the demobilization of 649,000 men in the camps and cantonments in the United States. Approximately 46,000 officers and men in the home camps have already been discharged.

By the end of December General March indicated, probably 150,000 to 175,000 members of the expeditionary forces will have returned to this country. He said the war department hoped in time to provide transportation for 300,000 men a month.

HENDERSONVILLE-ASHEVILLE CONCRETE ROAD FINISHED.

Buncombe county celebrated the completion of the concrete road from Biltmore to a point near the Henderson county line last Saturday, when the last bucket of concrete was poured.

One of the celebrators said that 49 years ago he traveled the same road when it was a plank road, which was then recognized as a great feat in road building. The present road is said to be one of the finest concrete roads in the United States. It cost about \$20,000 a mile. When the unfinished link of about one and one-half miles is completed and brings the concrete up to the county line, the government will come to Buncombe's aid in the cost of building.

This splendid piece of highway is of great importance to Henderson and Buncombe counties, making the travel between the sections a pleasure. This is probably the most traveled road in Western Carolina.

INSTALLS HEATING PLANT.

Hazelhurst, the boarding house of Mrs. W. A. Russ, on Third Avenue and Washington street, has recently been