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STATE'S REPUTATION AT STAKE!

North Carolina's reputation is at stake. Her war record which is now 100 per cent perfect is to be saved or lost by the success or failure of the War Savings Campaign. Thus far the State has succeeded in its four Liberty Loans, in its Red Cross, Y. M. C. A. and United War Fund Campaigns, and if its record is to remain 100 per cent perfect, it must make a success of its War Savings Campaign by December 31.

The record made by the boys at the front has been a complete success. They have made a perfect score in efficiency, in courage, in patriotism and in whatever else was necessary to win the war and bring peace to the world. They have nobly responded to every call of their Government, to every demand for justice, to every cry of wronged and suffering humanity. Can the people at home afford to have their record of war activities besmirched with the failure of the War Savings Campaign—the greatest war effort of the year?

If the State's fine war record is to be saved, if the makers of history are to chronicle a perfect score as the citizens' response to every war call of the Government, then they must make the War Savings Campaign a success by December 31. If the State's enviable record of the past is to remain untarnished in the future and if its citizens are to continue to boast with pride of its accomplishments in war as well as in peace, the one remaining war effort of the year must be successfully finished. The State must raise its full War Savings quota by December 31. North Carolina has never failed, and will not fail this time.

W. MARSHALL BRIDGES TO MOVE TO FLORENCE, S. C.

W. Marshall Bridges, attorney and county food administrator, is to leave Hendersonville and practice law in Florence, S. C.

Effective January 1, Mr. Bridges and Phillip Arrowsmith of Lake City, S. C., will open law offices in Florence under the firm name of Arrowsmith and Bridges.

Although Mr. Bridges has enjoyed a flattering law practice during his four years of residence in Hendersonville, he sees bigger opportunities in Florence. Mr. Arrowsmith, who has been practicing law in Lake City,



WILLIAM MARSHALL BRIDGES

Florence County, near the town of Florence, will move to the latter place and he and Mr. Bridges will open a new office.

While Mr. Bridge's friends will appreciate his acceptance of what he definitely regards as much larger opportunities, they will regret his departure because he has from the beginning of his residence here thrown himself into professional, civic and religious harness and for several months he has been found patriotically busy in acceptably filling the office of county food administrator. He is a very progressive type of citizen and has won an enviable place in the esteem and affection of his friends. Mr. Bridges is a member of the legal advisory board in connection with the work of the local exemption board and holds the position of secretary to the local bar association. He has closely allied himself with the work of the Hendersonville Board of Trade.

Shortly after coming to Hendersonville Mr. Bridges married Miss Lella Mai McKenzie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. McKenzie, of near Florence, and he and Mrs. Bridges have a large circle of friends here who will deeply regret their decision to leave Hendersonville.

FASSIFERN GIRLS BUY BONDS.

(By Evelyn Byrd Graham)
Rev. A. W. Farnum held services Sunday a. m., at eleven o'clock and Dr. E. E. Bomar preached to the faculty and students Sunday evening at 7:30.

The school has raised the sum of \$100.00 which has been sent to the American Committee for the children in devastated France. The seniors had a sale of refreshments Tuesday afternoon for the benefit of two Liberty Loan Bonds. The sum cleared, completed the payment for two Bonds. Two other bonds have been bought by the students making a total of four. Each denomination in school is filling stockings or giving something to the poor children around Hendersonville for Christmas.

EXPECTED VICTORY IN 1919.

Washington, Dec. 5.—The army program of eighty divisions in France by June 30, 1919, was embarked upon with complete confidence that Germany could and would be defeated during 1919 if the project was carried out. General March, chief of staff, declares in his annual report to Secretary Baker, made public today. That conviction was based on a comprehensive study of the whole war situation ordered by General March immediately after he assumed his duties as the head of the army last March.

Member ex-officio of the federal reserve board and has a large part in its guiding policies. Mr. McAdoo has advocated the policy of allowing business a rather free hand in the conduct of their ordinary business with a minimum of restrictions by the federal reserve board. Mr. Glass, as one of the originators of the federal reserve system, has conceived generally in this

WILL YOU BE WEARING YOUR RED CROSS BUTTON WHEN THE BOYS COME HOME?

WHEN ALL YOU NEED TO JOIN THE RED CROSS IS "A HEART AND A DOLLAR" AND YOU CAN WEAR THE BUTTON ALONG WITH THE REST OF THE CROWD—OH-H-H-BOY! AIN'T IT A GR-R-R-RAND AND GLOR-R-RIOUS FEELIN'?



By courtesy of Clare Briggs, New York Tribune.

A BAR TO BOLSHIEVISM THE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL.

Raleigh, Dec. 10.—"The best antidote for Bolshevism is an educated Christianized citizenship," declared Governor T. W. Bickett last Sunday afternoon in a big mass meeting in Charlotte in the interest of the Million Dollar Campaign for the Baptist schools of the state.

Continuing, Governor Bickett said, "Ignorance is the mother of poverty, and the handmaiden of crime. Anarchy and atheism walk hand in hand. I want the men of means to let this statement soak in—close down either the churches or the schools, and your property will become to you a liability instead of an asset. In Russia today the naked fact that a man owns property makes him a mark for a firing squad."

Referring to the Million Dollar Campaign, the Governor said, "This million dollars will mean much to the State of North Carolina, and I do not know how I could at this time serve the State better than by urging the people to respond to this call in the same spirit of generosity and self-denial that has characterized their answer to every appeal made for the winning of the war."

"There is no room, nor reason," the Governor averred, "for enmity between the State and the church school. It would be the acme of unwisdom for the State to undertake the work of church schools. It would be the height of folly for the churches to assume the obligation to educate all the people. The two systems supplement each other and both are vital necessities to a well ordered, well balanced civilization. Training in the Bible, in reading, 'riting' and 'rithmetic, is well, but the fourth R of Righteousness must be added to make a war and firm foundation for a prosperous and happy State."

FULL PAY RECOMMENDED FOR COUNTY TEACHERS.

The following resolution was passed last week by the County Board of Education:

Moved and seconded that the County Board of Education recommend to the school committeemen of the local tax districts that they pay the salaries of their teachers in full for the time lost on account of the influenza epidemic, and that each teacher in the schools make up all the time possible by teaching on Saturday's and up until Tuesday evening before Christmas, and beginning again December 30th.

We recommend further that the county schools continue in session with further interruption, if possible, if the funds set aside for each school are exhausted, or until such time as the local committee deem wise to close.

CHARLOTTE'S FLU INCREASES.

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 6.—Following a conference today between the city officials and Dr. C. C. Hudson, city health officer, announcement was made that "we have determined influenza conditions here do not warrant the issue today of any quarantine order." The health department reported "about 200" new cases of influenza in the city for the twenty-four hour period ending at noon today. The city schools have been closed a week, which constitutes the only restriction in effect now.

The Mecklenburg county school board today ordered all schools closed until January 6, providing conditions on that date warrant resumption of school work.

SOLD WAR SAVINGS STAMPS.

Prof. G. W. Bradshaw has spent six days selling War Savings Stamps

NATURE OF RED CROSS WORK.

Washington, Dec. 4.—Future plans of the American Red Cross under which the great organization built up during the war will be devoted to peacetime relief work, not only in the United States but throughout the world were outlined in a statement issued tonight by Henry P. Davidson, chairman of the war council.

Mr. Davidson, who was speaking to the 3,864 chapters and 22,000,000 members of the mercy organization said it is confidently believed there need be no further campaigns for funds. Instead the annual Christmas roll call for members will constitute the foundation of the Red Cross.

FLETCHER HONOR ROLL.

Following is the honor roll of Fletcher Graded School for month ending Dec. 6th.
First grade: Eugene Fletcher, Ethel Garren, Claude Justice, Margaret Sales, Florence Southern, Daniel Wolfe.
Third grade: Jennie Wolfe, Charles Fletcher, G. L. Taylor.
Fourth grade: John, Claude Sales, Julian Sorrell, Tommie Seals.
Fifth grade: Jessie Wolfe, Stella

"JAM-UP HOTEL" EXPECTED ON THE ST. JOHN HOTEL LOT.

Prospects are bright for what E. W. Ewbank calls a "jam-up hotel" on the St. John hotel lot.

The insurance companies recently won their suit and they have tied up in the lot about \$30,000. In order to realize on this they may have to deal with the Hendersonville people—the result that a big hotel will be the eyesore of Hendersonville.

Before the insurance companies won the suit E. W. Ewbank suggested that if they did, in order to utilize the money in the lot, it would probably be well to loan money for the erection of a hotel. A representative of the insurance companies informs Mr. Ewbank that this plan will be given consideration if the town is interested. Mr. Ewbank got busy and as a result he found business and professional men ready to take stock in the undertaking and he says the outlook is bright.

The movement has not taken tangible shape but Mr. Ewbank says that if Hendersonville wants a "jam-up hotel" it can get it.

LIEUT. CECIL RYMER GETS FLATTERING COMPLIMENTS.

Friends of Lieut. Cecil Rymer, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Rymer, residents on Shaw's Creek road, who after taking a law course at Chapel Hill went to the officer's training school at Ft. Oglethorpe from which he received the commission of Lieutenant, will be pleased to learn of the high esteem in which he is held by the soldiers under him, as indicated by the following clipping from an Alabama paper:

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 2.—Mrs. W. R. Phillips, of this city, has received letters from her 17-year-old son, Private Robert E. White, Signal Platoon Headquarters Company, 51st U. S. Infantry, A. P. O. No. 777, France, in which he pays tribute to Lieutenant W. C. Rymer of his company, a citizen of Montgomery.

The statement follows:
"Lieut. Rymer is a fine fellow and there is not a man in the whole company that would not do anything in the world for him. I would give my life for him if it would aid him any. He brought me something to eat when I was sick, he came to see me regularly, and when I was broke he loaned me some money. He is a friend to every one and if all the fellows had their way he would be more than a lieutenant. He is one man that I would be willing to follow anywhere. He seems more like a father to me than an officer. He is the kind of a man that all the men love and will stick to until death. I know I will anyway and I assure all the other fellows will, too."

Second Letter.

"I guess I have told you a dozen times how we all like Lieut. Rymer, but I just can't help but write you about him in my letter. I like him better every day and so do the other fellows. He is not in my platoon and I do not get to see him so much while we are up front, but every time I see him he speaks to me and asks me about my leg. He seems more like a father to me than an officer. If you ever meet his wife you can tell her what a fine husband she has. I hope that I shall have a chance to do something for him some day as he has helped me out a whole lot. I may get a chance yet, as we have a lot of battles and a lot of tough things to go through yet."

THE GERMANS ARE SULLEN.

With the American Army of Occupation, Monday, Dec. 2.—(By the Associated Press).—Studied indifference again characterized the German reception of American troops on their way to the Rhine today. General Dichter's army renewed its advance at daylight and by tonight had reached the line approximately 12 miles to the eastward. Scores of additional villages and small towns were brought under the domination of the American army, but none of them are of great importance.

At American headquarter at Treves, General Brown, as military governor and General Smith, who is in charge of civil affairs, has taken over administration.

In virtually every instance the German officials agreed to remain in operation in maintenance. General Pershing's clamorous call for their return to their normal duties is being assured them that they will probably will continue.