

## LISTERS AND APPRAISERS

The county commissioners have appointed W. T. Clark and A. F. P. King as members of the county board of appraisal and review. The State Tax Commission appoints a county supervisor who will be chairman of this board and will be empowered to employ a clerk. The board is charged with the duty of making an entirely new taxable valuation of all the real estate in the county, valuing the same at 100 cents on the dollar of its actual value.

The valuation thus determined will become effective for 1920 taxes. The assessment of real estate for 1919 taxes will be the same as for 1918, except in cases where improvements have been made or where losses have occurred (such as by fire, etc.)

Tax listers for 1919 for the various townships of the county have been appointed as follows:

- Blue Ridge, B. A. Merrell.
- Clear Creek, J. N. B. Lanning.
- Crab Creek, J. V. Blythe.
- Edneyville, D. P. Moss.
- Green River, John T. Staton.
- Hoopers Creek, H. E. Lance.
- Hendersonville, J. D. Davis, J. C. Drake.
- Mills River, J. H. Kitchen.

## MORE POWER BY END OF YEAR

Electric current will be transmitted over the lines of the Blue Ridge Power company before the end of the present year. The current, however, will not be manufactured at the company's power house on Green River, but will come from steam plants in Spartanburg. While work on the company's big dam, which is located just below the bridge of the Southern Railway Company across the river about one mile south of old Zirconia, and the flume that will convey the water from the dam to the power house at Potts shoals, is being pushed as rapidly as possible under the conditions existing at this time, the plant will not be sufficiently finished and equipped to enable the company to produce electric current by the operation of same before sometime next year.

Last Sunday's Atlanta Journal carried the following account of the big development, under an Asheville date line:

In the very heart of the Blue Ridge, in the gorge-like rocky path of foaming, dashing Green River, one mile from Tuxedo station in Henderson county; eight miles from Hendersonville and 28 miles from Asheville, just off the main highway, are the operations of what will result in the million-dollar power development of the Blue Ridge Power Company, of Spartanburg—a development that will give Hendersonville competitive electrical power, a condition that has long been dreamed of as one that would eventually mean the bringing of greater industrial growth to this section.

Because of the fact that the huge development is well back in the fastness of the mountains, making it somewhat inaccessible, Hendersonville people are not intimately acquainted with the progress that has been made since it was undertaken nearly two years ago.

A transmission line has been surveyed into Hendersonville by Engineer Wohlford and the transmission line to Spartanburg, the principal consuming point, is practically 90 per cent completed. It is understood that the small towns en route will enjoy the power and lighting facilities of the Blue Ridge Power Company.

The dam when completed will be 161 feet high, 31 feet thick at the bottom and three and one-half feet thick at the top. Just at this point is a narrow gorge in the river with mountains of rocks on either side.

The dam is 275 feet long, constructed with a curve so as to give additional strength by arch action. It will back the water three miles up stream. Just above the dam is a stretch of the Southern Railway Company. Its present level will be four feet below the water level of the lake when the dam is completed. This necessitated a mile of grading in order to raise the road 18 feet and reach a proper grade.

The company has suitable sites for other dams above the present one, which could be erected to form storage tanks. It is understood that the company anticipates a still larger development about four miles down the river, which would back the water to

## ROAD TRUSTEES ORGANIZED

Capt. J. O. Bell, C. N. Allison and J. A. Maxwell, the newly appointed road trustees, met Monday and organized by electing C. N. Allison, chairman, and Capt. Bell, secretary. The other member of the board is John Albert Maxwell, one of the county commissioners. The law passed by the recent session of the General Assembly provides that the trustees shall be chosen by the board of county commissioners, one of whom shall be a county commissioner. The law specifies that the other two members of the board of trustees shall be men who have proven themselves to be in favor of good roads and who believe in the development of Henderson county generally.

At the meeting of the trustees Monday, B. B. Souther was appointed county road supervisor and his salary fixed at \$125.00 per month. The trustees also decided that they would furnish the supervisor an automobile for use only in his official capacity. The trustees thought the expense of such a car would be much more than offset by the saving in time, and would enable the supervisor to do more work than he could possibly get done without a machine.

Mr. Souther has been superintendent of the chain gang, under P. F. Patton, for quite a number of years, and you might say, is the finished product of Mr. Patton in so far as the making and repair of roads is concerned. The long experience he has had in building and repairing roads will be of very great advantage to him in performing the duties of the position to which he has been elected. The term of Mr. Patton, as county road supervisor, will not expire until May 1, and the new management will not begin active work until after that date.

## FAMINE IN ARMENIA

The American relief commission in Tiflis has sent a cable dispatch to Paris stating that there was no bread in Armenia and that thousands of people in Armenian towns were in dire straits because of the food shortage. In one district, the report said, there was not a living animal left, everything having been eaten. Refugees have been seen stripping the flesh from dead horses in order to secure food. Many Armenians have died because of the famine that has extended to many parts of that war-stricken land.

The mission has appealed for a larger staff in order to give more efficient service in the relief work. The report said that there were large supplies of food at Baku and Batumi, but it was impossible to secure them because of transportation facilities. The mountains have been covered with snow and it has been impossible to transport the food to the Armenian towns.

## NOTICE MEMBERS WOODMEN CIRCLE

Circle will hold public meeting at W. O. W. hall, Friday night 8:30, in honor of their distinguished guest, Miss Annie H. Watts of Mississippi, supreme chaplain of the supreme circle. Everybody invited.

The gratifying thing about the arrest of Bolsheviks in this country is that all of them prove they were born across the pond.

to the present power house site.

This company does not propose to stop with the power development. Its plans call for residential section around the 350 acres of impounded water. This probably will soon be plotted, landscaped and laid out with drives. A survey calls for a splendid road passing through the residential property around the lake and connecting the Spartanburg and Greenville highways. This will give a beautiful 350-acre lake, 2,000 feet above sea level and easily accessible either from Greenville or Spartanburg highways.

The officers of the Blue Ridge Power Company are W. A. Montgomery, president, Spartanburg; John A. Law, treasurer, of Spartanburg; Mess & Mess, of Charlotte, are the consulting engineers, and Mr. Wohlford, of Charlotte, is the resident engineer, who has been on the ground since July 1917. "Jack" Ward is construction superintendent; O. A. Mayes, resident manager, and F. F. Harrison, resident electrical engineer.

## DETAILS OF THE VICTORY LOAN

The following details in regard to the Victory Liberty Loan are of interest:

Bonds dated, May 20, 1919.

Payments: Ten per cent with application on or before May 10; 10 per cent July 15; 20 per cent August 12; 20 per cent September 9; 20 per cent October 7; 20 per cent November 11; with accrued interests on deferred instalments.

Payment in full can be made on May 20, the 10 per cent required with application having been duly paid on or before May 10.

Payment in full will also be allowed with application but without rebate of interest, but there may be a limitation as to the maximum amount of notes upon which such full payment will be accepted.

Payment can also be completed on any instalment date with accrued interest, but no completion of payment can be made except on instalment dates.

First coupon on the notes will be payable at a sufficient time after the last instalment date to allow for completing delivery of notes.

Denominations of notes as heretofore.

## SEE TWO-YEAR SEEION

Congressional leaders are now laying all plans on the theory that Congress will be in continuous session from around the middle of next May until March 4, 1921, or over a stretch of nearly two years.

A prolonged extra session is foreseen, one that probably will run into the regular session next December. Then will come a long regular session running right up into the 1920 presidential campaign, if not through it.

Many Problems to be Considered The league of nations controversy, the peace treaty, many great international problems, and domestic questions of unprecedented magnitude are looming up for the consideration of the new Congress.

Already the house appropriations committee, the leaders on the interstate commerce committees, and other factors of importance in the new Congress are giving attention to the tasks ahead.

## Questions of Organization

With the approach of the extra session, acute problems in connection with the organization of the House and of the Senate are beginning to become still more pointed.

Not only is there the trouble over the composition of the Republican steering committee in the House, and the controversy over whether Champ Clark shall be minority leader, but there are difficulties over the organization of the Senate.

Progressive Republicans are demanding recognition in the organization, and unless they get it will kick over the traces. Already they have wrung from the conservatives the Norris resolution liberalizing the rules as to make-up of committees.

## "FLU" JUMPS INSURANCE RATES

More than 1,000,000 of the Modern Woodmen of America, the largest fraternal insurance organization in the country, must stand a rate increase to meet the abnormal death losses resulting from the influenza epidemic which caused a reduction in the beneficiary fund of the order from \$12,000,000 to \$70,000.

On the present membership the increase is a flat advance of 50 per cent and all new members joining hereafter will have to pay materially increased rates.

## A SUGGESTION

To the Editor of The Times:

Of course our county will have sons from service, and time and place to celebrate their home coming should be selected soon, and a program adopted. First a service to give thanks for the return of those back home, and a memorial service of those who failed to return, because they sleep in graves overseas.

## SUBSCRIBER

## SEEKS PAY FOR JAIL TERM

A new phase in Bolshevism was discovered in Philadelphia when John McGinnis demanded wages for the time he spent in jail on a charge of vagrancy.

As a Bolshevik, McGinnis loudly claimed "my rights" and our constitution guarantees that all citizens are equal before the law. The defendant

## SATURDAY IS BANK HOLIDAY

Saturday of this week will be a legal holiday of some sort and the banks of the city will be closed on that day. Those persons who have a payroll to take care of, or who for any reason are likely to need a considerable amount of coin of the realm on that day, will do well to make the necessary arrangements Friday. Take due notice and govern yourselves accordingly.

## WILSON, SOCIALIST

(From letter of former Senator Joseph W. Bailey, ex-Democrat, to Leon O. Bailey, Democrat.)

I am fully persuaded that within the next two years the Democratic party must either repudiate President Wilson or it must embrace practically all of the Socialist doctrines. He has already led our party—or rather I should say he has already driven our party—into a reluctant support of many socialistic measures, and before his term expires he will have committed us, unless his power in that regard is challenged, irrevocably to socialism, under the name of "progressive democracy."

What then can you, and men like you, say to yourselves and to your friends?

Will you say that you allowed Mr. Wilson to deceive you? You can hardly excuse yourself on that plea, because every Democrat in the United States with intelligence enough to know why he is a Democrat now knows that Mr. Wilson is a Socialist—or at least he is not a Democrat if Thomas Jefferson and Andrew Jackson were Democrats.

The Socialists understand the attitude of the President if Democrats do not, and 40 per cent of the men who voted for Eugene Debs in 1912 voted for Mr. Wilson in 1916.

I say this because the Socialists polled almost 1,000,000 votes for Debs in 1912, while they polled less than 600,000 votes for their presidential candidate in 1916. Where did those 400,000 Socialist votes go?

Nobody supposes that they remained at home, nor does anybody suppose that any of them were cast for Judge Hughes, they must, therefore, have been cast for President Wilson.

A Socialist preacher and teacher recently wrote a book entitled "Woodrow Wilson and the World's Peace," in which he describes the President as "revolutionary beyond anything his words reveal, beyond anything his contemporaries have discerned," and further declares that, "as compared with Woodrow Wilson there are Socialist spokesmen who are bourbon in their understanding and their sympathy."

The man who wrote that description of the President has, since the publication of the book in which it appears, been appointed by the President to represent the United States at a most important conference.

I may not accomplish much by a public and emphatic protest against the present trend of Democratic legislation and administration, but it is certain that I could accomplish nothing by remaining silent, and when the disaster comes—as come it must if we persist in our present course—I shall have the unspeakable satisfaction of knowing that I have done what I could to avert it.

## SOLDIER IS DEFENDANT

Edward J. Hants, of Chicago, recently a soldier in the United States army, has been made defendant in an unusual breach of promise suit in which Miss Marian Gleason, of Syracuse, N. Y., is seeking \$22,000 damages.

According to the statement of the case, the acquaintance between the two was made in 1917 when Miss Lucile Meadows, of Chicago, sent a letter to Miss Gleason in which she stated that Hants was going to be drafted and he wanted to correspond with some nice girl while in the army. Miss Gleason replied and soon Hants was addressing her as "Baby Sweetheart" and telling her that he kissed her photograph every night and morning.

While at Camp Gordon, Ga., Hants met and married Miss Rena Maynard, hence the lawsuit.

A lot of people who couldn't be spared from business so that they could join the army, will soon be going over to Europe to inspect the ruins.

## NEWS NOTES OF INTEREST

The United States is nearly 1,000,000 homes behind its need, according to William A. Bradford, editor of the American Builder. He said the shortage will be overcome during 1919.

## U. S. AIR CASUALTIES 554; 171 MEN KILLED IN COMBAT

Casualties in the United States air service personnel, serving with the American and allied armies at the front, numbered 554. Of this total 171 men were killed in combat.

A table has been made public by the War Department giving the following official casualty report for the air service at the front:

Killed in combat, 171; prisoners, 135; wounded, 129; missing, 73; killed in accidents, 42; other causes, 4.

## WILL SELL ARMY TRUCKS

The War Department has announced that the different branches of the government will be consulted to see whether the surplus of army motor cars can be used to fill their requirements. Various manufacturers also will be approached with a view of having them take over the machines of their own make.

The surplus remaining after these methods have been followed out will be disposed of to the public.

## SLAYER DIED WEALTHY

After 28 years, the disappearance of Henry E. Webb from the penitentiary at Jeffersonville, Ind., has been explained. His sisters at Poseyville, Ind., have identified the body of a recluse as their brother who was sentenced 32 years ago for the murder of a station agent. A bullet wound led to his identification.

Webb was sent into Jeffersonville with other convicts to do some carpenter work. He remarked he had forgotten his tools, went back to the prison, changed his garb and walked away.

Afterward he went by the name of George Granger and amassed a considerable fortune. He was a postmaster of Mokena, Ill., for six years and also treasurer of the school district.

## SUPPOSED PAUPER HAD \$25,000 ESTATE

When Patrick Gleason, 73 years old, died suddenly of heart disease at his home in Denver, Col., it was supposed he was penniless. A few days later it was discovered he was possessed of an estate worth \$25,000. Mrs. Hattie I. Thompson, an adopted daughter, who nursed him when he was sick, was made his sole heir.

## U. S. WILL TRAIN FLYERS

Gen. Charles T. Menoher, director of the air service in the United States army, has been authorized to re-enlist or recruit men up to 15,000, as part of the new and permanent organization of that branch of military service.

The aviation director said the time will come within a year or two when there will be a great demand for skilled mechanics and other aeroplane experts who have had experience. General Menoher declared it is impossible for men now in the air service to get their discharge with the \$60 bonus and re-enlist for a year with the privilege of a month's furlough.

## PARSON HAD CARD PARTY

The Rev. Charles H. Small, pastor of the First Congregational church in Sandusky, O., who has been criticized by other clergymen for saying the church must provide the social entertainment the saloon now provides, asserted he had the right idea.

The first of a series of parties, features of which were cards and dancing, was conducted by the Rev. Small. The event was held in the church basement and was largely attended.

## "TO HELL WITH REST; GIVE US A BARRAGE!" SAID YANKS

The day the 27th (New York) division cracked the Hindenburg line it received orders to rest from the British general commanding the sector, but instead sent back word, "To hell with the rest—give us a barrage," declared the Rev. Francis Kelly, of Albany, "fighting chaplain of the 27th" in an address in New York city.

The division finally rested, he said, when, after an entire day spent "mopping up" German machine gun nests, it received from a British aeroplane, circling overhead, a note which read: "The Germans have evacuated and the Hindenburg line is yours."

## KEDRON LODGE FRIDAY NIGHT

The regular Communication of Kedron Lodge, No. 387 A. F. & A. M., will be held Friday night, April 11, at 8:30 o'clock.

P. S. RAMSEY, Master.

## W. O. W.

A telegram, addressed to Head Consul V. E. Grant, was received here Thursday from Mrs. Lola B. Andrews and Mrs. Virginia Justus, saying that they would arrive here on No. 10 Friday with Miss Annie H. Watts of Mississippi, supreme chaplain of the Woodman Circle. The local circle feels that it is fortunate to have the privilege of a visit from this distinguished guest. As announced elsewhere in our columns, a public meeting will be held Friday night in the W. O. W. hall.

## CHEAP EXCURSION RATES TO ENCOURAGE TRAVEL

Big slashes in passenger rates to encourage summer travel to Hendersonville and other of the nation's breathing spots have been provided for, it is said, by the railroad administration. These reduced rates are scheduled to go into effect June 1. Reductions it is stated, are expected to reach as much as 133 per cent of the war rate increase, or a virtual return to summer excursion privileges of pre-war days.

Railroads have been asked to spend one million dollars in advertising the new rates. A nation-wide newspaper and magazine campaign will commence April 15, it is said.

Every effort will be put forth to encourage the people to travel, it is explained by administration officials. The reduced rates will be in effect until September 30, according to present plans.

There will be two classes of fares. One will be those on tickets limited to three months and the other tickets limited to fifteen days.

## ATHLETICS AT FRUITLAND INST.

The students and teachers believe in athletics. In our opinion nothing is finer for the development of body and mind, for fostering the right sort of school spirit, for training in the art of co-operation or team-work, for drill in the principles of honesty and fairness.

We have basketball, baseball, tennis, and track with its various performances. In order to participate in any contest of any of these a person must be a bona fide pupil, that is, one doing full and regular work at the time; also he must be in good standing and making passing grades on his class work.

There are three reasons for this. First, it is fair to the pupils themselves. If others than regular students were permitted on the teams, just so many pupils of the school would be crowded off the teams. In the second place, it is fair to other institutions and to the public. Every one knows who plays on a Fruitland team, and if we win or lose the school gets the credit or otherwise. Lastly, only such practice is in accord with what is known as clean athletics in school and college games.

Our next baseball game is with Mars Hill College on the Fruitland grounds, Thursday afternoon, April 10.

## N. A. MELTON, Principal.

## EASTER MILLINERY OPENING

On Saturday, April 12, the ladies of the Woman's Club of Hendersonville will have a great display of remodeled hats to be sold below cost. This includes all kinds of hats for men, women and children. The customer purchasing the largest amount will be given a hat free. Patterson's old stand.

## HOME-OWNING CAMPAIGN

"Own-your-home" campaigns have been launched in 18 cities, according to an announcement made by the bureau of public works of the department of labor. The cities are Billings, Mont.; Charleston, W. Va.; Chicago, Cleveland, Denver, Jacksonville, Fla.; Johnstown, Pa.; Lynchburg, Va.; Middletown, Conn.; Milwaukee, Philadelphia, Portland, Ore.; Salt Lake City, Seattle, Spokane, Staunton, Va.; St. Paul and Toledo.