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## ARMISTICE DAY IN FOREST CITY

Seven Thousand Visitors Take Part in Honoring Soldiers—Program Enjoyed By All.

"Cease firing."

Four years ago, Saturday, on a memorable Monday morning, the welcome command came down the line, following days and weeks and months of ceaseless, death dealing strife back and fourth over "No Man's Land." The World War had ended. Civilization was saved by the heroism of the American soldier, who had really ended it all.

In commemoration of this great event, Willis Towery Post, No. 74, American Legion, assisted by the posts at Rutherfordton and Cliffside, put on an Armistice Day celebration in Forest City last Saturday which was a complete success, and proved that when the soldier boys set their wills to a task it "goes over the top."

The weather man was good and blessed the occasion with one of those beautiful fall days for which Western North Carolina is famous throughout the nation.

Conservative estimates place the crowd at 7,000. They came from all parts of the county and from the surrounding counties. All were given a royal welcome and made to feel at home. Especially gratifying was the large attendance of ex-soldiers. They came in large numbers, and right royally were they entertained. The good ladies of the Betterment Club saw to it that they were well fed, and the program provided by Willis Towery Post was arranged and carried out to perfection. Not an incident occurred to mar the perfection of the day. Not for one moment were the soldiers allowed to forget that they were the honored guests of the occasion.

One of the most beautiful and inspiring sights of the day was the flag raising ceremony and unveiling of the tablet in the park. Next to this came the march of ex-soldiers and school children, headed by the splendid Haynes Band. The line was formed at the old school building and was an inspiring sight. The heroes were given an ovation and made to feel that their sacrifices had not been made in vain.

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The program was promptly opened at 10 o'clock with music by the Haynes Band. Then came the invocation by Rev. Parker Holmes, address of welcome by Mr. I. B. Covington and response by Mr. R. E. Price. "America" was then sung by the school children, after which the athletic events were started.

First on the program was a foot race, which was won by Robert Blanton. Boyce Wilkie was leading until within a few feet of the line, when he fell and lost his chance of winning.

The three-legged race was hotly contested and very interesting. The winners in this event were Sam Hardin and Wm. Funderburk.

Next followed the bicycle race, which was won by Forest Royster.

The tug of war had twelve entries on each side—the upper vs. the lower end of the county. The event was a walk-over for the lower end boys, composed mostly of ex-soldiers. Their training must have had something to do with their victory, for they won with ease. One of the valiant entries from the upper end was Editor Price, who put up a game fight against odds.

Two hotly contested wrestling matches were put on. In the preliminary, Robert Hamrick and Paul Jones, two evenly matched lads, were pitted in an exciting contest. Hamrick won the first but was bested by young Jones in the two last falls.

J. L. Upton, of Caroleen, and Hoyle Elliott, were the next to enter the ring. Upton won in two straight falls. Following this match came an exciting contest in which Attorney C. O. Ridings defeated A. C. Smith in two straight falls.

Lots of fun was created when the greased pig was turned loose. The boys had an exciting time and the spectators enjoyed the fun. The pig, slippery as an eel,

## HAGGARD MEETING COMES TO CLOSE

Largest Crowd Ever Gathered in County to Similar Meeting Present Sunday Night—300 Converts.

The Haggard tent meeting came to a close Sunday night in the presence of what was said to be the largest gathering ever to attend a revival in this county.

This last service was in the nature of a tribute to the noted evangelist, in that every minister and many laymen present mounted the platform to pay tribute to Mr. Haggard and his crew.

Mr. Haggard, who had been quite ill, summoned courage to make a splendid talk, and was almost overcome at the many expressions of love from the speakers and the audience.

The five weeks' meeting resulted in 300 conversions, it is said, and was attended by people from far and wide, some coming a distance of 50 miles to hear the noted evangelist. Twelve converts were baptized at the Baptist church last Sunday morning by Rev. Haggard.

Rev. Haggard and Mr. Sumner, the singer, went from here to Loudon, Tenn., where Mr. Haggard will conduct a two weeks' meeting. A telegram received from him Tuesday stated that he was recovering from his illness in fine fashion, and expected to do a great work at Loudon.

Mr. and Mrs. Barnes and Mr. Camp went from here to Columbus, Ga., where they will get the tent in readiness for a big meeting in that city following Mr. Haggard's revival at Loudon.

was finally caught and held by Ernest Lancaster.

The hardest contest of the day was the greasy pole climbing. Boy after boy tried and failed before the task was finally accomplished by Jack Huntley.

In the baby show at Moss' furniture store there were a number of entries and the decision of the judges was a hard one to make. The young daughter of Mr. Otis Holland was returned the winner.

Will Ellis, colored, got the tire to fit the oldest Buick with a 1919 model, this prize being awarded by the Forest City Motor Co.

The prize by Jones Grocery Co. to the largest number of persons coming to town on truck or wagon went to the Rock Corner school. An even 52 came in from there, the nearest competitor being in the Green Hill school, with 48 aboard.

The prize for the tallest lady given by Padgett & King went to a Miss Robertson, of the West End.

Mrs. P. D. Harriil, Jr., was awarded the prize as the most beautiful woman to enter Horn's store.

The athletic events of the day were concluded with two basketball games, both of which were won by Forest City teams. At the school court the high school team won from Old Fort by a score of 29-22. At the court on the square the Forest City team won a hotly contested game from Henrietta by the score of 40-30.

The Fred Williams Post, No. 75 of Rutherfordton, held a banquet with 75 present at the Central Hotel Saturday night. The people of the town gave it in honor of the soldiers. J. W. Pless, Jr., of Marion, spoke on the Legion.

The Courier can not close the account of the big event without mentioning the ladies of the Betterment Club, and in fact the people at large, who donated food so generously that there was plenty and to spare. Every soldier, the band boys and others were well taken care of and there was quite a lot to be sold.

The business men and the City Council stood behind the movement in great fashion and helped greatly to make the event the success it proved to be. And, of course, to Willis Towery Post goes the lion's share of the glory for the complete success of the Armistice Day celebration.

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On behalf of the members of Willis Towery Post, American Legion, I wish to extend their thanks and appreciation for the co-operation and assistance given the post during the celebration on the 11th; also to the town for their gift and assistance, to the Rutherfordton and Cliffside posts, to the Farmers Bank, the Florence Mills, for their gift; to the ones who raised the flag pole, to Mr. Barker for his work on the memorial, to Mr. J. F. Alexander, the ladies of the town for the big feed, and many others too numerous to mention.

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## Mrs. Hall Poses



This is the first posed picture of Mrs. Frances Hall, wife of the New Brunswick, N. J., rector, who was found murdered with his pretty choir singer, Eleanor Mills.

## General Pershing Goes And Gets 'em



Gen. John J. Pershing would have been quite a boy in the front line trenches with a rifle—had he not been busy bossing our A. E. F. in France. Last week on the lower Mississippi he went duck hunting with Gov. Parker and Bernard Baruch, using a 10-gauge gun, dropping his first eight birds without a miss. Then he posed for this exclusive photo.

### MT. PLEASANT NEWS

There will be a box supper at Mt. Pleasant schoolhouse on Saturday night, Nov. 18th. Everybody is cordially invited to attend. Girls, bring boxes, boys a pocket full of money. The proceeds will go for the benefit of the school and the jitney service.

Little Miss Dee Toms is confined to her bed on account of cold and cough.

Mr. Alton Nanney, of Cliffside, visited Mr. Clyde Randall Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Holland went to Atlanta, Ga., last week to visit their son, Roy.

Misses Bertha Hill and Jennie Dodge spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Matheny.

Most everybody from this section attended the Armistice Day celebration in Forest City.

### MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

The annual meeting of the stockholders of Florence Mills was held at the office of the company here last Friday. Those from out of town attending were Messrs. A. J. Cummock, president, New York; Morris Hadley, New York, and S. S. Widger, of Boston.

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### RUTHERFORD COUNTY DEMOCRATIC BY 1,356

Largest Majority in History—Good Work of Gudger Edwards—Oppose Amendment.

Rutherfordton, Nov. 15.—Rutherford County went Democratic this year by 1,356 majority the largest in the history of the county. This increased majority is due partly to the untiring efforts of Chairman Gudger W. Edwards. He left nothing undone that would tend towards Democratic victory.

Rutherford County is strongly opposed to increasing the pay of Legislators, according to the vote Thursday. There were 1,101 votes cast for the proposed amendment and 4,842 against it. The only box that carried a majority for the amendment was the precinct of Representative-elect, J. E. McFarland, of Forest City.

The people of Rutherfordton will meet in a mass meeting at the local school building Thursday night to hear an entertainment by the school children and discuss plans to improve the school.

Dave Butler died suddenly in Delta, Col., recently. He left this county 33 years ago and has made good in the West. He was well known here.

Mr. J. S. Lancaster, of Newton, is the new manager of the Central Hotel here. The hotel will undergo many improvements and will be greatly enlarged at an early date. Mr. Lancaster is manager of both the hotels at Newton, Virginia Ship and St. Hubert. He will move here about January 1.

The building boom continues here. Some six or seven new residences are going up here now and more are under consideration. Work on the new Iso-Thermal Hotel, New Nurses' Home, Dr. Crawford residence, First Baptist Church, Edwards and Taylor, garage, and the Geer and Keeter Department Store building are going forward rapidly. It is expected that the hotel and church will be ready for occupancy by January 1, or soon after.

Several new business buildings are under consideration. Carpenters are scarce and in big demand on account of so much building.

### INSTALLING THE RADIO

Mr. Harold Long reports that many radio outfits have been sold following the installation of the service in the Long Drug Store. A demonstrator from the Westinghouse Co. is here this week. The concerts at the drug store are proving popular and attracting much interest.

The Forest City Courier and The Atlanta Constitution both for only \$2.00 a year. Send all orders to The Courier.

## BIG FLOWER SHOW TO BE HELD FRIDAY

Given by Members and Friends of Parent-Teachers' Association With Handsome Prizes To Be Awarded in Contests.

Forest City is to have a big flower show, given under the auspices of the Parent-Teachers' Association, Friday, Nov. 17, afternoon and night. The show will be given in the new James building, next to Doggett's garage on E. Main street. Some handsome prizes have been offered and a large list of entries in the contest will most likely be made. Let the good people who have flowers enter in the contest, and show to the visitors what we have.

The ladies will have for sale oysters, chicken salad, sandwiches, cream, cake, coffee, hot chocolate, etc. Call in and see the flower show and take supper with the ladies.

### Rules for Exhibition.

Please have flowers in show room Thursday afternoon or Friday morning not later than 10 o'clock. Flowers may be displayed in boxes, pots or cut. Please write your name on box, pot or card and pin to flowers or plants. You will get all your flowers and plants back unless you want to donate blossoms to be sold to help the fund. Best specimen means three or more blossoms.

### THE PREMIUM LIST

#### Chrysanthemums.

White, best specimen—Guest towel by Mr. Hemphill.

Cream, best specimen—Salad bowl by Mrs. A. C. Jones, milliner.

Pink, best specimen—Turkish bath towel by Horn's store.

Yellow, best specimen—Box of Jontel face powder by Reinhardt Drug Co.

Red, best specimen—Aluminum sauce pan by Moss' Furniture Co.

Lavender, best specimen—Box of face powder by Long's Drug store.

Bronze, best specimen—Cut glass toothpick holder by Mr. Bradley's jewelry store.

Dahlia, any variety—Can mince meat by Quality Grocery Store.

Roses, best bunch—Powder puff by Mrs. E. E. McCurry, milliner.

#### Ferns

Best Ostrich plume—\$2 cash by B. B. Doggett, Ford garage.

Best Boston—\$2 by Forest City Motor Co.

Best Asparagus—Ladies hose by Dalton Bros.

Best Spungere—Bath tub rug by Padgett & King Furniture Co.

Best Sward—Ice water pitcher by Farmers Hardware Co.

Best Begonia, any kind—Syrup pitcher by Flack Hardware Co.

Best Geranium, any kind—Box Jontel Talc Powder by Reinhardt Drug Co.

Best Sultana—Box stationery by Peoples Drug Store.

Best Vase collection of flowers—Set of dishes by Jones Grocery Co.

## New Farm Loans or Bankruptcy



H. W. Moorehouse, of the American Farm Bureau Federation, says a new credit arrangement must be adopted immediately if we are to prevent wholesale bankruptcy of mid-western farmers on March 1.

## MRS. F. I. BARBER WINS MOVIE CONTEST

Prizes Also Awarded Eugene Whisnant, Wallace McDaniel and Elsie Greene.

In the movie contest for the best written article on "Why I Attend the Movie," Mrs. F. I. Barber won first prize, on a splendid article which follows. Three other articles by Eugene Whisnant, Wallace McDaniel and Elsie Greene were so meritorious the judges decided to allow each writer a prize. The articles will be published later.

The contest proved interesting and brought out many expressions from writers on why they attend the Movie.

Mrs. Barber's winning article follows:

"Why I Go to The Movies"

First—I go because it is practically the only amusement we have in Forest City.

Second—I go because I find splendid recreation after a tiresome day at home.

Third—And best reason: I realize that the movies are here to stay and will be just what the best people of our town make them. We have a clean man in charge of our movies and who makes a special effort to put on clean pictures. If he accidentally gets a poor picture he regrets it as much as you, and perhaps more. I have seen some educational reels on subjects that I would never know anything about if it had not been for the movies.

We usually get just what we go after wherever we go. Some people go to church and can tell you what kind of a hat and dress and even gloves and the shoes certain people had on and in many cases could not tell you anything they heard. I know some who can be the happy medium and tell some of both, but they are few.

The traveling public says Forest City has the cleanest pictures of any town they visit. So, friends, it's up to us. Tell the movie man when you like or dislike the picture; he will appreciate it.

MRS. F. I. BARBER.

### ELLENBORO NEWS

Misses Annie Sue Lancaster and Louise Elliott spent the week-end in Forest City.

Mr. Robert Rollins, who is working in Spindale, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Rollins.

Miss Ruth McKinney, who is in school at Boiling Springs, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin McKinney.

Rev. D. J. Hunt filled his regular appointment at the Bethel Baptist church here Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. C. L. Harriil spent Tuesday afternoon in Caroleen shopping.

Mrs. M. A. Whisnant, of Asheville, spent Tuesday and Wednesday with her sister, Mrs. C. L. Harriil.

The many friends of Mr. D. B. Harriil are glad to know that he is still gaining strength, although slowly.

Mr. L. T. Rollins and family moved to Spindale, N. C., Tuesday.

Messrs. Troy Bridges, Hoyt Sparks and Russel Long spent Sunday and Monday in Asheville.

### PARENT-TEACHERS' MEETING

The Parent-Teachers' Association met at the school building Monday afternoon. The program consisted chiefly of reports. Capt. Smith made a report of plans drawn up by Mr. J. J. Blair, State Director of School Ground Improvement, for beautifying the grounds around the new building. Then Mrs. F. I. Barber, who was a delegate to the state federation meeting in Asheville last week, gave a report of the program held there.

Plans were made for a flower show Friday afternoon and evening. An admission fee of ten cents will be charged, the money to be used on the new piano. Prizes will be offered for the best exhibit of flowers and plants.

Three new members were received into the association as follows, Mesdames J. H. Mayse, George Rollins and M. G. Magness.