

## LLEWXAM'S LETTER FROM CAPITAL

Raleigh, Jan. 29. The Raleigh Evening Times, the afternoon daily, is changing editors. The position of "editor," or more properly speaking, "editorial writer", has been offered to W. Tom Bost, and it is understood here that he will accept.

Robert L. Gray, the retiring editor, has been with The Times two years. He has not announced what are his plans for the future.

### War Bread is Here.

According to the terms of President Wilson's proclamation issued on Sunday and the "order" of Food Boss Hoover, the bakers here are putting the first American "war bread" on the market. At first it contains only one twentieth part (or five per cent) of adulteration. This is hardly enough to affect its nutritious quality or the taste of the bread. Later the adulteration will gradually be increased until the limit of twenty per cent (or one fifth) is reached.

This means that, in addition to the already enormous quantities of wheat we send to Europe, every fifth barrel set apart for American consumption must also be shipped to the Allies to keep them from starving before we can get enough of our boys across to clean up the German army, which will soon make its strongest effort on the French front.

Only by the aid of the United States have the Allies been able to hold out for the last year, and if it were not for Uncle Sam now Germany would certainly win the war over the European allies—especially since Russia had down. We all know what the Kaiser would do then—with all Europe starving. He would man the English and French navies with Germans and come over to not only lick us, but to Belgianize all North America with all the horrors that term inspires.

Who, then, with such a menace staring us in the face, has the spirit to complain of a little self-denial like the war bread calls for?

To the most selfish person it must appear preferable to being fed to the Kaiser ourselves later on—with our mothers, sisters and daughters sharing the fate of the many Belgian and French women "sent to the front" to wait upon and serve the brutes called German "soldiers." So don't YOU make a wry face when you tackle your first war pone. They say it is just as good for nourishing the body.

"Heatless Mondays" order is very generally obeyed in this section, so much so that the main business streets present a Sunday appearance after 12 o'clock. Practically all of the stores close at noon and there is little or no kicking on the part of the public.

### A German Newspaper Asks Clear Statement of Peace Terms.

From uncensored sources the Committee on Public Information has received editorial comment on the President's recent message in the Frankfurter Zeitung, a liberal organ with a large circulation throughout the German Empire. The following paragraph appears in the translation: "The foundation for the peace negotiations has not yet been found, but we have approached much nearer to it. Wilson seeks a way out of the war in a manner not entirely in accord with us. We see no reason for exposing ourselves any longer to the charge of lack of clarity about our war aims. Germany and her allies should come out openly with their terms. Then perhaps it will be seen that a continuation of the war can be avoided and the resistance of governments to the desire for peace of their countries can be overcome."

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Rev. Robert P. Walker, Pastor. Sunday School meets at 10 a. m., A. P. Harris, superintendent. Preaching at 11 a. m. and at 7 p. m. by the pastor. Morning subject: "How to Sweeten the Life of Albemarle." Evening subject: "Seeking the Lost." The fifth of a series of Sunday Evening Evangelistic meetings. The pastor will give a five minute talk to the boys and girls just before the morning sermon on "The Way of Getting Salt." You are most cordially invited to attend all these services.

### Wiscasset-Efird School Children are Showing Their Patriotism.

Prof. O. D. Ritchie, Superintendent of the Wiscasset and Efird Graded Schools, and his assistant teachers are wide awake concerning the sale of the thrift stamps among their many pupils. On last Friday the pupils purchased nearly two hundred dollars' worth, and several of the pupils filled their cards on the first sale day and received a \$5 War Savings Certificate, which shows the patriotic spirit of these boys and girls. Every child who buys a stamp helps to win the war and each parent should help their children to do something for a successful conclusion of the war, and there is no better way than have the children buy thrift stamps. Prof. Ritchie will sell stamps each Friday at his schools and aid the pupils in saving, which will be a valuable lesson. Below we give a list of those who have already filled their first thrift card.

Nellie Lowder, Edward Harward, Judson Smith, Pfohe Johnson, Boyd Hatley, Lila Lewis, Roy Lowder, James Lyerly, Bonnie Causby, Voight Rogers, Joe Smith, Essie Lowder, Louise Turner, Louise Greene, Cora Furr, Victoria Dunn, Sam Smith, Gladys Doby, Grady Turner, Addie May Lyerty, Hubert Smith, Blanche Furr, Pearl Causby, Raymond Sells, Bryan Smith, Arlie Tucker, Maud Turner, Ralph Causby, Opal Lowder, Howell Harwood, Rena Miller, Ruby Furr.

Three cheers for the boys and girls of these schools! They are going to surprise the people of Stanly County in their patriotic effort to defeat the worst enemy this country has ever had—the German Kaiser.

### MISENHEIMER.

Tuesday morning the sun came out so lovely and nice and made every one feel good and cheerful but in a very few moments the sun hid her face behind the clouds and everything became gloomy and dark as ever.

Mr. Sandy Eudy, of Millingsport, came from home Monday morning in good time to meet the Salisbury train as bad as the weather was.

Mr. Georee Dry is ill with symptoms of Pneumonia. He is attended by Dr. Allen of New London, and also Mr. Dry's little daughter is thought to have the measles and others are supposed to have the measles in the community.

Plenty of mud and everything is in a slush.

Some oaf mill people from Albemarle spent Sunday and Monday in their homes as Monday was not work day in the mills.

Mrs. Kimball, widow of the late Boss Kimball, is very ill. She has been a paralytic for some years and confined to her bed.

Miss Fanne Cline, of the Mitchell Home force of teachers, is back again at her post.

### ADMINISTRATION CLOSES SOUTH CAROLINA PLANT

Washington, Jan. 30.—The license of the Cleo Oil company, of Cleo, South Carolina, has been revoked and the concern ordered to close its business not later than February 6th, the food administrator announced today.

"Speculation in and hoarding of cotton seed" is the reason given for the order and it is announced that as all of the company's products are manufactured from cotton seed, which is under license, it will be unable to operate even as a fertilizer plant.

The company had on hand three million and two thousand pounds of cotton seed and had been in operation only two and a half days in the past year, according to statistics brought out at the hearing before the federal food administration for South Carolina. This, it was announced, was an amount above the reasonable needs for a reasonable length of time and was taken as "clear proof that the seed was being hoarded for speculative purposes."

### ALBEMARLE CIRCUIT.

Rev. H. F. Starr, Pastor. Preaching at Stony Hill Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. The Lord's supper will be administered after the service. Everyone cordially invited.

WANTED—By young man a job, have had four years experience in a general store. Can give A1 reference. Can go to work at once. Address P. O. Box 166, Albemarle, N. C. 2-8-2tp.

## SOCIAL

A larger number of women have not been present at a previous meeting of the Womans Club than at the one held on Thursday evening, Jan. 24. After a short business program Mrs. J. Harris introduced Miss Emily Bryant, who delivered a lecture on "Women in War Time," the keynote of which was one of inspiration to women, with the underlying thought that out of the present day frightful war conditions will come better things; that the present horrors will act as a corrective to the wrong living into which the world has drifted.

The people of Albemarle are learning that they have in their midst in the person of Miss Bryant one of the most intellectual characters in the country. She is a cousin of the great American poet, William Cullen Bryant and a relative of the New England poet, John Greenleaf Whittier, and she herself is possessed in a marked degree with that power of expression which made her great relatives famous throughout all the world. In the future the people of Albemarle will not fail to avail themselves of the opportunity of hearing Miss Bryant when she presents herself. She is not only learned in things generally, but has that broad-minded view of things which is the result of world-wide travel. She is a member of the faculty of the Albemarle Normal and Industrial Institute.

The Household Economics department of the Woman's Club will meet at the Community Building on Thursday evening, Jan. 31 at four o'clock. A very helpful and interesting program has been arranged and a full attendance is desired.

The Twentieth Century club held its first meeting this winter, Tuesday afternoon, with the president, Miss Mary Mabry. Nearly all the members were present and a most enjoyable afternoon was spent. The club is to continue this year its study of American writers and further to prove its patriotism by helping the American fighters. So while one member reads the others will be busily engaged in knitting and sewing for our soldier boys. Another feature will be the Hooverized refreshments. The members will vie with each other in preparing dainty and delicious war dishes for their guests. The next meeting will be with Mrs. G. D. B. Reynolds.

## E. A. HAMPTON SPEAKS HERE

An enthusiastic meeting was held last Saturday in the interest of the War Savings Certificate and Thrift Stamp Campaign at the court house.

About seventy-five per cent of all the teachers of Stanly county were present. Mr. Eddin, County School Superintendent called a meeting of the school teachers to plan for the Spring Teachers' Institute. The War Savings Committee took this occasion to explain and enlist the help of this body in the selling of stamps and it was met with a hearty and patriotic response.

The speaker of the occasion was Mr. F. A. Hampton, of Rocky Mount, who is connected with the department of internal revenue. He made a strong address for the cause.

Mr. W. L. Man, County Chairman, of the War Savings Campaign, then called on Professor Eddin. Mr. Eddin responded with a short talk. He made a strong and forceful appeal for the Thrift Campaign.

Mr. O. D. Ritchie, Principal of the Wiscasset-Efird school responded to a call from the chairman. Mr. Ritchie is an enthusiastic worker as well an enthusiastic talker. He got his plan in definite shape and presented a working plan, and suggested many points of attack that could be used by the workers in the campaign.

It was an organization meeting and the county is well organized now. The teachers are giving this campaign their hearty support and co-operation.

You never overheard two girls talking but what a "he" is mentioned nor two young men but what a "she" gets in somewhere.

## LATE NEWS IN BRIEF

Two Americans Killed by Bombs.—Italian Headquarters, in Northern Italy, Jan. 29.—Two Americans attached to the American Red Cross were killed at Meatre on Sunday night by bombs dropped from German air machines. The Americans were William Platt and Richard Fairfield, and they represent the first Americans to be killed in the Italian fighting zone.

Three Killed in Air Raid.—London, Jan. 30.—In last night's air raid three persons were killed and ten injured, it was announced officially today. It is feared the bodies of six other persons are buried in the ruins of a destroyed house.

A Murder and a Suicide on a College Campus.—Athens, Ga., Jan. 30.—The bodies of Miss Belle Hill, of Johnson county, and Jamie Johnson, who came here as the guest of a student of the University of Georgia, were found on the college campus, both having died of pistol wounds. Indications were, the authorities declared, that Johnson shot Miss Hill and then killed himself. The shooting, it is said took place between three and four o'clock in the morning.

The Conscription Convention Ready.—Washington, Jan. 30.—Agreement between the United States and Great Britain and Canada on terms of separate conscription convention and which only awaits the signatures of the representatives of the governments concerned was announced by Secretary of State Lansing in a letter to Chairman Dent of the house military committee.

Draft Machinery for Young Men.—Washington, Jan. 30.—War department legislation tentatively agreed upon by the senate military committee and designed to provide additional draft machinery was ready today for introduction in the senate. The bill provides for the registration of youth attaining the age of 21 since June 5, last, and authorizes the fixing of quotas on the basis of class 1 and the new classification and empowers the President to call men needed for special industrial work.

Severe Cold Wave is Sweeping Northwest.—Washington, Jan. 30.—Further hardships from lack of coal another tie-up of congested railway systems and the slowing down of industry is in prospect with the appearance in the Northwest of another severe cold wave which covers the Northwest and Central West. It will cause cold weather over the eastern half of the country for several days, reaching the Atlantic coast Friday. It is accompanied by general light snow.

Ice Gorge Breaks One Ship is Sunk.—Cincinnati, Jan. 30.—The ice gorge at this point broke this morning at 10:30 o'clock and the ice began to move slowly down the river. The first boat to be taken with it was the City of Louisville. It swung loose from its moorings and crashed into the government boat Ottawa. The Ottawa was not hurt but the City of Louisville soon sunk.

Three Members of Wage Scale Named.—Washington, Jan. 30.—The wage scale commission today appointed three of the four members to hear minor wage complaints. The three named were: Ed. J. Barcalo, a Buffalo manufacturer and a prominent leader of labor reforms in the state of New York; Riley Redpath, a Kansas City business man and Lathrop Brown, a New Yorker, formerly a member of Congress and now a special assistant to the secretary of the interior.

To Europe to Represent Shipping.—Washington, Jan. 30.—Raymond Stevens, vice chairman of the shipping board and George Rublee, of the board of legal advisors, are to be sent to England as permanent representatives of the shipping board.

Senator Fugher Dead.—Washington, Jan. 30.—Senator Wm. Hughes, of New Jersey, died today after a long illness. Word of his death reached the White House during the morning.

Villa Followers Kill Passengers and Many Soldiers.—Juarez, Mexico, Jan. 29.—More than 110 soldiers and passengers were killed by Villa followers Saturday, 25 miles south of Santa Rosalie, when the Villa troops dynamited a work train going to Re-lano to repair the railroad line and remove the debris of the passenger train which was robbed and burned there Wednesday. This information was received here tonight from the south by a number of reliable persons and was not denied by the authorities.

### SERIOUS STRIKES THROUGHOUT GERMANY

Dissatisfied with the progress of the peace negotiations and with Prussian electoral reforms German workmen have brought about a number of serious strikes in Berlin and other parts of the empire. The German government has begun strong repressive measures and the arrest of six leaders of the independent socialist party has been ordered, while at Kiel the leaders of the late unrest and disturbances have been sent to the front.

In Berlin and suburbs ninety thousand workers were not at their task on Monday and this seriously hampered the electric works and the plants making airplanes about the capital. Strikes are also reported at the important manufacturing towns along the Rhine and in Westphalia.

The steel making plants of Essen have been affected and at Kiel workers in torpedo factories and at the docks have been out since last Friday.

All meetings in industrial centers have been prohibited. The strike agitators have come from the independent socialists and not from trades unions. In addition to ordering the arrest of the six leaders of the independent socialists the authorities have also, according to reports, ordered the arrest of Adolph Hossman, the editor of the socialist organ, and an independent leader in Prussia.

The strike movement is said to be directed against delay in passing the Prussian reform bill and the annexation propaganda conducted by the Fatherland party which assailed bitterly the conduct of the German emissaries at Brest-Litovsk. The general strike broke out Monday, the day after the Emperor's birthday.

In Finland the revolutionists have set up a government of their own.

Late reports are to the effect that the fighting has lessened in intensity with the revolutionists in control in the south and the government forces victorious in the north. Swedish subjects in Finland were endangered by the revolt, one report being to the effect that Swedish troops already had entered Finland to aid the government.

On the western front the British have repulsed attempted raids near Arras and the French have checked a German raiding party in Alsace, taking prisoners.

Artillery and aerial activity is most marked in Flanders and northern Italy. The Italians in northern Italy are being reinforced says a dispatch.

### LOCUST.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Crayton on Friday, January 25, a daughter.

D. C. Tucker and Baucom, of Peachland, were business visitors here last Monday.

Benton Curlee, Jr., of Landis, spent several days of last week here with relatives.

The little child of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Eudy almost lacerated one of her tonsils one day last week when it fell, thrusting a large straw down its throat.

An enjoyable social event was a birthday party given Saturday night at her home by Miss Annie Yow. Despite the mud and rain a goodly number of young people were present and spent a very pleasant time together.

Miss Annie was the recipient of many nice presents.

Send a one cent stamp to Milton Brown, Albemarle, N. C., and get a sample copy of the Dixie Times.

Miss Hallie Talbert returned Wednesday from John Hopkins Hospital at Baltimore, Md., where she has been undergoing treatment for several months. Her many friends will be glad to know that she is greatly improved.

## J. E. KLUTZ GETS VIGOROUS LETTER

County Food Administrator J. E. Klutz has been instructed by State Food Administrator Henry A. Page to take prompt and vigorous action to the end that all purchasers of excessive quantities of foodstuffs, particularly flour, in this county shall return their surplus above one barrel to the dealers without delay.

Mr. Page evidently means business and Mr. Klutz means business too, for he announces that the State Food Administrator's instructions will be carried out to the letter. Mr. Page wrote one of those straight-from-the-shoulder type of letters that is characteristic of the man. He demands action and action right away. In his letter to the County Food Administrator Mr. Page instructs him as follows:

"(1) That you demand of each retailer in your county a complete list of consumers who have purchased flour in excess of one barrel during the past three months.

"(2) That you immediately notify the purchasers whose names are submitted to you or whose names you can secure that they must return all flour in their possession in excess of one barrel to the dealers from whom they purchased, these dealers being required to take it back at the price they received for it.

"(3) That you take every means within your command to remedy this situation just as promptly as possible.

"(4) That you submit to us very promptly for indictment and prosecution the names of any merchants who withhold information and the consumers who retain in their possession more than one barrel of flour after they have been given an opportunity to return it to the dealers."

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 29, 1918.

J. E. Klutz, Food Administrator, Albemarle, N. C.

Notify all merchants through your local papers no exceptions can be made to New Food Administration Ruling forbidding sale of wheat flour except in connection with equal amount of other cereals, including corn meal, hominy grits, oat meal, rice, barley flour, edible wheat shorts or middling corn flour, corn starch soy bean flour.

HENRY W. PAGE.

### LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Lester Melton spent Sunday in Norwood.

Mr. J. F. Morton is confined to his room with sickness.

Mr. George W. Reed went to Norwood on business.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Boyett have returned from a trip to Florida.

Winola, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Horton, has scarlet fever.

Miss Ramelle Smith spent last week end with friends in Columbia, South Carolina.

Mr. V. D. Ross has moved into the residence owned by Mrs. Mag Littleton, on Third Street.

Miss Theresa King spent last week end with Mrs. Paul Book at Badin, North Carolina.

Miss Jenna Crump, of Norwood, spent a few days with Mrs. J. M. Boyett last week.

Mr. E. B. Shankle spent Monday and Tuesday with his mother, Mrs. D. A. Shankle.

Mr. W. T. Efird and family, of Norwood, are visiting Mr. Efird's father, Mr. J. S. Efird, of Albemarle.

Ralph, the little son of Mr. Sid Mabry left for Mt. Gilead Saturday to visit relatives there.

Mr. E. E. Snuggs has returned from his hunting trip to Florida. He reports a fine time and says he killed his first deer on this trip.

Mr. Malcolm Thompson, of Charlotte and Mrs. Jackson, of Birmingham, Alabama, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Fitzgerald last week.