

Local and Personal

Mr. John Mitchell of Hamlet, formerly city manager of Hickory, has passed the examination for the Oglethorpe training camp.

Dr. Anders of Gastonia and Rev. Mr. Rankin of Gastonia spent the night with Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Newton on their way to Boone and Ruthersford College, Dr. Anders to spend the summer in the mountains and Mr. Rankin to deliver the sermon before the graduating class of the college.

Miss Nora Whitener, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Avery Whitener and Mrs. J. C. Welch left last Saturday for Atlanta, Ga., to visit Mr. Lary Whitener and family. Mr. Welch will visit several relatives before returning to Hickory. He has been making his home with his daughter, Mrs. Avery Whitener of east Burke county.

Mother-Teacher Association Mother-Teacher Association met at the South school Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The meeting was well attended and all present greatly enjoyed Mrs. Longaker's address on how the children should spend their vacation. She brought out many points of interest and it is to be regretted all the mothers could not hear her. The next meeting will be held at the South school Friday May 25 at 3:30. All mothers are urged to be present at the next meeting, as it will be of unusual interest.

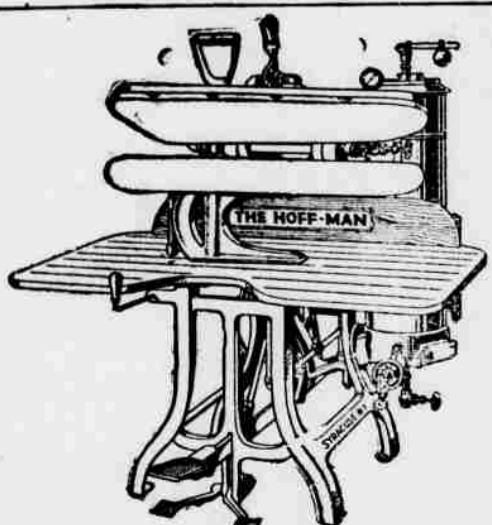
BEAUTIFUL TRIBUTE TO JOHN M. CAMPBELL

The Post Deposit correspondent of the Cecil county (Md.) News gives the following account of the recent death of Mr. John M. Campbell who spent several years in Hickory and who was so favorably known here.

This town and community were not only terribly shocked but greatly saddened on Sunday afternoon to hear of the death of Mr. John M. Campbell, which occurred at 2:30. For some time he had been suffering with a severe cold, but did not consider it serious. On Friday, April 13, he with Rev. and Mrs. F. X. Moore and Miss Mary Campbell went to Rising Sun to share in the reception given to the new minister of the M. E. church. His cold was very much worse on his return and when he went to bed it was for the last time. From the first Dr. C. I. Benson, who attended him, gave no hope of recovery. He died as he lived, believing in the resurrection of the dead and a free knowledge of awakening in a land where neither sickness nor sorrow is known. His life was a "living epistle known and read of all men." He has gone, but only eternity can tell of the good he did. His left hand had no knowledge of what his right hand did. Like Nathaniel of old it could be said of him "Behold a man indeed, in whom is no guile." He was modest in all his good works, gave liberally to every good cause, supported two in India, who were seeking to know the truth. Every minister, since his coming among us, leaned upon him for counsel. Nothing proceeded from his mouth but words of comfort and cheer; no matter what misfortune or sorrow came to him, he always felt it was for his good. He was an exhorter, class leader, Sunday school teacher. Never too weary to attend all church services; never too weary to visit the sick and point them to the "Lamb of God." He never failed in season and out of season to speak a word for his Master.

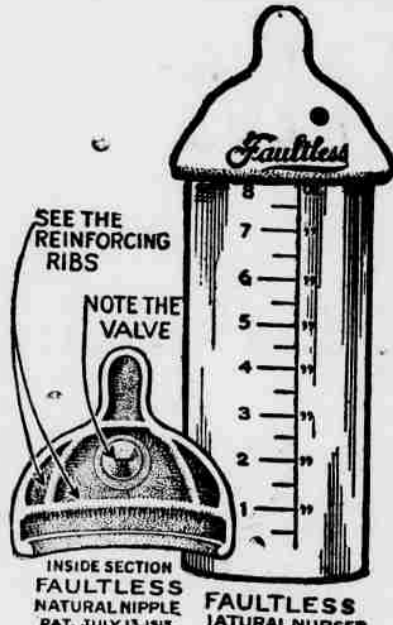
Mr. Campbell came to this town about January 1899, and with his cousins, Walton and William Campbell, opened a warehouse on the steamboat wharf. The firm has always been known for its integrity. As soon as he became established he went for his family, who were at their home in Barnesville, Pa. His wife did not live but a few months after coming here and left him with four children. Her sister, Miss Florence Stephenson, took care of the children and kept his house. After several years they married and one child was born to them. This climate did not agree with his wife, and he moved to Florida, then to Georgia, then to North Carolina, where she died. He did not give up his business relations here but spent part of his time with his family. Since her death he has remained here. The Methodist church can never replace him. He will live in the hearts of many people who loved and honored him. He leaves five children, Emory, who is in hospital in Denver, Col., and could not get here, Howard, who lives in Statesville, N. C.; Mrs. Mary Hunt, of Waynesville, N. C.; Mrs. Elizabeth Field, of Greensboro, N. C., and Ruth Campbell, who lives with her sister, Mrs. Hunt.

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RUSSIAN TROOPS AT SALONIKI TAKE OATH

(By the Associated Press)

Saloniki, May 8.—All the Russian troops on the Balkan front have now taken the oath of allegiance to the new Russian government. Russian soldiers in the vicinity of Saloniki were marshalled on a suburban parade ground for the ceremony of swearing allegiance to the provisional authority. The general in command addressed them, reading the Russian Emperor's proclamation of abdication and explaining that a constitutional convention was to be held later to choose a form of government.

"The emperor has given up his throne," said the general, "and has absolved you of your oath of fealty to him. You are therefore free now to take the oath of allegiance to the new provisional government." Not a dissenting voice was raised when the general read the new oath, which was first repeated by the officers and then by the men, all of whom thereupon filed past and kissed the bible and the cross in token of their new allegiance.

In conclusion, the general explained that all courtesy titles had been abolished, and that in future the men must not address him as "Excellency" but simply as "general." "Yes, Your Excellency," replied all the men in chorus, whereupon they were made to repeat their acknowledgment in the new manner of "Yes, General."

MANY DOING IT FOR LESS

According to the Bureau of Personal Service of the Board of Estimates, \$980 a year is the smallest sum upon which a family of five, including three young children, can properly be supported. That is equivalent to about \$3.25 a day for 302 working days a year. What proportion of the working population of this city, with dependents to provide for, is earning today this average wage in the lowest-paid occupations, in stores, factories, or outdoor labor?

TO PRACTICE SINGING FOR BIG CELEBRATION

All persons who expect to take part in the singing at the white way celebration Thursday night are urged to meet at the home of Mrs. J. Worth Elliott tonight to practice patriotic airs. It is hoped that a great crowd will be present. It is planned to make the singing a feature of the celebration.

HOLLAND IS RATIONED BY THE GOVERNMENT

(By the Associated Press)

The Hague, Netherlands, May 8.—Nearly all Holland has been put on a system of government rations because of the virtual stopping of grain imports from America as a result of the ruthless submarine warfare and the poor crops of potatoes and other vegetables. The entente allies had long since put in use a system of rationing the Hollanders in the matter of grain imports but now the halt in the movement of all shipping has caused a virtual cessation of all imports.

A breadcard system has been in effect since February. Under the new plan, potato and rye flour is mixed with American flour, effecting an economy of more than 50 per cent in the consumption of wheat. Owing to a shortage of the stocks of potatoes, the allowance has been reduced and potato-less days have been established. The ration of peas and beans to each person amounts to a little more than one pound.

The other prime necessities of life that are under direct government control are being distributed to each community according to the number of its inhabitants, the local authorities then dividing the supplies among the individuals.

Holland is beginning to follow the example of Germany in establishing central kitchens. The principal one thus far put into operation is at Rotterdam. It provides about a quart of warm food for a sum equal to four American cents. When prepared the food is rapidly transported to the city where distribution is made.

Food and hunger demonstrations occur occasionally. In these Socialists are active in bringing the needs of the people to the attention of the government.

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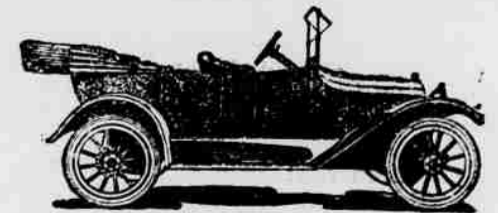
FOOD MEETING SATURDAY

The executive committee of the Catawba County Food Commission yesterday set Saturday at 1 p. m., as the time for a great mass meeting of patriotic Catawbans to discuss ways and means of increasing production of food and feed, of practicing economy in the use of these necessities, and of conserving every bit of food and feed for later needs.

The men and women of town and county are urged to come to this gathering. It is for the best interests of the county and everybody in it; it will help North Carolina and the United States. Every person is expected to "do his bit."

The committee has appointed one man in each school district to be a committee of one to urge the carrying out of plans the committee will form. He is a representative of the county and of the state organization. It was decided to stress at this time a greater corn and sweet potato crop, and as details of the work, farmers, are urged to secure the best seed, use more fertilizer than ever, prepare their ground with greater care. Any farmer who cannot get the seed and other help that he needs to increase his acreage and make one acre do its level best, is asked to attend the meeting and let his wants be known. Uncle Sam for one will see that he gets what he needs.

The executive committee is composed of Osborne Brown, chairman; County Agent Mask, secretary; Supt. Geo. E. Long of the schools; Miss Mary Rowe, home demonstrator; H. L. Arndt, president of the Farmers' Union; J. Y. Killian, member of the legislature, and Harvey Geitner of Hickory.—Newton Enterprise.



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