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ONE DOLLAR A YEAR.

MR. NASH HAS FIRST BALE.

Wants Tom to Come Back—Mr. Gaddy's Foot Cut—Old Gilboa Community.

Wingate, Sept. 7.—Ideal weather for all farm work. Could not be better if we had it made to order.

Mr. Carl Bivens, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Bivens, left Friday for an extended visit to friends and relatives in Mississippi, Arkansas and Texas.

Mr. Brigman of Monroe who has a position as night operator at the telephone office here has moved his family here and is occupying the house recently vacated by Mrs. Free.

Mr. Sargeon Black, son of Rev. and Mrs. C. J. Black, has returned to Wake Forest to resume his studies for the ensuing term.

Mrs. Henry Conder and children of Darlington, S. C. are visiting the family of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Bivens.

Her many friends will regret to learn that Miss Miranda Stewart, daughter of the late Mr. E. P. Stewart and Mrs. Ella Stewart, is sick with some form of nerve trouble.

When Mrs. Ashcraft and Tom announced the time up for their stay with us and assured us of the fact that they had other appointments and obligations to meet and that their visit had proved most interesting and delightful, there was nothing for us to do but excuse them but not until "Tom" had promised that some day in the near future he would come to Wingate and bring his mother, drop her off at the Oak which he went to the village to transact his business and chatted and commingled with his friends and listened to the wisdom, logic and eloquence of the Spilt and Argy club, while Mrs. Ashcraft, Mrs. O. P. T. and the writer could have the time at their disposal.

Now, Mr. "Tom" we shall expect a fulfillment of this promise. Come time enough to give us the pleasure of your presence for a short time, at least, we shall be delighted.

The writer feels that he was deprived of one of the most delightful and enjoyable occasions of his life by not being able to attend the Home Coming at Gilboa last week. Some of the sweetest and most precious memories of his youth and early manhood cluster about this historic old church and school. His first hour in Sabbath school was spent in the old church under the superintendency of the late Jas. S. Marsh, a prominent member of the Gilboa church.

The writer "made up" the first school that was ever taught on the grounds. Major Ashcraft was the teacher, and it was the first school taught in the community after the war of 61 to 65.

Of course it was a private school, paid for by individuals. Well, I could fill a whole column more on this subject, but time and strength forbid anything further at present. Perhaps I shall have more to say along this line in the near future.

Prof. and Mrs. B. Y. Tyner will leave today—Thursday—for their home at Fredericksburg, Va. Miss Sarah Bivens, sister of Mrs. Tyner, will accompany them home and will enter as a student the Virginia State Normal College for the approaching term. Her friends wish for Miss Bivens a pleasant and most successful year in her school work.

Rev. Mr. Campbell of Mt. Gilboa is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Humphrey.

Rev. Mr. Kinney of Albemarle has moved his family to Wingate preparatory to re-entering school for the fall term.

We were delighted to have as our guests at the Lone Oak for an hour or two Monday Rev. C. J. Black and Mr. C. W. Griffin. We don't know where we could find more kind, congenial, and entertaining friends than these. How it does relieve the monotonous grind of each day for our good friends to drop in and spend an hour in chatting about current events and things of interest generally. We are always bettered by the contact with such characters.

Mr. Chester Gaddy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Braxton Gaddy, who went from here last winter to Stanfield, Stanley county, was the victim of quite a painful and serious accident a few days ago. The young man was engaged in cutting cross ties when in some way he missed his aim and the blow fell upon his foot, cutting the member almost in two. A physician was summoned who gave the wound the necessary attention and latest reports say that Chester is getting along very nicely so far. The unfortunate young man has the sympathy of many friends about here.

It is rumored that Wingate is to have a dentist soon. Hope the rumor will prove true.

Candidate Hughes is putting in some practice on writing congratulatory telegrams. He should be able to send a good one to President Wilson on the night of November 7th.—Greenville Reflector.

Only a lucky man can afford to pose as a disbeliever in luck.

Waxhaw News.

Correspondence of The Journal.

Waxhaw, Sept. 8.—Mr. Claude Heath of Albemarle visited at Mr. C. S. Massey's Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Neely and children visited at Mr. W. P. Neely's this week.

Mr. Henry G. Clark left Monday afternoon for Baltimore to buy fall goods for the Rodman, Clark & Co.

Mr. Harvey Hood left Tuesday for Raleigh where he will attend the Agricultural and Mechanical College.

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Winchester of Mineral Springs have returned home from a visit to Chattanooga, Tenn.

Misses Lucile Niven and Mary Wingate left Tuesday afternoon for Monroe. They will stay there until Wednesday and then they will go to Lenoir to attend Davenport College.

There will be a play, "The Country Doctor," given at Unity school house Saturday night, September 9. Everybody cordially invited.

Mrs. W. F. Sandford and daughter, Miss Thelma Sandford, are spending this week at Granite Falls.

Mr. Will Massey of Hot Springs, Ark. is visiting his brother, Mr. C. S. Massey, here this week.

Mr. John Davis of Houston, Tex. visited at Mr. R. J. Bell's Tuesday.

Miss Savannah Myres of Jackson, Miss. is visiting Misses Lottie Walkup and Maggie Bell this week.

Mr. J. W. McCain spent Wednesday in Charlotte.

Messrs. Fred and J. S. Pyle and J. E. McCain spent Tuesday in Charlotte.

Mr. J. E. McCain bought a Ford Wednesday. It is one of the latest models and the first of the new series in town and is attracting much attention.

Mr. J. H. Alfred of Mt. Airy was a visitor in town Thursday. He was a teacher in the school here three years ago. Since then he has finished his course in the University of North Carolina, standing head of a class of 97. We are all glad to have him with us again.—News Bay.

Items From Center Grove.

Correspondence of The Journal.

Monroe, R. F. D. 8, Sept. 8.—Misses Rosa and Nellie Hargett of Stoneboro were the guests of Miss Emma and Dora Blumhagen Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Ethel Yandle returned home Sunday from Charlotte after spending two weeks with her cousin, Miss Eva Reid.

Mrs. Waymon Sullivan of Pineville is on a two weeks' visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Helms.

Miss Cora Helms spent last week with her aunt, Mrs. James Presley, at Ebenezer.

Mrs. Hallie Vickory of Stoneboro spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Deese.

Mr. G. W. Moser of Monroe spent Sunday with Mr. A. B. Vanale.

Miss Eula May Helms was the guest of Miss Cora Helms Sunday.

Little Miss Aline Yandle of Goose Creek spent Saturday and Sunday with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Yandle.

I have been requested to announce that Rev. A. B. Baywood of Indian Trail will begin a protracted meeting at the Henby school house next Sunday at 10:30 o'clock.

Mrs. Blair Yandle returned home Sunday after spending two weeks in Charlotte and Salisbury with relatives. Mrs. Yandle was in Salisbury during the storm and she reports that it did considerable damage there.

Prayer meeting which was to be at Sardis last Sunday evening was postponed until next Sunday evening on account of Mrs. Price being unable to fill her appointment. Mrs. R. F. Price will be with us next Sunday evening at 8 o'clock.—Rose Bud.

TWELVE CENT MINIMUM SAYS FARMERS UNION

Organization of Entire South Into Marketing Units Will Begin at Once—Organization Has Unions in Thirty States.

New Orleans Dispatch, Sept. 6.

The annual meeting of State Farmers' Union Presidents which has just closed here fixed 12 cents per pound as the minimum price of cotton and urged that all bankers, merchants and business interests of the South co-operate in maintaining this price in order that the cotton industry of the South might be placed upon a stable basis.

Peter Radford of the Texas Warehouse Commission was appointed chairman of the committee having these matters in charge. Mr. Radford immediately called a meeting of his committee at Houston on September 19 and invited leading officials of the Union in all cotton states to attend. The committee will discuss with the business men of Houston the warehouse financial and shipping facilities with a view of determining the percentage of the Southern cotton crop which can be stored, financed and handled through Houston.

The organization of the entire south into marketing units with the Farmers' Union locals as a basis will begin as soon as suitable men can be put in the fields.

Henry N. Pope was elected president of the association and I. N. Collier of Louisiana, secretary. The Union has state organizations in thirty states and President Pope will make a tour of all states at an early date.

The work of organization will be rapidly extended to meet the needs of every product and every section, the association has invited the co-operation of the commercial clubs, business men's organizations, state and federal governments and all efforts to improve agricultural economies and conditions that a higher degree of efficiency can be obtained by all agencies for progress working through the organized farmers.

CHILD KIDNAP

An Infant of Tragedy Entered by Colored Child in Anson County, Wednesday Evening.

A horribly tragedy occurred yesterday afternoon in Monroev township when T. C., the three-year-old son of Fred Pratt, colored, killed Frankie James, the two-year-old daughter of Frank Bennett, also colored. All the parties live on Miss Johnnie Dunlap's place. The particulars are as follows:

The mother of Frankie James went to the fields to pick cotton, leaving Frankie James and a smaller baby in a room of the house with the door barred. A short while later T. C. and Odessa, his four-year-old sister, who live nearby went over to the house. Nothing is known of what occurred except what was learned from the stories of T. C. and Odessa. According to them Frankie James would play with them and T. C. went out into the yard, got an axe and proceeded to massacre Frankie James. The child was hit in the head, also its legs and arms and body badly mutilated. Then T. C. and Odessa tied strings to the body and attempted to drag it over to their own home. They were unable to do this, and started home. On the way they met the dead child's mother and told her T. C. had hit the child on the head and it was bleeding. The woman went home and found the dead body. The smaller baby was not harmed.

Coroner Jones and Dr. Ashe went out and held an inquest this morning. The mother of the dead child and T. C. and Odessa were put on the stand and the facts as above stated were elicited. On account of their tender age, four and three, they were not arrested, and it seems that there is nothing to do about the matter.

About the Sitings of the Recorder's Court.

Waxhaw Enterprise.

The Marshville Home last week had a long editorial on the recorder's court nuisance. Some little case of minor importance had come up from Marshville township before the court and the whole community was ransacked for witnesses. Many of the men had to leave their business and pay expenses to Monroe for a day, and got nothing out of it. The Home suggests as a remedy that the court hold sessions at other points in the county. Waxhaw had the same thing to contend with about two years ago and the Enterprise raised sand, just as the Home is doing now. A petition signed by a big majority of Jackson and Sandy Ridge township voters was sent up to the Legislature asking for sitings of the recorder's court in Waxhaw once a month for trial of cases in the two townships. The Legislature passed on the matter, referring it to the county commissioners, giving them power to order the siting of the court here. So far as we know, nothing further was done about the matter. We do not think the commissioners were ever petitioned to give us the court. We presume that the law as passed by the last General Assembly is applicable to the whole county, and if the Home and its constituency will bestir themselves and ask it of the commissioners they may get the court to sit at Marshville without waiting for the Legislature to meet.

We sometimes hear of a woman who is said to be worth her weight in gold, but we never hear of one who was worth her weight in dollar bills.

"New York Needs Me," Noted Evangelist Remarks to Reporter.

New York Herald.

If "Ma" Sunday will give her consent, in all probability the tabernacle for the Rev. "Billy" Sunday to conduct his "campaign against the devil" in this city will go up at Fort Washington avenue and 16th street.

The site formerly was the American League baseball grounds, and the plot is owned by the New York Institute for the Education of the Blind. The tract is available for lease by the New York Committee on Arrangements.

A committee of prominent New York business men and clergymen will meet Mr. Sunday and his wife at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel at nine o'clock this morning to escort them to the site. Mr. Sunday came to New York from Ocean Grove for this purpose only. He will leave here on an eleven o'clock train for his home at Winona, Ind.

Mr. and Mrs. Sunday arrived at the Waldorf-Astoria last evening at fifteen minutes after eleven o'clock from Ocean Grove. Mrs. Sunday told a reporter for the Herald that her husband was tired, having addressed four big meetings during the day at the seashore resort.

One of the first persons to rush up and grasp "Billy" by the hand was "Tex" Rickard, prize fight promoter, who was standing in the lobby. Some one had just remarked to Mr. Rickard:

"You ought to stage a prize fight for 'Billy' while he is in town."

The evangelist did not seem to mind the worldly atmosphere at the hotel. After a few words to the reporter he went directly to his room.

"New York needs me bad," said "Billy" to the reporter, and added that all the other big cities abound in wickedness and all need him. He stated he did not go, though, unless he was invited.

"It's up to New York whether I come here for a campaign, not up to me," he said.

"I don't know, though," he continued. "New York is such a big place and there are so many other places, and there is so much else going on."

"I can't tell you about the campaign here because I do not know."

It is definitely settled that Mr. Sunday will begin his campaign here January 1 next, as was the case last year. He will be in Boston then, remaining there until the middle of February. The committee, if the site is settled today, will request the evangelist to give New York March, April and May.

Little Runaway Girls Swap Jails for Homes.

Baltimore News and Observer.

After being held in jail first under orders from Chief Keonee for an investigation and later as witness in the case against Eugene Pavette and Arthur Gould, Lula Crowell, Edith Lilly and Edith McLoughlin, three young girls "runaways" will again have their liberty and be given an opportunity to live a better life.

Lula Crowell, the oldest of the trio and who gave her age as 17, yesterday was taken to a good country home by a citizen who promised to help her if she would live with him and his wife. She seemed delighted that she was able to leave the dreary jail cell and promised to show her appreciation of a good home by doing the best she could to better her life.

Ethel Lilly, age 12, and Edith McLoughlin, age 15, will be sent back to their homes in the north upon transportation furnished by the mothers of the two girls. They, too, would have been given good homes in North Carolina by people interested in them, but way back in Pennsylvania there is a kind and loving mother anxiously awaiting for little Ethel Lilly, while in Wisconsin there is also a forgiving mother ready to welcome her little Edith back home.

Chief of Police Keonee has been in communication with the mothers of the two young girls for several days and was pleased when he learned from them that they were ready to forgive the little runaways and receive them back into their homes.

No Socks in German Army.

The Outlook.

The German soldier does not wear socks, but fustlappen. These are strips of cloth soaked in tallow and wound about the feet. They are supposed to be preferable to socks in that they wear more evenly, are more easily cleaned and, when properly worn, are not likely to wrinkle and cause blisters.

Military authorities disagree, however, as to the relative value of socks and tallow-soaked strips. Either covering, though, is considered preferable to the custom of wearing no socks, which has prevailed in the French, Spanish and Italian armies.

Where His Faith Broke Down.

"The late Bishop Hare," said a Sioux Falls physician, "used, very responsibly, to impute skepticism to misunderstanding."

"He once told me about a Philadelphia business man of skeptical tendencies, who said to him: 'My dear Mr. Hare, I do not refuse to believe in the story of the ark. I can accept the ark's enormous size, its odd shape and the vast number of animals it contained, but when I am asked, my dear doctor, to believe that the children of Israel carried this unwieldy thing for forty years in the wilderness—well, there I'm bound to say, my faith breaks down.'"

REPUBLICANS ACTIVE ALL OVER THE STATE

Democratic State Chairman Comments on This Feature of Unusual Political Energy.

Raleigh Dispatch, Sept. 6.

Democratic State Chairman Thos. D. Warren said today that he never knew the Republicans to be as active in campaign work as they are just now in this State, but that their efforts are being effectively checkmated by the Democratic campaigners and that the Democrats were scarcely ever more thoroughly alive to campaign effort and opportunities than now. He believes that the fullest sort of a vote will be gotten out and that the Democratic majorities will show decided gains in many sections and will nowhere diminish.

Chairman Warren says that practically every county in the State has already had one or more big Democratic rallies or other campaign speakings and that the work is going forward under pressure from both the State and county committees and chairmen. The Congressmen and other district and county candidates are getting busy and the whole state is abuzz with Democratic campaign effort that will certainly counteract all the speaking and campaign corruption funds that the Republicans can possibly turn loose on the voters in the state.

Germans Prefer to Surrender Than Die.

Paris Dispatch, Sept. 4th.

Although there are no signs of halt in the clock-work advance scored by the French troops of the Sixth and Tenth armies north and south of the Somme since noon last Sunday, the Germans are resisting with increasing stubbornness.

On the southern side, particularly south of Digneourt and at the gates of Bessieres-Senters, they are heroically holding themselves with unquenched valor, but without avail, and the Gibraltar-like keeps into which Gen. Foch's engineers transfused the positions within a few hours after their capture.

March to Certain Death.

In the front of their efforts to prevent further encroachments by the French, the most intently the Germans are searching to certain death in counter attacks launched with the heaviest shadow of artillery preparation. In the last seventy-two hours there has been a dozen of these bloody attempts at striking back, and not one of them has recovered an inch of the ground lost.

Nevertheless, Gen. von Lieber, commander of the German forces on the Blaches-Bienecourt front, is keeping vast numbers of men in the trenches under a pitiless hail of shrapnel and high explosive, with orders to die rather than return.

Instead of dying, the Germans are surrendering, which explains the big bag of prisoners netted by Gen. Foch.

According to information given me by staff officers, the loss of the national highway from Bapatunne to Peronne has particularly stirred the German commander to a realization of his peril. While he is still within the German lines, the French are only a few hundred yards away, and their 75s. not to speak of their heavier ordnance, keep it studded with shells.

Thus, the Germans have had the use of a road indispensable to an adequate replenishment of the ammunition supply for the monster batteries' roosting on Mont Saint Quentin (north of Peronne). Therein lies the explanation of the withdrawal of some of the guns mentioned in my dispatch of Monday.

Villa, With Large Force, In Hundred Miles of American Headquarters.

El Paso Dispatch, Sept. 7.

General Pershing, acting upon a suggestion from General Funston, is reported hurrying back to field headquarters from Columbus, N. M., following information given the military authorities here that Pancho Villa, with 1,500 men, fully supplied with arms and ammunition, was less than 100 miles from the American outposts.

Fears are expressed openly here that Villa, in a desperate effort to discredit First Chief Carranza, will sacrifice a part of his command by sending it against the outposts of the American expeditionary force. Thousands of Yaqui Indians in the district between Navajon and Guzman are on the warpath. They have killed many ranchers and devastated a large territory, according to a report brought here by Enrique Velasco, commissioner sent by Carranza to divide the lands of the peons.

Less Bread, Bigger Price, Plan of the Nation's Bakers.

Chicago Dispatch, Sept. 6.

Three propositions to meet the advance in flour prices, with which bakers say they are confronted were discussed at a meeting today of the Executive Committee of the National Association of Master Bakers. They are:

Confining bread production to the 10 cent loaf, of weight consistent with present price of flour and wheat, about 21 cents; increase of price of the present 20-cent loaf to a profitable point, 8 or 7 cents; and reduction of the weight of the 5-cent loaf to a profitable point, about 5 ounces.

According to members of the committee, the propositions are favored by the bakers. It is expected action will be taken on the proposals at the meeting to-morrow of the Executive Committee, and also on a resolution submitted to-day asking Congress to place an embargo on wheat.

THE LATEST NEWS TOLD IN BRIEF FORM

GERMAN EMPEROR WATCHING THE FIGHTING OF HIS SOLDIERS AND THE ENGLISH

Congress on the Eve of Adjournment—Secretary of War in North Carolina—Senate Agrees to Buy Danish West Indies—Allies Continue their Successes But Rumanians Lose Large Number of Prisoners.

Nowhere is there now any talk of peace in Europe. The Germans admit that their difficulties have been increased by the entrance of Rumania into the war, but their high officials announce that they are still prepared to meet every emergency and believe that they will last longest in the game of wear out that is now being carried on. The Allies have completely taken charge of Greece for the purpose of aiding in their northward attack in the Balkans designed to meet the southward lunge from Russia and Rumania through that country. But the Bulgarians are fighting bravely with their allies, the Austrians and Germans yesterday lost 20,000 prisoners.

The Balkan situation is in hand by the Allies their circle around Germany and Austria will be complete and the last outlet to the world will be cut off from the central powers. The French and English continue to make slow but sure gains on the western front and Emperor William is said to be watching them in person. Little news comes from the Russian offensive. There are predictions now that the war may last till 1918.

Congress adjourns today. One of the last things done is the ratification of the secret treaty with Panama whereby the United States agrees to buy the Danish West Indies, three small islands lying south of Cuba and guarding the entrance to the Panama Canal. The price is \$25,000,000. The treaty was ratified by the Danish parliament.

Sen. Newton D. Baker, secretary of war, and said to be the most outspoken in the cabinet, spoke at Winston yesterday and at Greensboro last night. He said in his speech at Greensboro: "His speech was a review of the administration of Gen. Wilson. Mr. Baker is one of the more judiciously progressive men of the whole nation. Though secretary of war he is not an advocate of war, and unlike most statesmen, he knows something about what causes war."

New York city was seriously over its fear caused by the danger of the railroad strike cutting off its food supply before it was controlled by an actual local strike on the transportation lines of the city. The companies claim that they operated yesterday on nearly normal schedules in spite of the strike and that it is a failure.

Senator Tillman is in South Carolina and he says that the liquor rings and the bootleggers are trying to buy the primary election which takes place Tuesday in which Bleasie and Manning are running the second race for Governor.

The tobacco markets of the State have opened with prices very high. During 12 days in August nearly half a million dollars worth was sold on the Wilson market alone.

The Bremen, the second undersea boat which was expected to arrive from Germany, has not been heard of and it is beginning to be believed that she has been lost. She was due to arrive soon after the Deutschland.

The Maine election, which is supposed to force the new nation will go this fall, takes place next Tuesday. Democrats claim that they have a good chance to elect the governor and U. S. Senators.

Better Babies Again at Great State Fair.

The Better Babies Contest is to be a feature of the State Fair again this year. It will be conducted by the Woman's Club of Raleigh and the State Board of Health, and will be held on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of Fair week, which is October 17-20.

This contest, which is the fourth annual Better Babies Contest to be held at the State Fair, will be managed under practically the same rules and regulations as the one last year. Babies from 6 months to 3 years old will be admitted. No fee will be charged for entries. Efficient physicians and nurses, including a specialist for the eyes, ears, nose and throat, will make the examinations. The score card system will be used in keeping each child's record, diplomas and certificates will again be issued. Instructions will be given the mothers as to the particular needs and treatment of their children.

For three years the Better Babies Contest has been one of the most popular features of the State Fair. Last year over two hundred babies were registered for the three days and it is believed that during the four days of this year a much larger number of babies will be entered. Miss Mae Reynolds of the State Board of Health will again receive all applications made for babies entering the contest.

To an engaged couple wedded life appears to be all sunshine—but to a husband and wife it looks suspiciously like moonshine at times.