



1—American soldier in training camp equipped for bayonet drill. 2—French troops marching along the country roads on the way to the trenches at Verdun. 3—Heavy howitzer of the allies in the deep snow on the western front.

**T. B. ARANT, WAXHAW MAN,
IS A CAPTIVE IN GERMANY**

His Sister, Mrs. M. S. Ashley, Who Didn't Know Whether He was Living or Dead, Received Word to This Effect.

(From the Waxhaw Enterprise.)

Mrs. M. S. Ashley has heard through the Red Cross national headquarters at Washington that her brother, Mr. T. B. Arant, is a prisoner of war at Brandenburg, Germany. He was captured off a British merchant vessel about a year ago. Mrs. Ashley had not heard from her brother for nearly a year and she did not know whether he was alive or not, and the news that he was is a great relief to her. Mr. Arant spent several months her with Mrs. Ashley about three years ago, an dis a citizen of Waxhaw as this is the last place he registered in the United States.

The Monroe Journal says that the political pot is bubbling. The Journal surmises that R. W. Lemmond and M. C. Long will enter the race again for their offices of clerk of court and register of deeds. In this end of the county it is generally understood that they can have their places as long as they want them. The candidates for other offices are not so easily picked out. J. N. Price will probably make the race for State senate. J. V. Griffith and T. C. Lee may contest for sheriff's office.

In the race for representative the water is muddy and no one can tell yet what it will show when it clears up. John Vann will probably run; Jerre Laney is considering it and the usual two or three dozen later developments will probably make a lengthy ballot.

Miss Essie Neely, daughter of Mr. W. P. Neely of this place, was married to Mr. C. L. Whisnant in Charlotte last Saturday. The marriage was at the manse of Tenth Avenue Presbyterian church and was performed by Dr. Sibley, the pastor. Mrs. Whisnant is a very charming young lady. For several years she has been head bookkeeper at the Western Union Telegraph Company in Charlotte. The groom also held a responsible position with the Western Union.

Farmers who were unable to get their cotton picked out until after all the bad December and January weather and those who are buying seed cotton to have ginned, are finding market conditions very unsatisfactory. The price of good white cotton is holding up all right and there is a steady demand for it, but there is no demand for these deep stains, commonly known as "dog tail." Few mills in this section can use it and the embargoes on railroads make it impossible to ship it to a good market. While good cotton is worth around 32 cents a pound, this low grade is bringing anywhere from 21 to 27 cents a pound, and is sometimes hard to sell at any price. Many of the fellows who have been buying up lots of seed cotton are losing money on it.

Mr. J. E. Bigham has been buying seed cotton in little lots and having it ginned up when he gets a bale. He said Saturday that he was going to quit buying cotton pretty soon and buy War Savings Stamps. Mr. Bigham said his little folks had some money they made picking cotton and he overheard them talking about how they would spend it the other day, when he told them that they could spend half of it that way but must buy war stamps with the rest. If parents generally would encourage the children to invest in the thrift stamps or war savings stamps the total aggregate savings would help to win the war.

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- T. P. Dillon
- Flow & Phifer
- Franklin Street Pharmacy
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- Lee & Lee Co.
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- The W. J. Rudge Co.
- Snyder-Huntley Co.
- C. N. Simpson, Jr.
- N. D. Saleeby
- Tharpe Hardware & Mfg. Co.
- Union Drug Company
- Heath-Morrow Company

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 No. 7—J. T. Cox
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Correspondence of The Journal.
 Trinity, Feb. 21.—Mrs. Ida Laney has returned from a month's visit to her daughter, Mrs. Maggie Lee Byrd of Angelus, S. C. She reports a good time.

Mrs. Ward Laney visited her father, Mr. Krauss Nelson, in Lancaster county last week.

People in the cyclone district have had a hard time rebuilding their homes. Mr. J. O. Baker has completed a new house on the spot where his old home, which was demolished, stood. His neighbors helped him in the work several days. Mr. Ben Deese, who lived in the section which only an edge of the cyclone struck, has since built him a new house to be damaged. Mrs. R. W. A. Rogers, ly injured. Mrs. R. W. A. Rogers, and Mr. T. C. Eubanks, whose homes were also destroyed, have bought lumber, but owing to the bad weather, have been unable to make much headway towards the completion of new dwelling houses. During the past few days, however, work has been progressing rapidly. Mr. Eubanks gave the contract for his new two-story house to Mr. Ira Blek, and Mr. John Belk of Charlotte was awarded the contract to build Mrs. Rogers a neat little bungalow.

There has been a number of changes in our section lately. Mr. Edgar Cox has sold his place to a South Carolina gentleman by the name of McNamms. Mr. Cox has bought and moved in the Mountain Springs neighborhood. Mr. McNamms has already moved to the Cox place. Mr. Joe Threath, who lived on the V. T. Chears place, has moved to Georgia. Mr. Jenkins of the Philadelphia community has moved to the place vacated by Mr. Threath. Mr. John Thomas has acquired the B. F. Mangum place. Mr. R. L. Belk has bought the old J. H. Laney place, and Mr. B. H. Mangum has purchased the Mrs. Delpha Belk place. Mr. W. L. Starnes has sold his old home to Mr. B. H. Mangum, and in turn, has bought a place from the Yandle heirs and Mr. Estridge. Other transfers have taken place in this section besides those mentioned above.

Cupid has been absent from social affairs in this community of late. There has been a general indoor cotton picking this winter, and is yet the program after the third meal, or from 6 to 9. The bolls are gathered in the day, and hauled to the house. That night so many basket fulls must be picked before any sleep is allowed. Of course we have a big log fire burning all the time. It has been too cold to pick in the fields this winter, and some method had to be adopted to save the cotton when it is worth so much. Bob Morrow says that all the cotton should be picked if the bolls had to be cracked with a hammer. I agree with him, though I'd rather the other fellow would do the cracking an dthe picking.

The folks have started talking politics, and I'll probably have something to say about the situation next week. Also want to speak a few words for the War Savings Stamps.—Bill Arp.

Germany makes a raft of singles, doubles, and three-baggers, but somehow most of her men are left out on the bases.—Honolulu Star Bulletin.

A writer says that the man who trusts another educates him. If he keeps on trusting he will also add to his own stock of knowledge.

When a man is dressed in a little brief authority he is even more conspicuous than a woman in the present style of abbreviated skirt.

WITH WAR CONDITIONS

before us we must make the efforts of our lives to do our bit. We must raise more and better crops, give attention to raising live stock. We may expect big prices for all we raise. I have just added one of the very best crush mills that grinds corn on the cob, velvet beans in the hull, oats, cotton seed, etc. By having your feed crushed you will save one-fourth. My corn mill will run every Saturday. We are prepared to make corn flour and the very best of meal. We keep a general line of general merchandise. We want to buy your chickens, eggs, corn, peas, fodder, hay or anything you have to sell. Will pay the highest market price, cash or trade.

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