

Mount Airy News.

Mount Airy, N. C., October 24, 1918.

Dr. R. J. Lovill, formerly of this city, is now with the army in France. He went over a short time ago.

Word has been received that Israel T. McCreeary, son of Mr. A. Z. McCreeary has arrived in France.

Mrs. M. A. Jones has returned from a visit to relatives in Washington, D. C., who were ill of influenza.

Mr. Truman Woodruff, of Fairfax, Va., was a business visitor in the city Wednesday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Matt Hines, of Route 5, last week a daughter.

Mr. Joe Snow is this week moving to the Kapp house on Willow street after living for two years on a farm two miles west of the city.

Robert Reese, student of the Wake Forest Training school visited his parents Dr. and Mrs. R. W. Reese in this city the first of this week.

Captain T. B. McCargo, of Raleigh, spent Sunday and Monday here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. McCargo, Sr.

Because of illness in his home Dr. R. W. Reese will not open his office for the present, and until he does get back into business those who have accounts with him are requested to make payment at once.

Mrs. Merlin Sparger of Penns Grove, N. J., who has been visiting her mother in North Wilkesboro arrived Friday to visit Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Sparger in this city.

Mrs. Geo. Hardison who has been with Mrs. Absher's children, during Mrs. Absher's absence at her husband's bed side at Camp Eustes, Va., was called to Winston-Salem Saturday by her husband's illness.

Citizens who have changed residence so that they will this year vote in a different precinct must register before they can vote. Saturday is the last day of registration.

Miss Josie Ashby of Richmond Va. who has been nursing her brother-in-law, Major D. C. Absher at Camp Eustes, Va., arrived Saturday to stay with Major Absher's children until his condition permits Mrs. Absher's return.

Mr. and Mrs. — Hege who live near Winston-Salem arrived Sunday to be with their son, Dr. H. R. Hege who is ill with influenza. Mrs. Dr. Hege was called to Baltimore a week ago by the death of her sister and has since lost a brother and is sick herself.

Mr. J. L. Harrison left Friday afternoon for New York, called there by the illness of Mr. John Marion who has pneumonia. Mr. Marion entered Columbia University, N. Y. several weeks ago to train for military service. Friends of Mr. Marion will be glad to know that he is improving.

Capt. W. A. Jackson is at home for a time as the result of sickness. He has been for some months in charge of a truck train at one of the large camps and was taken sick and came home. Captain Jackson has been where the large operations are going on, and it looks to him like this country is in for at least another year of the war. He is not expecting the present peace drive being made by Germany to amount to much.

Work of Surry Women.

Now that the campaign for the Fourth Liberty Loan is successfully ended, Surry's quota having been over subscribed by more than \$11,000. I wish to publicly acknowledge my appreciation of the splendid efforts of the various Township Committees, and to thank our citizens for their subscriptions through the Womens Liberty Loan Committees. Despite the epidemic of Influenza, which so greatly hindered our work, the homes of many of our workers having been invaded by the disease during the days allotted, our sales amounted to \$114,850. The patriotic zeal which prompted our women to devote their time and energy to this work for their Government shows their willingness to make any sacrifice necessary for a speedier ending of the war and saving the lives of Surry County boys.

Again thanking each one who assisted in the work of the Womens Liberty Loan.

Very sincerely,  
Mrs. Porter Graves.

Card of Appreciation.

Through The News I wish to express to the local fire company my appreciation for the splendid work they did in the fire that destroyed my office and threatened to consume the entire building. I feel that without the heroism and personal risk that the members exposed themselves to that the loss would have been much greater. The big fire engine also proved itself to be worth more than its cost for without it the company would have been at a serious disadvantage.  
Dr. R. W. Reese.

Business Change.

Mr. W. W. Thomas has sold a half interest in his store to Mr. Ora Roberts and the firm name in the future will be W. W. Thomas & Company. Mr. Roberts has been with Mr. F. M. Poore as salesman for 15 years and is known as one of the most reliable and competent salesmen in the city.

Is he a Slacker?

A young man was caught playing dice in a warehouse one day last week and the officer got him. After being locked up he gave his name as Clyde Bundy and his home at Huntington, W. Va. A message from that city said no such man was registered there. He had told the officers that he was registered and that he was in class 4. When shown the telegram he gave the officer another place of residence and another name for himself. All of which places him under suspicion as being a slacker. In the meantime he is being held in the city lockup to await further investigation.

A Distressing Mistake.

A mistake that is out of the ordinary was made when the body of Lonny Jones was shipped from Chester, Penn., one day last week. The young man died in that city and his mother was with him at the time. She gave his clothes to the undertaker and came home expecting the remains to follow on the same train. A week went by and finally the body was delivered here last Thursday. Friends noticed that the features did not resemble the deceased as he was remembered by them. Then some one recalled that Lonnie Jones had lost a finger from one of his hands, and on examination the remains proved to be those of some other person. Evidently in handling many bodies the undertaker got confused and sent the wrong body here. Mr. Jones wired back for any information that would locate the body of his son, but after several days waiting the tangle has not been yet straightened out. At this writing it has not been decided what disposition will be made of the body sent here. It was embalmed and is in the care of the local undertaker.

LOST—A white small terrier dog with short tail and brown ears, answers to name of Tip. Liberal reward for his return. William Owens, Lebanon Street, Mount Airy. 3t-p

CARD OF THANKS

We desire to thank our many friends in Mount Airy for their kindness and service to us during our recent bereavement. May God bless you all. Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Sewell.

England Won't Return Germany Her Colonies.

London, Oct. 23.—In no circumstances is it consistent with the safety, secured and unity of the British empire that Germany's colonies should be returned to her, declared A. J. Balfour, the British foreign secretary, in a speech at the luncheon of the Australian and New Zealand club today.

Mr. Balfour said it was absolutely essential that the communications of the British empire should remain safe. He asked if the German colonies were returned what security was there that their original possessors would not use them as bases for piratical warfare.

The doctrine that the colonies should not be returned, Mr. Balfour claimed, was not selfish and imperialistic. It was one in which the interests of the world were almost as much concerned as the interests of the empire itself. If the empire was to remain united it was absolutely necessary that communication between the various parts should be at the mercy of an unscrupulous power.

Tax Notice.

The tax for the town for the year 1917 that is not paid by November 1, will be advertised for collection.  
J. L. BANNER,  
City Tax Collector.

SURRY COUNTY GOES OVER THE TOP WITH THE FOURTH LIBERTY LOAN.

Surry County again showed its patriotism by over subscribing the Fourth Liberty Loan. Below is given the amount allotted each bank and the amount each bank subscribed:

	Allot.	Sub.
Surry Co. L. & T. Co., Dobson.....	\$ 7,500	\$ 7,500
Elkin National Bank, Elkin.....	105,800	112,000
Farmers & Merchants Bank, Elkin.....	21,900	18,000
Bank of Mount Airy, Mount Airy.....	114,200	127,500
First National Bank, Mount Airy.....	112,500	130,750
Surry Co. L. & T. Co., Mt. Airy.....	3,800	3,800
Bank of Pilot Mountain, Pilot Mountain.....	43,100	22,550
	408,800	421,900

The large majority of the subscriptions came from the towns and very few from the country.

It is a matter of great satisfaction to all that our quota of bonds was over sold and we are able to hold up our heads before all the world. This was made possible only on account of the hard work and sacrifice made by the bankers and others who worked hard against great obstacles but continued to "carry on" until the end sought was accomplished. The ladies, especially, under the capable leadership of Mrs. S. P. Graves, worked most faithfully, many of them with sickness in their homes, and were successful in selling bonds to the amount of \$114,850, or 27 per cent of the entire amount.

E. H. KOCHTITZKY,  
Chairman Surry County, Fourth Liberty Loan.

POISON GAS SHIP RACES WITH U-BOAT.

Destroyer Arrived just in Time to Save it From Submarine.

Edward M. Thierry, special correspondent of the Baltimore Sun, furnishes his paper the following story from Paris, 16th.

A poison ship is the strangest vessel that has come out of America to help beat the Hun. The tale of its voyage of thrills has come from an American naval base at a French port.

Several thousand huge steel drums, containing gallons of the most deadly poison gas ever made, were on board. The drums of death held enough poison gas to kill the whole German army. What if a torpedo struck the ship or a submarine's shell ripped a hole in one of those drums?

On board the poison ship there was a gas mask drill daily. Thousands of miles from the trenches, in the midst of the ocean, there was the strange sight of a gas mask drill.

Every member of the crew and every officer had been taught how to sling the flat bag over the shoulder; how to snatch it around and hook it under the chin at the first warning of danger; how to snap the "clothespin" closing both nostrils; how to grip the mouthpiece between the teeth, and how to breathe through the tube.

They had a drill like that three times a day. And on the tenth day there was engine trouble and the poison ship had to drop behind. Then just at the end of the evening gas mask drill, came a submarine, 9,000 yards astern!

The poison ship was limping along at six or seven knots, and the U-boat was coming to the surface and manning its guns. The captain of the poison ship shouted orders to open fire with the stern gun, to S. O. S. for help, and to tell the chief engineer the crippled engines would have to respond immediately or the poison ship was done for.

Shots fell astern. The submarine was gaining. Shells came whining nearer. And the shots from the defense guns were falling short.

Then came wireless word that a destroyer, just over the horizon, was speeding to the rescue. Every man on the poison ship had his gas masks hooked under his chin, in the "alert" position. And every one was praying that no German shell would dent one of the drums of death.

Suddenly a miracle happened. The starboard engines came to life! The poison ship shot ahead. From seven knots she jumped to ten and to eleven and to twelve.

It was just in time. Shells from the approaching submarine were falling only 200 yards astern. In another five minutes they would have been rattling among the drums of death.

It was a race now between the poison ship and the U-boat. For 15 minutes it was a dead heat, the shells of the poison ship's stern gun and of the U-boat just barely missing the respective targets. Then the smoke smudge of a destroyer appeared on the horizon. The destroyer was streaking to the poison ship's aid at 30 knots an hour. And she came just in time; too late, though to get the submerging U-boat.

Influenza Cautions.

1. Avoid needless crowding; influenza is a crowd disease.
2. Smother your coughs and sneezes; others do not want the germs which you would throw away.
3. Your nose, not your mouth, was made to breathe through. Get the habit.
4. Remember the three Cs—a clean mouth, a clean skin, and clean clothes.
5. Try to keep cool when you walk and warm when you ride and sleep.
6. Open the windows always at home at night; at the office when practicable.
7. Your fate may be in your hands; wash your hands before eating.—Surgeon General Gorgas of the U. S. Army.

Planters Warehouse

For the Sale of Leaf Tobacco

Mount Airy, N. C.

To our Friends and Patrons:

We desire to call your attention to the fact that all grades of tobacco are selling better this week than they did last week due to the tobacco being in better keeping condition and more of the rare companies represented.

We want to ask all of our customers to have the tobacco in a good keeping condition, what you would consider too dry to sell. You can get from \$3.00 to \$5.00 per hundred more for your tobacco if the stems will break when you go to load it.

One of our buyers showed us a letter this week stating that he must not buy tobacco that would not keep for two weeks. So you see from this why we are asking you to sell your tobacco dry and sell your first primings just as soon as you can.

We personally appeal to you to give us an opportunity to assist you in selling your tobacco this year for the highest price possible.

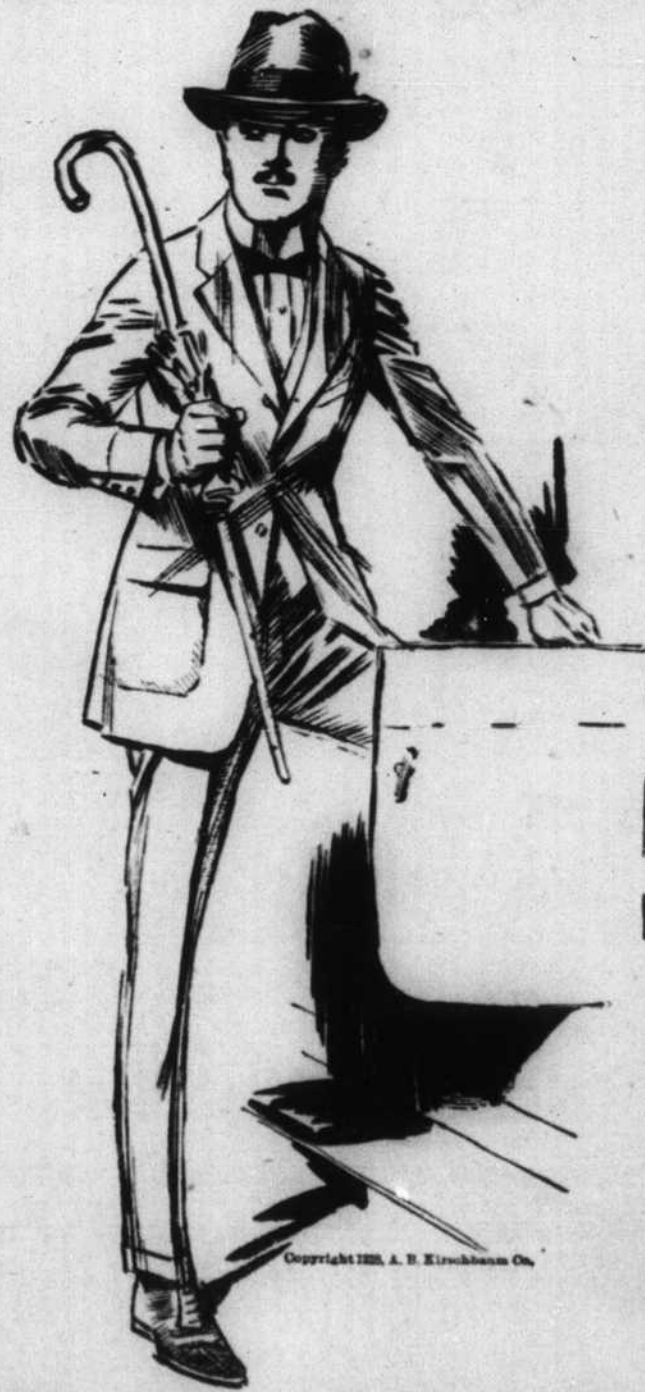
Appreciating your past patronage, we are, as in the past always ready and anxious to serve you.

Your Friends,

Haynes, Brown & Haynes.

Clothing FOR Men & Boys

We are receiving new clothing for men and boys every day and we have the stock and the values, we have several hundred suits of men and boys clothing carried over from last fall at the old price. We handle nothing but up-to-date clothing and furnishing goods. Our clothing receiving now orders were placed for these a year ago therefore we are way under the market. For price and quality see us quick for clothing will be twice as high by Christmas. We have every thing in wearing line men and boys.



Come See Us

Lundy's Clothing Store