



## THE SUN HAS THE LARGEST CIRCULATION OF ANY WEEKLY IN THE TENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

### NEW ENTERPRISES IN RUTHERFORDTON

#### Cafe, Garage, Jewelry And Barber Shops And Grocery Firm For County Seat.

Rutherfordton has begun to grow again. Several new firms are opening this month among which we note the following.

The Motor Sales Company of Rutherfordton, composed of Mr. J. L. Taylor and attorney M. L. Edwards, has purchased the C. C. Reid store room on the West side of Main street and is converting it into an automobile garage and show-room at which place they will sell automobiles. They are now stocking up their building with Dodge Brothers cars, Hupmobiles, Mitchell Sixes, and a line of trucks. They will also keep a good line of supplies and parts for the cars which they sell.

Mr. Edwards' time being entirely consumed by his law practice will have no active part in the business except to look after the purchasing and book part of the work which will be done in his office largely by his stenographer. Mr. Taylor will devote considerable time to the sales part of the work and a competent man will be put in charge of the business in the show room and garage department to serve their customers, make demonstrations, and handle the supply department.

These gentlemen are handling splendid lines, are both good business men and we predict for them a successful business, and are glad to see this new enterprise opening up in our midst. Be sure to read their ad in this issue.

Simpson's Cafe is the name of a new firm with Mr. Claude L. Simpson as owner and proprietor in the Allen stand, on main street. Mr. Simpson has been in the cafe business for many years, having worked in Asheville, Salisbury, Concord, Wilmington and Spartanburg. He will have a cafe for ladies and gentlemen, with private dining tables for ladies. He will have all the latest equipment, including electric lights, fans and piano. He will have a one hundred per cent sanitary kitchen. His equipment will include a French drip coffee urn, which is the only one in the county. Mr. Simpson will open up this week and we hope that this new enterprise will succeed. We welcome him to the town. Be sure to read his ad in this issue and call in and see his place of business.

Geer-Hensley Grocery Company, is another firm which has opened up on main street near Bear's Shoe Shop with Mr. A. L. Hensley as manager. The owners of the firm are Messrs. C. F. and R. P. Geer and A. L. Hensley. Mr. Hensley was formerly an employee of R. P. Geer & Sons firm and for the last ten months has been mail carrier on Rutherfordton, R-3. This new grocery firm will specialize in heavy groceries such as flour, feeds and grain. They will have a city delivery. The prospects for this firm are very good and we predict for it much success and welcome it to our town.

Mr. James A. Tillman, of Asheville will open up a jewelry sales and repair shop in the C. C. Reid building the latter part of this month. Mr. Tillman will sell watches, clocks and a full line of jewelry. He will make a specialty of repairing. Mr. Tillman has been in the jewelry business for 19 years and knows it thoroughly. He is a native of McDowell county and lived in Cleveland county for seven years. We also welcome Mr. and Mrs. Tillman to our town and hope them much continued success which they deserve. Watch for his ad soon.

Mr. K. L. Epley, of Spartanburg, opened a new barber shop in the basement of Carpenter's Variety Store last week. Mr. Epley has had several years' experience in the barber business. He has good equipment and we are sure that he will succeed in his new venture. Mrs. Epley is the daughter of Mr. J. M. Taylor, who lives near town and is well known in this part of the county.

Miss M. Black opened a millinery store last week in the Flack Building, formerly five and ten cent store with Miss Laura Abrams as manager. They have an up-to-date line of spring hats on display that will go at a bargain. Watch for their ad.

Rutherfordton is in full view of Tryon and the Blue Ridge Mountains which includes Chimney Rock, Hickorynut Gap, Mt. Mitchell, Bald Moun-

tain, Black Mountain, Cherry and South Mountains. Many hundreds of people visit here in the summer passing to and from the mountains. If we had the hotel and boarding house accommodations we would have hundreds of visitors here for the summer and winter.

Rutherfordton has an excellent opportunity for a spoke, handle and shuttle factory, chair factory, knitting mill, overall and shirt factory, broom factory and many other enterprises. Rutherfordton is on the Charlotte-Asheville Highway, one of the main thoroughfares of the State. Following is the distance from Rutherfordton to the main towns and cities of this part of the county. To Charlotte, 80 miles; Kings Mountain, 44; Shelby, 28; Chimney Rock, 21; Hendersonville, 30; Asheville, 47; Marion, 25; Tryon, 25; Landrum, 24; and Spartanburg, 34. With good roads, which are sure to come and other improvements in the town there is no reason why Rutherfordton should not be one of the most beautiful and growing towns in this part of the state.

This seems to be the year for growth and development and we are glad to see the capital city of the county waking up.

### FOUGHT TEN DAYS

#### Forest City Boy In Last Of War Anxious For Home

The following letter was received by Miss Leila Webb of Forest City, from her brother, Mr. Claude Webb, who is with the American Expeditionary Force in France:

Still in France,  
December 26, 1918

Dear Sister:—  
I thought at the time the armistice was signed I would be at home by this time, but our time has not come yet. I hope we will be on our way soon. I thought before the armistice was signed that I would not mind staying over here so bad, but it seems that I am more anxious to get home now than when we were fighting.

I have just received two letters from you dated December 3rd. You can imagine how glad I was to hear from home. There is one good thing about staying over here now, and that is we are not expecting to be called out into service any day, to go into battle or move to a different dug-out or to some place and dig in. I went into battle on the first day of November and fought, knocked and traveled for ten days. Then we started back and hiked for three days before we came to the place where we started. We ended the hike on November 30th, just 190 miles across the country. All this was the reason I did not write.

I have certainly been interested in reading The Sun. It was so thoughtful of you to send it to me. Quite a lot of things happen that I would never know if it were not for The Sun.

There was quite a contrast in the way I spent Christmas this year and one year ago. Although we had a good time and a good dinner. After mess we listened to a few words from our officers, we also looked onto some stunts done by the privates. We enjoyed ourselves for about two hours; but all of us were thinking of home. Each one of the speakers, after making a short talk, would wind up like this: "I wish you all a merry Christmas and a happy new year and hope that you will all be at home soon." I have not received my Christmas box yet, but I suppose it will soon come in.

Do not stop writing me until you see me at home, for it might be in a month and it might be four months, so write just the same.

Your brother,  
CLAUDE WEBB.

—Mr. J. B. Clingman, Maintenance Highwayman of the Western North Carolina District was in town last Friday night on his way to Shelby, Stopping at the Central Hotel.

—Mr. W. W. Grayson, formerly with the Levi Department Stores is now manager of the furniture department of the Spindale Store, at Spindale.

—Thompson-Watkins, local druggists, have installed an electric piano recently which adds much to the comfort and amusement of their patrons.

The dropping out of Russia probably saved President Wilson the trouble of journeying to Moscow.

### PUBLIC DEBATE HELD FEBRUARY 7

#### Misses Taylor, Dalton, McRorie And Mr. Walter Taylor Selected.

A large audience heard the public debate in the Rutherfordton High School auditorium last Friday night at eight o'clock. It was the final preliminary to decide who would represent the high school in the triangular debate. The debate was very good and the young orators showed much work, preparation and determination. They are a credit to the school, town and county. So far as we know they are the only debaters in the county in the North Carolina Debating Union and they deserve the hearty support of everyone.

The query discussed was, Resolved, That the Government of the United States Should Adopt a Policy of Requiring One Year's Military Training for All Able Bodied Men Before They Reach Twenty-One. Affirmative speakers, Misses Bertha McRorie, Beatrice Levi and Mr. Walter Taylor. Negative, Misses Mildred Taylor, Effie Dalton and Sherman Rollins. After careful and very close consideration Miss McRorie and Mr. Taylor were selected on the affirmative and Misses Taylor and Dalton on the negative. Judges to decide the debate were: Messrs. D. B. Johnson, O. C. Erwin and Rev. F. E. Alleyne while Rev. T. C. Jordan, attorney N. C. Harris and editor R. E. Price were judge to select the speakers.

The debate was held under the auspices of the Excelsior and Sororian Literary Societies, the former for boys and the latter for girls. Miss Lois Yelton was president, Mr. Howard Hamrick was secretary and Mr. Lewis Reid was chaplain. The exercises were opened by scripture reading by the chorists, then the audience sang, "America," and were led in prayer by the chaplain. During the time that the judges were out, Misses Sarah Cowan and Josie Morrow entertained the audience with charming piano solos. A feature of the evening was the enthusiastic "yells" given by the students in behalf of their fellow students and debaters.

The triangular debate in which Rutherfordton takes part will be announced soon.

### HEALTH CRUSADE

#### The Junior Red Cross Begins Health Crusade At Once.

The Junior Red Cross members are to begin at once their work in the "Modern Health Crusade." The director of the junior membership in the Southern Division has asked the helpful co-operation of chairmen and secretaries of the chapter school committees as well as of school principals and teachers throughout the territory. In view of the health program, which is to cover a period of sixteen weeks the "Modern Health Crusade" should be clearly understood and its purposes fully appreciated.

The need for such a movement is manifest; the fact that 30 per cent. of the young manhood of the country were rejected as being unfit for military service because of some physical defect and the further fact that six million school children in the country, out of fifteen million were below normal weight and three out of every four children were suffering from some physical defect which could have been prevented, all point to the urgent necessity for some steps to be taken to change this condition.

The school children of today constitute the force that must be employed to prevent a continuation and increase of this deplorable situation. Hence the "Modern Health Crusade" is to be undertaken, and it provides for a thoroughly practical list of so-called "health chores" to be performed by the children in a competitive plan which creates and sustains interest in the work.

Full instructions in pamphlet form may be secured by application to the Department of Junior Members, Red Cross, Healey, Building, Atlanta.

—Mr. J. B. Whitesides, of Mayfield, Ga., was in the county last week visiting relatives and friends. He is a son of Mr. W. M. Whitesides, of Uree, one of the oldest and most prominent citizens in the county.

### WATCH THE "HUMP"

#### Subscriptions And Renewals Continue To Come In.

The "Hump" continues to grow. During the past week 104 names were added to The Sun's rapidly growing list. The following are the names:

Rutherfordton	
H. B. Morgan	\$ .50
Mrs. J. F. Arrowood	1.50
O. F. Briscoe, R-2	.50
J. C. Copeland	1.50
Andrew Johnson, R-1	.75
W. D. Ferree	.50
W. A. Geer, R-4	.75
L. S. Nash, R-1	.50
J. M. Taylor, R-3	.50
J. J. Geer, R-4	1.50
G. W. Long, R-4	.50
Mrs. W. L. McFadden, R-2	1.50
J. A. Tillman	.75
P. T. Goforth, R-4	1.50
John Earley, R-3	.50
Hicks-Hill, R-2	.50
Zolan Clements, R-4	.50
C. E. Justice	.50
P. W. Owens, R-1	1.00
R. P. Cochran, R-4	.75
B. J. Wright	.75
J. A. Mitchem, R-4	1.50
W. A. Johnston, R-1	.75
E. G. Hutchins, R-1	.75
Forest City	
L. C. Gross, R-2	\$ .50
O. Morrow, R-2	.50
J. M. Padgett, R-1	.75
W. L. McDaniel, R-1	1.50
E. H. Dalton, R-2	1.00
V. G. Lynch	1.00
T. J. Ross	.75
William Moore	.50
J. H. Price, R-3	1.50
Alice Queen	1.00
Horace L. Green, R-2	1.50
Mrs. Ollie Harris	.50
Harris R-1	
W. F. Duncan	\$ .75
F. B. Stanley	.50
C. O. Painter	.50
R. R. Henson	1.50
P. D. Lamp	1.50
W. H. Henderson	1.50
A. L. Robbins	1.50
Viola Hester	.40
J. H. Henderson	.75
A. B. Tanner	1.50
D. C. Ridings	1.50
Hicks Wilkins	.75
R. F. Hines	.75
T. E. Randall	.75
Frank Hines	.75
M. A. Harrison	.75
Mrs. W. P. Wilkie	1.50
W. M. Ridings	1.50
J. H. Gilbert	.75
M. L. Martin	1.50
A. M. Crawford	1.50
Bostic	
M. D. Carson, R-3	\$1.50
E. Daves, R-3	.75
C. Y. Brady, R-3	.75
C. D. Earley, R-2	.75
D. C. Toney, R-4	.40
M. G. Crow, R-4	.75
Ed Thompson, R-1	1.50
Ed Mooney, R-4	1.50
Grover Davis, R-1	.75
Ellenboro	
W. B. Dobbins, R-2	\$1.00
W. A. Bridges, R-2	1.50
J. A. Martin	.50
R. P. Walker, R-3	1.50
Oscar Padgett, R-2	1.50
B. F. Murray, R-3	.75
Gilkey	
W. J. Walker	\$ .75
E. A. Vickers	.75
W. D. Lawing	.75
J. D. Fincannon	.75
Union Mills	
Z. T. Mills	\$ .40
E. F. Johnson	.75
J. V. Morgan, R-1	1.50
A. W. Hall, R-1	1.00
Peter Koon, R-1	1.50
Uree	
James Freeman, R-1	\$1.50
Henry Logan, R-1	1.50
James Melton, R-2	1.50
A. H. Lynch, R-2	1.50
Mrs. Sam Williams, R-1	1.00
Cherokee, S. C.	
G. W. Vess, R-3	\$1.50
J. E. Cudd, R-1	.50
J. A. McCraw, R-3	.75
J. B. Wilson, R-1	.75
Miscellaneous	
J. B. Whitesides, Maryfield, Ga.	\$3.00
Dr. T. A. Wilkins, Gastonia	1.50
Leonard Morgan, Camp Jackson, S. C.	.50
H. C. Gettys, Rosewell, N. M.	1.00
Jas. W. Bridges, France	.50
B. L. White, Campbell, S. C.	1.50
J. S. Hampton, Green Hill	.75
Mrs. J. M. Lewis, Mill Spring	1.50
Z. V. Daves, Hollis	.75
Clyde T. Wilkins, Raleigh	.50
C. F. Geer, Asheville	.75
C. D. Fincannon, Connelly S.	.40
Pearl Flack, Columbia, S. C.	.75
Total	\$101.10

### A MOUNTAIN BOY PAYS FOR EDUCATION

#### Joe Pyatte Pays For His Education In Corn Club Work

(Special to Charlotte Observer) NEWLAND, N. C., Feb. 11.—Joe Pyatte, of Avery county, is one of the successful corn club boys of the State. Previous to beginning club work, he had never known any of the advanced theories of better farming, and though he was 13 years old, had never been away from home but one night in his life. His father was poor and was unable to give him spending money or even to send him to school.

But early in 1918 he heard of the corn clubs as conducted by Mr. C. A. Ledford, the county agent of Avery county, and made application to join. Mr. Ledford encouraged him in this work, giving him advice and assistance wherever possible, and Joe planted his acre, using only commercial fertilizer, giving the land a good application at time of planting, and another as top-dressing later in the summer. He then cultivated the crop with a small tooth-cultivator four or five times during the season, making a yield in the fall of approximately 51 bushels at a cost of 75 cents per bushel. In this cost he reckoned the rent paid his father for the land, wages for his own labor, and cost of using the team during the time needed. Corn was selling from \$1.66 to \$1.75 per bushel in the county, and, figuring Joe's corn as worth \$1.75 per bushel, he made a net profit of \$60.66 on his acre.

Using money from his club acre, he is attending school at Bakersville, in Mitchell county, trying to get a fundamental education. He did this after the public school near by had been closed on account of influenza. According to Mr. Ledford, this action by Joe Pyatte shows the kind of determination that is needed to succeed in the club work, because Joe joined the club under protest, people saying that he could not make any good yield of corn on the high cultivation, his farm being about 3,500 feet above sea-level. His people also protested against his leaving home to attend school.

"It is true," says Mr. Ledford, "that this boy has not reached or accomplished any great thing as yet, but he is happily on his way, and is doing what he can for his future success in life."

### War Savings Stamps Are Not Transferable

The Sun has received the following notice from Hon. Carter Glass, Secretary of the United States Treasury which should be read and carefully heeded.

"War Savings Certificates, series of 1919, are not transferable and will be payable only to the respective owners named thereon, except in the case of the death or disability of any such owner."

"It will not be lawful for any one person at any time to hold War Savings Certificates of any one series to an aggregate amount exceeding \$1,000 (maturity value)."

In order that the interests of owners of War Savings Certificate Stamps of either series may be safeguarded, I hereby notify all persons to refrain from offers to buy War Savings Stamps or accept same in trade.

The Post Office Department, co-operating with the Treasury Department, has issued instructions whereby payment will be refused whenever it is apparent that changes have been made in the name of the original owner of any certificate which may be presented to post office redemption.

### Detroit Visitor Here

Mr. Robert C. Davis of Detroit, Michigan, is here on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Davis of near Broad river. He stopped with his aunt, Mrs. R. W. Davis of the Davis house, this city Saturday. He says that the automobile business in Detroit will be normal again in about 8 weeks. There are from 60,000 to 70,000 men out of employment in Detroit due to the change from government to private contracts; on account of steel supplies not being regular and returning soldiers hunting for work. The automobile firms give the soldiers the first chance on a good job.

Mr. Davis' many friends are glad to see him in his native county again.

—Mr. Wyeth Peyton, Division State Highway Engineer of Asheville was in town Friday night, stopping at the Central Hotel.

### COMMISSIONERS MET LAST MONDAY

#### Important Doings Of The County Commissioners — Bonds Paid Off.

The county commissioners met last week and transacted the usual business. After paying the salary of the various county officers we note the following orders:

- J. M. Padgett, \$12.36 for services as registrar of election in High Shoals township.
  - J. L. Hamrick, \$20, burial expense of Emily J. Hamrick, pensioner.
  - Mrs. W. G. Trout, released of \$23.34 taxes of 1918.
  - W. A. Owens, \$20, burial expense Judia P. Owens, pensioner
  - C. E. Hill, \$4.00 for work on court house.
  - J. F. Flack, \$20.38 for coal for county.
  - Levi Department stores, \$11.25 for goods for jail.
  - J. M. Walker, \$8.50 for pipes and sewerage work at court house.
  - J. L. Souther, \$15.00 for winding clock for 1918.
  - J. W. Beason, \$117.40 jail fees for January.
  - G. W. Wood, \$1.50 for supplies furnished Pantha Webb for January.
  - Rutherford County Telephone Co., \$21.30 for rent from August 20th to Feb. 1st.
  - Robinson Company, \$22.00 for goods for county home.
  - Robinson Company \$3.95 for goods for county jail.
  - J. W. Beason, \$18 for carrying Ben Arrowood to State Hospital.
  - J. F. Flack, \$27.82 for coal due county.
  - Dr. J. C. Twitty, \$35.00 for services as quarantine officer for December.
  - H. L. Carpenter, \$11.30 for goods furnished county home.
  - Simon Wright, \$4.00 care of orphan children.
  - G. E. Morgan, \$6.00, judge election in Gilkey township.
  - A. S. Harrill, \$3.00 for supplies to John Tesinir for December.
  - Pink Mode, \$15 for November, December and January and \$15.00 a month until revoked, also Dr. R. Hicks, \$4.00.
  - G. C. Smith, \$2.00 for judge election in Sulphur Springs township.
  - M. G. Crow, \$5 for agriculture report from Golden Valley township.
  - H. H. Horton, \$100 as superintendent of county home.
  - T. L. Flynn, \$4 for judge election in Chimney Rock township.
  - Miss Mary O'Keefe, \$16.67 for county's part of home demonstration work for January.
  - J. N. Castles, \$32 for burial of Robinson children.
  - James D. Watson, \$39 for burial expense Hovis people.
  - That county treasurer borrow \$1,000 from the Commercial Bank to be due August 9th, 1919.
  - J. F. Flack, county treasurer presented 46 coupons (bonds) on court house at \$27.50 each and \$3.16 exchange on same, total \$1268.16 same were cancelled.
  - County treasurer presented 6 bonds at \$50 each and 100 at \$22.50 each due January 1, 1919, total \$5250. Same were cancelled.
  - S. M. Beam, \$2 for holding election in November.
  - W. C. Twitty, \$13.80 for goods for county home.
  - W. C. Tate, \$25.50 for 17 months allowance to Lee Scott at \$1.50 per month.
  - Justice-Dobbins, \$39.08 for goods for county home.
  - C. E. Tanner, \$115 expense account for 1918.
- #### U. D. C. Meeting
- The United Daughters of the Confederacy will meet at the Iso-Thermal Hotel at three o'clock, Friday, February 21st. At this meeting the State and general tax of twenty-five cents for each member will be collected. Please remember the time and place.
- Mr. C. C. Proffitt, county demonstrator and Miss Mary O'Keefe, county canning agent, went to Raleigh last week to a convention of farm and home demonstration agents. They will return February 14th.
- Mr. E. L. Hedrick, deputy revenue collector, sent here by the government in the place of Mr. Chas. Stewart who goes elsewhere is in town now and his many friends are glad to see him.