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\$1.50 THE YEAR IN ADVANCE

CAMP CHATTER.

By Dan Tompkins

John Morris, or Sergeant Morris, I should say, went to town the other night and brought back with him a new and very important part of the equipment, or impedimenta of the Radio company in the shape of a cut down Ford, which he bought from some Sandlapper in Greenville. With a little work the thing developed into one of the "runningest" motors that ever hit the pike in South Carolina, since which time Sergeant Morris and Bob McKee have been having some good time a ridin'.

John Rogers was here the last of the week from Cullowhee, visiting his son, David Hugh.

Charles Grindstaff has returned to Camp from an extended, and extensive, five-day visit to Franklin, Dean, Sylva, Asheville and other towns, cities, villages and hamlets in the western end of North Carolina.

In the Camps you are greeted with little pieces of cardboard upon which are inscribed such phrases as "Eat to Live, Don't Live to Eat," "Shut It Off," "Don't Waste Anything," "Food is Ammunition—Don't Waste It," "Conservation Means Victory Waste Spells Defeat," and the like. By this and every other conceivable method the Government is trying to direct the attention of the people of this country to the imperative necessity of conservation, particularly of food, as well as the necessity of the nation bending every effort to bring the production of food during the coming season, to the very highest possible point. Here is a field in which everybody in our treble blessed mountain country can toil. The slogan of the mountains should be produce and save. The efforts of the past season were great, but necessity demands that even that splendid summer of toil must be exceeded. Our people can and will be self-supporting. They need draw on no other section for a portion of the world's limited supply of food. Every ounce of everything edible that the rich soil of the mountains, mixed with the brain and brawn of our people, can be made to bring forth must be produced. Raise everything that can be produced—and nothing must be allowed to go to waste. Today more than ever waste is sinful and idleness a crime.

Camp Sevier.

W. S. S.

SPRAY YOUR FRUIT TREES

Spray materials are going to be high this season, but the farmer can afford not to use them. So also are fertilizers expensive, but they are going to be used. Good care, tillage and spraying will pay this season as never before. Above all things, do not neglect spraying for the curculio and the codling moth this year. Wormy fruit is a waste at any time and is doubly so this season. Arsenate of lead and self-boiled lime-sulphur are the materials to use during the early season on apples, peaches and plums.

W. S. S.

DARK RIDGE TRESTLE BURNED

The Dark Ridge Trestle, between Willets and Balsam, burned Monday night, and it will be several days before trains will be able to run through to Asheville. The Railroad Co. is selling tickets from the west end to Willets and from Asheville to Balsam, and are not accepting any freight beyond Willets. Passengers are being transferred at their own expense from Willets to Balsam.

SUPT. OF INDIAN SCHOOL SAYS DOG LAW NEEDED

"I understand you are an unequivocal enemy of the worthless dog and for that, as well as other things, I'm your friend," said J. E. Henderson, superintendent of the Indian school at Cherokee, to the secretary of the board of trade yesterday morning. Continuing, Mr. Henderson said that they had 63,000 acres of fine land in the Indian reservation, and that perhaps 85 per cent was woodland, suitable for sheep raising, but that no sheep could be raised there because of the roving, uncontrolled, worthless dogs that infest the reservation. Only a few nights ago, he said, dogs broke into an inclosure and killed the only two sheep at the school.

"There are about 500 families on the reservation, and I should think that the average will be one dog at least to the family," said the superintendent, "which, you see, will mean a food consumption of equal value to one Indian, and what they destroy in eggs, poultry and the like, will probably amount to twice as much more, which all together constitutes a deplorable economic waste."

The Indians are taking a considerable interest in hog raising and a number more will be raised on the reservation than before. They are interested to, he said, in the war, and a few nights ago at an entertainment, raised an even \$100 for the Bryson City Red Cross for buying yarn.

Then, too, he said, we have about 60 of our Indian boys in the service, every branch of the service being represented. Several of the Asheville papers, both morning and afternoon, are being taken by Indians and they are considerably interested in the war news.

"We hope to get the bridge built soon, for which \$8,000 was recently appropriated, and this will help to get the road which is so badly needed through the reservation. One of the chief features of the claim for the bridge was made by Congressman Hayden's statement and Congressman Weaver's of the Indian affairs committee, as to the economical management of the school which cost but \$159 per person, while no other school in the United States was handled under a cost of \$200 per person."

Mr. Henderson has been in the city attending the Scottish Rite reunion.

The Indians, Mr. Henderson said, are taking a great deal of interest in farming, and are rapidly following the improved methods, the improvement being noted by people who pass through the reservation at different periods.—Asheville Times.

W. S. S.

FAIR DIRECTORS MEET

The directors of the Jackson Co. Fair met last Saturday and decided to have another Fair this fall. The dates set are September 24 to 27.

Officers elected for the coming year are C. C. Cowan, President, H. R. Snyder, V-Pres., A. J. Dills, Sec. and M. D. Cowan, Treas.

A committee was appointed to revise the premium list and get it in the hands of the printer at once so as to get it in the hands of the farmer much earlier this year.

The farmers should begin now to plan for the fair and plant their crops so as to raise the thing that they want to exhibit.

W. S. S.

HEROIC WOMEN OF FRANCE.



SECRETARY BAKER HAS CLOSE SHAVE

With the American Army in France, Tuesday, March 19.—Secretary Baker had his baptism of fire this morning in the front line trenches, and while he was returning a German shell burst within less than fifty yards of his motor car. He was not injured.

The secretary went into the trenches in a sector, the location of which must not be revealed, where American troops face the enemy nearby. For half an hour he glided over the duck boards. The Germans maintained an active fire with heavy pieces and machine guns. Nevertheless Mr. Baker made his way to an advanced sap, entered a listening post and talked for several minutes with the soldier on duty there.

W. S. S.

BOYS \$100 WORTH OF WAR SAVING STAMPS

Mr. C. C. Buchanan, Sylva, N. C.

Dear Sir:—I have just signed a pledge card to buy \$100 worth of United States War Saving Stamps. I feel it my sacred duty, as postmaster, to invest this much in War Savings Stamps this year.

Let me suggest that every postmaster in Jackson County buy \$100 worth of these stamps this year. If so \$3000 would be the amount raised by them, in whom this Government is reposing special trust and confidence in their intelligence, diligence and discretion.

Trusting that it will not be long until this band of 28 Government workers will have loaned \$3060 of their compensation back to their employer. I am,

Yours truly,

O. V. CAGLE, Postmaster Greens Creek, N. C.

W. S. S.

RED CROSS AUXILIARY AT TUCKASEE

At the request of the ladies of Tuckasee, Mrs. Brinson and Miss Lucy Luck organized a Red Cross Auxiliary last Saturday.

The meeting was held at the school building and enthusiastic talks were made by some of the ladies of the community, regarding the importance of the Red Cross work. Models were taken from the work room of the Jackson County Chapter and the ladies are already purchasing material to begin work.

Seventeen members constitute the Auxiliary, with the promise of many others. Mrs. J. M. Rigdon was elected chairman, Miss Estelle Moses secretary and Mr. O. D. Moses treasurer.

There are now 328 members of the Jackson County Chapter and the membership committee is still active. Our aims are five hundred members this spring.

10,000 SKILLED MEN WANTED FOR SERVICE IN AVIATION SECTIONS

Qualified men registered under the selective-service law may be inducted into service to fill the call for 10,000 skilled mechanics needed by the Aviation Section of the Signal Corps by applying to their local boards. Men not registered may enlist at recruiting stations.

The present call is particularly for machinists, auto mechanics, engine repairmen, gunsmiths, chauffeurs, carpenters, blacksmiths, tinsmiths, cabinetmakers, electricians, coppersmiths, sheetmetal workers, propeller makers, wireless operators and constructors, tailors, tentmakers, sailmakers, truck masters, vulcanizers, welders, and experts on magnets, ignition systems, cameras, watches and clocks.

Men will be sent to San Antonio, Tex., for segregation by trades, followed by a brief course of instruction at flying fields or factories, then organized into squadrons mostly for service overseas. Additional information may be secured by application to the Air Division, Personnel Department, Washington, D. C.

W. S. S.

MORE THAN ONLY REQUIRE TO WIN WAR

Winston-Salem, Mar. 16.—"There's more to be done if we are going to win this war than simply giving our money," says Col. F. H. Fries, State Director of War Savings. "We must so direct our lives, our households and our desires as to release labor and materials that are now employed for personal gain and comforts, that they may be used in producing things necessary to win the war and at the same time support a vast army in the field and a great navy at sea.

"The war to which we are in today not only requires our sending our men to the front, but our keeping them there fed and clothed. It requires a production of ships and shells, guns and rifles, motor trucks, aeroplanes, hospital supplies, food and a great variety of goods the output of which call for vast industrial plants from one end of the country to the other, manned by millions of men and women who serve their country as effectively in their way as our soldiers in active battle.

"If our people continue to require the luxuries and non-essentials which they required in time of peace, they are not only making it necessary that these things shall be produced and at the expense and time or materials needed to fight the war, but they are handicapping the Government. They cause strong competition with the Government, rather than give it their support.

"England has long ago put the ban on extravagant dressing, and I am told that no one in England owns or uses an automobile for pleasure. Many of the palaces and rich houses have been closed, the

families moving into apartments, to release the servants for work in munition and other war industries, and it seems to me that our people might as well now begin to do without some of the things which are non essential to their health and efficiency and which cost money and labor to produce, that our Government may be less hindered in its plan of fighting and winning the war."

W. S. S.

Dept. Of Farm Demonstration.

There is a good deal of hog cholera scattered over Jackson county. Great precaution should be exercised by those having hogs running out. In fact, the only safe thing to do would be to have such hogs vaccinated. Hogs may be rendered temporarily immune by the "serum alone method" from 4 to 8 weeks.

The Dept. of Agriculture has sent the County Agent 1000 C. C. of serum which he is required to pay for. He has been instructed by the Dept. of Agriculture to vaccinate hogs at cost so long as the serum lasts. The cost of vaccinating a 50 lb. pig is about 40 to 45 cents, a 200 lb. hog \$1.00 to \$1.25, depending on the amount of serum used, as infected herds require more serum.

Those who desire this work done should see me at my office Saturday or write me.

Those who have herding swine in infected territory should have them vaccinated by the "Simultaneous" treatment, which requires a competent veterinarian. If a number of farmers decide to do this a veterinarian may be procured from Asheville at small cost to each. Dead hogs should be burned to prevent cholera from spreading.

Hogs are too high and scarce to run the risk of exposing them to cholera without vaccinating.

Some time ago I received a letter from District Agent, Mr. Jas. M. Gray, stating that Mr. W. W. Shay had persuaded a stock dealer in Kentucky to ship a carload of shotes to Sylva to be sold at auction. I circulated this report in the county paper and in other ways. I regret that this was done, as some have been expecting to provide their hogs for next year from this source, but don't feel that it was my fault entirely, as I was misinformed.

The following letter has just been received from Mr. W. W. Shay.

West Raleigh, Mar. 15 1918
Mr. J. M. McClung,
Sylva, N. C.

My dear Sir:—After making every possible effort to locate pigs, I am at last regretfully compelled to admit failure along this line.

Even the Record Association of two breeds are unable to locate sufficient foundation stock to hold a sale.

If I could find them I could place fifteen car loads of just such stuff as you want.

As I see it, now is the time to press pastures to the front while there is an appreciation of the fact that the only way that we can be sure of next winter's supply of pork is to raise it.

Let us get the pastures ready, then grab the pig at the first opportunity.

Very truly yours,
W. W. SHAY,
Emergency Worker in Swine Extension.

J. M. McCLENG, Co. Agent.

W. S. S.

The Belgian army has been reorganized and has taken over a part of the Western sector, and the report is that the fighting men are in high spirits.

The large flag on College Hill, raised by Sylva Collegiate Institute, looks good.

STATE'S FARMERS ON THEIR METAL

Coming Wheat Crop Far Short of World's Requirements. Corn and Other Food or Feed Crops Must be Produced in Larger Quantities if Suffering is to be Prevented—Better Cultivation and Heavier Fertilization Urged.

Raleigh.—"The world-wide food situation and their own individual interests demand that the farmers of North Carolina plant during the approaching season the largest acreage of corn and other food or feed crops in the history of the State and that they give such crops the best possible cultivation and the heaviest possible fertilization," declared State Food Administrator Henry A. Page in an interview with newspaper men today.

"The coming wheat crop will supply not more than half the normal needs of the world, which must continue to be largely supplied by this country until the end of the war and for a considerable period beyond. This means that the demand for corn and other grains for human consumption will be more than double during 1918.

Must Raise Own Requirements. "The transportation situation is such that our farmers have no assurance of being able to secure any food or feed stuffs from any other section of the country next fall and thereafter and if they do not produce sufficient food and feed crops for this section our people in all probability will have to do without. A large production of cotton is desirable and necessary and no particular reduction in the acreage of tobacco is being urged, but any farmer will be foolish to plant either tobacco or cotton to the exclusion of sufficient food and feed-stuffs to run his own establishment and to provide his part of the surplus that will be required by the markets in our cities, towns and industrial communities.

"Few people have the imagination to conceive of the actual want and suffering which was prevented in our State by the increased cultivation of gardens and truck patches and increased production of staple food and feed crops last year. We are importing small proportion of the thousands of carloads of canned goods and other food and feed products that we normally imported during past years. If we had not produced the stuff at home we would be going without at this time. We shall be able to secure even smaller imports of food and feed stuffs during the coming year.

"Every acre of wheat in North Carolina which has not already been heavily fertilized should be top-dressed with stable manure, wood mold and leaves or with commercial fertilizer. Every acre of food and feed stuffs should be manured or fertilized more heavily than has been customary in the past.

Farmers Upon Their Mettle. "Our farmers are upon their mettle! More depends upon them than upon any other class of people with the exception of the soldiers in the ranks themselves. I am sure that the patriotic farmers of North Carolina may be depended upon to do their full duty."

NEED TO CONSERVE WHEAT MORE URGENT

Consumption Must Be Reduced 30 to 50 Per Cent to Feed Allies and Prevent Flour Famine at Home.

Raleigh.—The Food Administration is fearful lest the recent announcement that meatless meals and porkless Saturday need not be observed during the next few weeks should give consumers the impression that there also might be a let-up in the conservation of wheat flour. On the contrary Food Administration officials announce that even more strenuous efforts for the conservation of wheat flour should be made if our people, to say nothing of our armies and our Allies, are not to go through a period of flour famine before the next harvest.

There will be no flour famine if the suggestions of the Food Administration are followed and the consumption of wheat flour is reduced by 30 to 50 per cent, but this reduction is absolutely necessary. The Food Administration is not only urging the substitution of other cereals and potatoes for bread, but is requesting consumers to eat less bread.

Raleigh.—Announcement has been made by the Food Administration that trade in broilers weighing up to two pounds is not and will not be affected by the recent order of the Food Administration prohibiting the killing of hens and pullets except for strictly local trade by unlicensed dealers.

ON ALL DAYS
WITH EACH PURCHASE OF WHEAT FLOUR FOR HOME USE YOU ALSO RECEIVE AN EQUAL AMOUNT OF OTHER CEREALS