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\$1.50 THE YEAR IN ADVANCE

CAMP CHATTER.

By Dan Tomokins

We had a most enjoyable visit from a party of Sylva friends, during the week-end, Mr. M. Buchanan, Mr. T. J. Powers, Mr. A. J. Dills, Jess Dillard and Jack Morris, driving through the country to Greenville and arriving here Saturday afternoon. Mr. Buchanan had wired Corsey Buchanan to let us know that they were coming and to engage rooms for us in the city. So Saturday night John Morris, Oscar Coward, M. Buchanan Jr., Fred Bryson, Bill Ashe, Bob McKee, Charlie Cathey, C. C. Buchanan, Elsie Dillard and the writer were the guests of Mr. Buchanan at the Imperial Hotel. Ed Dillard was also there, having come up from Atlanta to visit his brother. Now talking about taking in a town, and having one jolly good time, that was we. We ate everything in the dining room except the furniture. It was some reunion (or as Bob McKee called it "concert")

Harry Buchanan was here Monday to see the boys, returning to Sylva Tuesday.

We should all be proud of our county and the fine record it made in the Third Liberty Loan. It is a source of great gratification to the boys that the folks back home did what every one of us expected them to do and went "Over the top."

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Buchanan, Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Wilson and Mrs. J. W. Keener were here the first of the week from Sylva visiting the boys in the Signal Battalion, and Y. M. C. A. Secretary C. C. Buchanan. Will Cathey was here this week to see the boys.

Sergeant Robert L. Leatherwood is at home on a five days pass to attend the funeral of his brother, Private Leatherwood, who lost his life in the wreck of a troop train at Columbia.

"IN FRANCE" A GREAT SUCCESS

"In France" was the title of a play given at the auditorium on the night of May 9. The play was one of the best presented to the people of Sylva in some time and drew one of the largest crowds that had ever gathered at the auditorium when there were any charges. The receipts were seventy-eight dollars. The play was presented by local talent, and some of those who took part would make the professionals ashamed. The proceeds went to the Jackson County Chapter of the Red Cross.

Mrs. Geo. P. Miller deserves special mention as she wrote the play and trained the characters.

WANTS SOMETHING DONE IN HAMBURG

Editor of The Jackson Co. Journal, also to the readers of The Journal.—This article is to notify the public officials of Jackson county and also all who are interested in better things, that there is some packing being done in our community, either by making or selling. Now can we, the citizens of Hamburg and Jackson county, do this? Foods are too scarce and precious and needed too badly to supply the soldiers who are sacrificing their lives to make this country safe for Democracy to be established in this way! Saying nothing of the crime that is committed by those who indulge in those things.

We, the citizens of Hamburg county, ask the sheriff of Jackson county, also the other deputies, to investigate at once.

J. M. CUNNINGHAM.
May 15th, 1918.

PATRIOTIC APPEAL THRILLS COURT.

"We may just as well face the facts," said Judge James E. Boyd during the course of his charge to the grand jurors in the United States District court yesterday morning. "There is no use to whip the devil around the stump. Every man must know that we are at war with the most cruel, heartless and damnable set of people the world has ever seen. But the danger is not in France, where the brave men of England, France and the United States are facing the onslaughts of Germany, but here in this country—the danger is here unless we back them up, unless every one of us does our part, and any man who fails or refuses to aid our brave boys, or who is a slacker when it comes to joining the army or lending the government his money, is a contemptible coward and a traitor and should be driven out of the country."

The Federal court room was crowded to its capacity when Judge Boyd delivered his charge. The regular seating space was filled with jurors, defendants, witnesses and spectators, while the inside of the bar was filled with court officials, members of the bar and a large number of ladies who took this opportunity to hear the charge of the learned jurist. And one and all present felt well repaid for their attendance, for the reason that Judge Boyd, justly famous for his learned and interesting lectures, was at his best, and his stirring remarks stirred the patriotism and Americanism of all present. The healthy manner in which he "lambasted" the kaiser ("Colonel Bill," as he called him) was really refreshing, and every statement along this line was lustily cheered by the large gathering present.

"While this war lasts I don't know a democrat from a republican. There should be but one party—a United America, the purpose of which is to destroy the military element of Germany. When the people of any nation want a popular form of government we are determined that no autocratic power like those Potsdam rappers shall interfere," declared the judge, as the large gathering expressed its approval of the statement with prolonged applause. "This idea is now beginning to permeate the entire world," continued Judge Boyd, "and is spreading even in Germany."

"Sometimes you hear people say this is a rich man's war and a poor man's fight," stated the judge. "A man who makes a statement like that is either a liar or a fool, and you may tell him so when he says it, tell him he is as big a liar as the emperor of Austria, who learned how to lie under the direction of Bill of Potsdam, who is the champion liar; he won't resent it—he's too cowardly."

Judge Boyd then told of the difficulties being confronted by the emperor of Austria, and of the many lies he has been forced to tell to square himself with the Slav and the Latin population of that country (on two sides and "Colonel William" (colonel in the English army, by courtesy, before the war) on the other, and of how every lie he told got him that much more mixed up. Judge Boyd declared that had the death sentence invoked upon Ananias and Sapphira for the lie they told about the price received for their land been in force since this war began the kaiser and the emperor would doubtless have been stricken dead at least 500 times.

This was followed by an interesting review of the causes leading up to the war, of how the kaiser brought on the war unnecessarily and without cause, Judge Boyd declaring

RED CROSS RALLY HERE MONDAY

Speaking, Brass Band, Parade, The Human Spider and Other Attractions

One of the biggest rallies ever held in Jackson will be the Red Cross Rally which will be held here Monday. Hon. D. Hiden Ramsey, of Asheville, will deliver an address on the Red Cross, what it is, what it is doing, and what it needs. Mr. Ramsey has a wide reputation as an excellent speaker. The Brass Band from Franklin will furnish music; there will also be some patriotic songs by local talent. A grand parade will be one of the features of the day, led by the band, followed by the Boy Scouts, Camp Fire Girls, Red Cross Nurses and many others. Bill Strother, "The Human Spider," will be here also. He will climb to the top of the Statue on top of the Court House, stand on one foot and make an appeal in behalf of the Red Cross. He will ride a bicycle around the cornice of the building within six inches of the edge; he will also stand on his head on top of the wall and do many other stunts.

W. C. Strother is a North Carolina boy who has become famous for his climbing in the past few months and has received more press notoriety for his daring work than any other man in the world ever received in the short time he has been before the public. He has climbed in most of the Southern cities during the past six months. He spent the larger part of last month climbing in the interest of the Liberty Loan.

The parade will form at twelve o'clock. Every girl and woman in the county is wanted to dress as a Red Cross nurse and march in the parade. Everybody is invited to join the parade.

WHAT THE ASHEVILLE CITIZEN SAYS OF MR. STROTHER

"He did it."

"Wm. C. Strother, who calls himself the 'Human Spider' and whose specialty is clambering up the walls of high buildings by clinging to tiny crevices and breaks in the wall, climbed the Legal building late yesterday afternoon, according to his promise.

Not satisfied with having scaled the wall of the building, the young man, conducting a more than mild flirtation with some undertaking establishment, rode a bicycle around the coping at the top of the building, balanced a chair in a precarious position on the edge of the roof, and stood on his head on the edge of the high wall.

A large crowd saw the Spider perform, and cheered him when he finally went "over the top."

The Spider started on schedule time. He had to work hard for time, but after traveling back and forth across the face of the building, he won his way to the top, and a sigh of relief from the many spectators went up.

Climbing up a building, a task that looks impossible to the layman, appears to be sport for the Spider. He has a terrific grip and a trick of holding with his feet on the slightest projection or crevice that enables him to successfully flirt with death at any time.

His "stunts" on top of the legal building were all of the hair raising variety and brought thrills to his large audience."

that the English language does not contain words adequate to describe "Colonel Bill." The judge then told a story related by a preacher in which it is alleged that when the kaiser goes to his future home there will be an election of a ruler there, and that when the latter is concluded the devil will never know there has been an election, so badly beaten will he be by the present ruler of Germany.

The learned jurist then paid a glowing tribute to the brave Belgians for their action in checking the German hordes in the early days of the war while France and England could mobilize their armies, declaring that but for the Belgians the Germans would have been in Paris within seventeen days. He also told of Germany establishing the "black zone," through which this country was not allowed to send vessels, which was contrary to the law of nations; of how the United States protested against such action, and against the use of the submarines. He then explained the difference between the blockade established by Germany and that established by England, explaining that England at no time violated international law—that the law permitted nation at war to seize ships in certain instances, but it was never permitted that they should be blown up and destroyed.

"Today, thanks to England's navy, Germany doesn't dare to operate a ship on the high seas," continued Judge Boyd, "but like the miserable coward she is, she sends the submarines under the waves to murder innocent women and children. Germany's kaiser is a scoundrel, the chief of scoundrels, and he carries a withered arm as a sign of the degradation of the family he came from. He's not a German—he's a Prussian; a Hun."

"I would not preach mob law from the bench," continued the judge, but if congress does not provide a law against sedition the people will, these gloriots, patriotic, harmonious Americans will see that a firing squad takes charge. Every man with German blood in his veins is under suspicion. But we must try to put ourselves in their places. Suppose for a minute that we were in Germany and couldn't get away, while we couldn't help secretly sympathizing with our country, and rejoicing in her victories, if it were to become known we would be shot in thirty minutes. And this country will have to tighten up a little along this line, too.

"Every slacker is a traitor, and persons who encourage young men to refuse to register, or to offer his services to the country is guilty of a criminal offense. If you sympathize with Germany keep it quiet, or if you do not either the law will take charge of you or your carcass with a rope around your neck will adorn some limb. Every man who fails to do his duty at this time, or who is against his government will be a marked man. If you are too old to go to war, send your money—buy thrift stamps; save food, and especially wheat flour; and above all, never permit the family of any soldier to want for anything.

"Just at this time everything, courts and business, is subordinate to the purpose of the nation—the only thing is to win the war. Put your money into thrift stamps. It is better to lend everything you have to the government at good interest than to give it all to meet the demands made by Germany if they should win.

"Never since Eetsy Ross made the first American flag has it trailed in the dust, and it shall not trail in defeat in this war. With Great Britain on the left, and with France on the right our brave American boys are going to march straight into Berlin."—Asheville Citizen.

RED CROSS PARADE.

A very important feature of the Red Cross Rally, on next Monday, will be a parade. The parade will form at the foot of the Court House steps promptly at 12:00 noon and march to the Graded School building, where the speaking will be held. Every community in the county is urged to join in the march. Let the captain of every unit report to Prof. J. N. Wilson or myself and a definite place in the line of march will be assigned. This arrangement can be made as the line forms.

We are especially anxious for every mother who has a son in the army to join the mothers' division. Then we ask for the fathers, young ladies who can dress as Red Cross nurses, school children over twelve years of age, young men of draft age, Red Cross workers, and finally, any and all who will join us.

If it is convenient we would like for each unit to carry a banner with the name of their community on it; however, this is not required.

Again let me urge that everyone take part in the parade. This is important.

Respectfully,
HOMER HENRY,
Manager of Parade.

ONLY ONE MAN TO LEAVE THE 25TH

The Local Board has numerous inquiries each day from registered men inquiring if they will be inducted on May 25th. We are called upon for only one man on that date. Our quota in the first call was 127 men. This has been fully filled. Our quota in the second call was for 113 men. We got credit for 90 volunteers within the draft and have entrained more than 30 under the second call. Both calls are fully filled and we are only having occasional calls for special purposes, and these men will be credited on the third call, unless there is some change in status resulting from legislation now pending before Congress. Those who are farming on a large scale and in an intensive manner, will be passed for the time being, unless there is some ruling or legislation which would result in defeating us of the credits heretofore given for volunteers from Jackson County.

BRYSON CITY BOY KILLED IN WRECK

James Leatherwood, of Bryson City, was instantly killed in a wreck at Columbia last Friday when a troop train that was moving soldiers to Camp Sevier from Camp Jackson was wrecked near Columbia. Seven others lost their lives and several were injured, among whom were two men from this county—McKinley Henry of Willets and William Ledford who went from Balsam, but whose people now live at Almond.

James Leatherwood was buried at Bryson City last Monday morning.

It is thought that the wreck was caused by spreading rails.

All men who have become twenty-one years old since the fifth of last June will be required to register the fifth of next June. Full particulars will be given next week.

Capt. Thomas A. Cox, who is located in Texas, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Cox at Cullowhee this week.

Mrs. J. F. Freeze and children are visiting home folks at Fairview this week.

Hon. T. A. Cox, of Cullowhee, was here Wednesday, on business.

Miss Pauline Williams is visiting relatives at Fairview this week.

PRESIDENT'S PROCLAMATION

Washington, May 11.—Decoration Day, May 30, was tonight proclaimed by President Wilson a day of "public humiliation, prayer and fasting."

"I do hereby proclaim Thursday the thirtieth day of May, a day already freighted with sacred and stimulating memories, a day of public humiliation, prayer and fasting and to exhort my fellow citizens of all faiths and creeds to assemble on that day in their several places of worship and there, as well as in their homes, to pray Almighty God that He may forgive our sins and shortcomings as a people and purify our hearts to see and love the truth, to accept and defend all things that are just and right, and to purpose only those righteous acts and judgments which are in conformity with His will; beseeching Him that He will give victory to our armies as they fight for freedom, wisdom to those who take counsel on our behalf in these days of dark struggle and perplexity, and steadfastness to our people to make sacrifices to the utmost in support of what is just and true, bringing us at last peace in which men's hearts can be at rest because it is founded upon mercy, justice and good will."

RAISE PIGS CONTROL DISEASES

By DAN T. GRAY, CHIEF, DIVISION OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY

Our armies and our Allies need meat and lard—need more than the world is now producing. If this extra meat and lard are to be produced, America must do it. After a careful survey of the situation, the Food Administration asked the American people to produce 15 per cent more hogs this year than last, but North Carolina was asked to increase the number of her hogs only 10 per cent.

Is she going to do it? At the present time it doesn't look as though she would, as the last crop report shows us to have just exactly as many sows as we had a year ago. And it takes sows to produce hogs.

But North Carolina can still do what is expected of her if from now on the following things are done:

1. Not a single breeding sow or an available gilt should be slaughtered or sold except to some one who wants a brood sow. They should all be kept and bred this spring for a fall litter of pigs. The mother and pigs should be provided with good shelter so that the mother may have a chance to do her part.

2. People who live in cities and towns should arrange to fatten a pig this fall and winter. The people of Germany are fattening annually over 4,000,000 pigs in just this way—or almost four times as many as all the people of the State of North Carolina own. A pig, when properly cared for, is not as insanitary as a dog.

3. Diseases, especially cholera, should be controlled. Last year 80,520 hogs in this State died of diseases—a loss that could be almost completely eliminated if proper sanitary and control measures were employed. We can't afford to lose 7 per cent of our whole hog crop each year, and it is not necessary.

4. Proper feeds should be provided so that the owner can afford to make the hogs larger than they have ever made them in the past. Twenty-five to fifty extra pounds should be placed upon each hog this winter before he is slaughtered or sold. To do this profitably, proper and permanent and temporary features should be provided now. A special effort should be made this spring and early summer to plant largely of all good hog crops, as peanuts, soybeans, cowpeas, and velvet beans. When fall arrives good winter growing crops should be put in, as rape, rye and oats.