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\$1.50 THE YEAR IN ADVANCE

QUALLA OVER THE TOP

I am very glad indeed to report that Qualla has gone over the top (or will within the next few days as we are so near out now) in pledging her quota \$27240.00 of the \$285000.00 worth of War Savings Stamps that Jackson county has been asked to buy. I feel like we have done exceedingly well, when we take into consideration the fact that this drive came in the very busiest time that it could have come for us farmers and also the fact that we haven't a single limit member in the township. Not a single man bought the limit (\$1000) and not one man pledged for over \$500.00. So it is plain to see that almost everybody in the township is behind the government and behind this proposition or we could not have raised this amount in pledges. Everybody who was able pledged with the exception of a very few.

If there was any feeling toward Qualla that she was not willing to come up and do her part, I feel sure there is no longer any ground for such an idea to be entertained since the Red Cross drive and since we have responded so well in this drive.

I wish to thank the canvassers, whose names will appear elsewhere in this paper, who so faithfully and so willingly helped me to carry this work through and make it a complete success. And I also wish to extend to every one that pledged him or herself my heartiest thanks for responding to this noble call. You have done well and I feel like we have only done our patriotic and Christian duty. I am glad and thankful that I can do a little—though it be a very small part—in helping to send defeat to German militarism and heartless brutality, by standing by our government and behind our boys in the service who are sacrificing their lives for us.

S. T. COOPER.

—W. S. S.—

FUNERAL OF EVANGELINE (TINA) RIDLEY

BY MISS LURA SULLIVAN, WHO HAPPENED TO BE IN ATLANTA.

Miss Evangeline Ridley, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Ridley, passed away Tuesday morning at a private hospital in Atlanta, where she had been critically ill with typhoid fever for several weeks.

The funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the Central Baptist church of which Dr. Ridley is pastor.

The services were beautiful and impressive. The casket and pulpit were banked with flowers. The church was crowded. Sixteen automobiles were sent to the church to carry the friends to the cemetery.

Her Sunday school and school classmates attended in a body, the girls dressed in white, the boys acting as pall-bearers. The deacons of the church acted as honorary pall-bearers.

The services were conducted by Rev. W. H. Major, assisted by Rev. S. Scoggins.

The esteem and love felt for Miss Evangeline and the Ridley family were revealed in the tear-wet faces of the crowded house and the strong of people who crowded forward to take a last look at the sweet face and to say a comforting word or give a sympathetic hand to the bereaved parents and sisters.

Miss Ridley's death is made even more sad by reason of the fact that her other children, Leo, Flora and Eunice, are ill in the hospital, and Eunice being seriously ill, but thankful to be improving.

Friends of the Ridelys sympathize and earnestly pray that their dear children may be spared to us.

Since this article was written news has reached us of the death of Miss Eunice, last Monday afternoon.

MISS BESSIE MAY ENSLEY DEAD

Miss Bessie May Ensley, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Ensley of this city, who has been in poor health for the past several months, died at the home of her parents last Monday morning and was laid to rest Tuesday afternoon at the Keener burying ground.

The funeral services were held from the Baptist church and were conducted by Revs. E. R. Harris and J. A. Cook. The large crowd that filled the church to pay their last respects, and the floral tribute were evidences of the high esteem in which the family is held.

She is survived by her father and mother, three sisters and four brothers.

—W. S. S.—

Dept. Of Farm Demonstration.

I will deliver an address to the farmers, on fertilizers, at the High School of Sylva Saturday 6th at 12:30.

The wheat crop as a whole is heavy, but many farmers have been disappointed because their wheat is not well filled. It seems that there are at least two reasons for this failure for wheat to fill well.

In the first place, much of the wheat was seeded the last of October and the first of November. In order to get the best results wheat should be sown on a firm sod bed between September 25 and October 10, or a better guide still is as soon as possible after the first killing frost. The first killing frost kills the Hessian fly.

The wheat seeded late fails to get a good start before cold weather and consequently is more susceptible to fungous diseases. The least thrifty plants are more likely to show the results of the fungous attack.

During the past two weeks the Co. Agent has discovered a diseased condition of much of the wheat of the county, brought about by the presence of two different fungi which are parasitic. One of the fungi is wheat scab, the other is floret sterility.

The wheat crop of Jackson Co. has been cut at least 30 per cent this year by these two fungi. The farmers of the county have lost many thousand bushels of wheat this year because of the presence of these fungi. As pointed out these wheat diseases are quite wide spread in the Co., consequently many more thousand bushels of wheat will be lost next year if concerted action is not taken to check them by procuring uncontaminated seed wheat for next fall from fields not infested with the fungi.

The following letter from Dr Wolf, State Plant Pathologist corroborates the above:

There is at present upon the specimens of wheat which you sent, a diseased condition brought about by the presence of two different fungi. Both of these are known to be parasitic but neither one has been investigated to any considerable extent. One of the diseases is known as wheat scab and is caused by Fusarium and the other is called floret sterility, caused by Stemphylium tritici.

The former of these diseases is at present being investigated by the Office of Cereal Diseases at Washington. Nothing has been found out of significance other than the fact that those grains already stunted harbor the scab fungus within them, and the planting of such grains, therefore, will result in the production of a diseased crop next year. It is very probable that the other organism winters over in the seed also. In any event, I should advise against planting the seed from fields where these diseases are present and try to get seed from fields where the seeds are normal, or at least where the berries are plump.

Yours very truly,

FREDERICK A. WOLF

J. M. McCLUNG, Co. Agent.

STATE COLLEGE MAN CITED FOR BRAVERY



LIEUT. G. C. COX.

Lieut. George Chandler Cox, of Cullowhee, N. C., a graduate of the North Carolina State College of Agriculture and Engineering, class of 1917, has been cited for bravery in battle in "displaying courage in maintaining telephone connection, and great efficiency in enabling the command to follow all the time the progress of the fighting." The press report says that his name appears near the top of the list of citations made public by the War Department.

George Cox is a son of Senator T. A. Cox, of Cullowhee, N. C. He entered State College in September, 1914, graduating in the course of electrical engineering in three years. The course is laid out for four years' work, and is one of the most difficult of all the courses at the college. His record there is high. He has many friends among State College people, and among the people of Raleigh, who will be pleased to hear of his early recognition in the service of his country. He has been out of college only a little over a year. He is 22 years old and is a first lieutenant. He went to France about the first of February, 1918, as a member of the 105th Field Signal Battalion, 30th Division, on detached service.—News & Observer, June 30.

—W. S. S.—

Southern Bankers Enthused Over It.

President and Cashier of Louisiana and Georgia Banks are Strong in Their Personal Endorsements.

Among the countless thousands of prominent people all over America who have taken Tanlac and praised it for the benefits they have derived from it, none are more enthusiastic than the two well-known southern bankers whose statements follow:

E. J. Henry, president of the Hawkinsville Bank and Trust Co., Hawkinsville, Ga., says: "Last spring I was all wrong some way or other and couldn't get right. I took a bottle of Tanlac and began to improve. Two more bottles put me in good shape and I felt perfectly well. A few weeks ago, I took the gripe and was getting down and out again. I bought another bottle of Tanlac and I am well again. I unhesitatingly recommend Tanlac to anyone who is sick and worn out."

W. C. McElveen, cashier Bank of Hornbeck, Louisiana, says: "I have taken five (5) bottles of Tanlac and have gained fifteen pounds in three weeks. I think it is a great medicine." Tanlac is sold in Sylva at Sylva Pharmacy.

—W. S. S.—

SMITH-COWARD

Mr. Will Smith of Wolf Mountain, and Miss Emma Coward were married last Sunday morning at the home of the bride, Rev. G. T. Nicholson performing the ceremony.

Mr. Smith is the son of J. H. Smith of Wolf Mountain, and is now employed by the Champion Fibre Co. Miss Coward is the daughter of J. B. Coward of Cowarts,

LIEUT. GEO. C. COX CITED FOR BRAVERY

Below is an interesting bit of news from the Asheville Citizen for the people of this county. Lieut. Cox is the first boy from Western N. C. to be cited for bravery, and it is no more than the people expected of him, as he is a very fearless young man, and is one of the best electricians in Western North Carolina, and if he has the good fortune not to be disabled this is not all that we will hear from him.

Washington, June 28.—First Lieutenant George C. Cox, of Cullowhee, Jackson County, has been cited for his bravery in battle with the American expeditionary forces abroad. He displayed courage in maintaining telegraphic communication and great efficiency in enabling the command to follow, all the time, the progress of the fighting.

The name of the North Carolina boy appears near the top of the list of citations made public today by the war department.

Washington, June 28.—The war department today received from General Pershing the names of 35 officers and men who have been cited for bravery in action by the general commanding the French army with which the unit is serving. The names previously had been carried in Associated Press dispatches from France. Night additions to the list from Southern states are Lieut. Geo. C. Cox, of Cullowhee N. C., and Corporals Talmadge W. Gerrald, of Galivant's Ferry, S. C., and Cartor C. Selze, of Bristol, Va.

TO THE KAISER.

They are fighting with sword and lance,
The boys who are in France;
Let us buy War Savings Stamps
To help the boys in the camps.

They will fight for the Red, White and blue,
That belongs to me and to you.

We will feed our men and boys,
Buy War Savings Stamps and no toys.

Then win this war, we will,
If we slay the Kaiser Bill;
He ruined the Bulgians by starvation,
And now he is fighting our own true nation.

Our nation is just, our nation is true;
Our nation is brave under the Red, White and Blue.
Kaiser is a bad man, Kaiser is mean,
Kaiser was a fat man, but now he is lean.

Kaiser is spoiling our lives,
Killing the men and torturing their wives.
Let's raise more wheat and keep more meat
For our soldier boys to eat.

The farmers help all they can,
Because they know the liberty of man.

We get our living by hard, honest toil,
Working and cultivating our fertile soil.

Our boys will run old Kaiser down
And when they do they will get his crown.

I've said and said the Kaiser is out of his head,
When he began to sink our ships
and talk of pleasure trips.

If he comes on our track
He will never get back.

—By Walter Robinson, Dillsboro, N. C., age 12.

—W. S. S.—

John Cook of Beta, N. C. who has been helping Doc Shuler put up electric lines for three days has got linesman job of Jackson Telegraph & Telephone Co.

Doc says that John is about as active as a cow on a pole for he only fell 7 times in 3 days work.

SIMULTANEOUS EVANGELISTIC MEETING FOR COUNTY

The Jackson Union Meeting, which was held at Beta, was one of the best and most far reaching that has been held in years. It was well represented by the ministers of the county, and all took an active part in the discussions.

Among some of the most important things done was a movement started to have a simultaneous evangelistic meeting in the Tuckaseegee Association, beginning the First Sunday in August, and continuing for ten days. This was fully discussed, and unanimously adopted, and every Baptist preacher in the county is urged to co-operate in the work.

There being only about eighteen Baptist preachers in this Association, it will be necessary to get some outside help. But it is thought that this can be done. If the thirty churches of this Association can have a good revival at the same time, it will mean so much to the entire county, and will be a blessing to the boys who are soon to leave for the camps.

There was a committee appointed composed of the Executive Committee and the County Missionary, to formulate plans and get in touch with all the churches and preachers in the Association, that the work may be co-operative.

It is hoped that the churches and preachers will be patriotic at this time when the Lord needs them so much in His service. Brother: God is calling for volunteers, will you be one?

For further information write
W. N. Cook, Beta.
J. C. Ingram, Sylva.
—W. S. S.—

Demonstration Work In Home Economics

Thorough co-operation is now upon the American people, because this year there is not enough food in the world for the world's needs. This is the fact—according to the U. S. Food Administration—whether the war be long or short.

Our soldiers and our allies must have more food than can readily be spared. To do this a few definite changes in our daily habits MUST be made. Neither producers, nor dealers, nor consumers can afford this ALONE. There MUST be, universal, generous whole-souled and decisive cooperation. This co-operation must begin in the home.

You ask: What causes brought about this universal shortage of food?

There are many—first of all there is such an increased number of consumers. Before the war statistics showed the two-thirds of populations were consumers while one-third were producers. Then late springs, poor conditions of rainfall or early frosts, periods of intense heat and other weather conditions have ruined or lessened the production.

In Europe—The reduced productivity of soil, bad management and unskilled labor due to employment of old men, women and others who are uninterested in work or are physically unable for work.

President Wilson says—It is then the women of America, whose patriotism is thus eloquently appealed to; it is they who purchase and handled most of the food of the nation and their cooperation is essential to the success of this campaign. They must be persuaded of the necessity for saving, and the elimination of waste and of their responsibility to do their part toward winning this war. Women it is up to us to do this. It means you and you, and you. Are we going to fall down in doing our part?

MARY FEIMSTER.
Emergency Home Demonstration Agent.

FRANKLIN BOY EXTOLLED FOR CONSPICUOUS DEED OF BRAVERY IN BATTLE

Washington, June 30.—Private Dewey S. Shepherd, of Franklin, Macon county, is extolled by Junius B. Wood, special correspondent with the American army on the French front, for his conspicuous deed of bravery in America's notable contribution in checking the German advance west of Chateau Thierry.

"Thank God I got the message back" was the laconic comment of the North Carolina boy after running the gauntlet of death in crossing two open fields being swept by German machine guns.

Dewey Shepherd piloted a party of Americans that captured fourteen prisoners and guns in a cluster of poplars beyond the objective. The news dispatch stated "It was necessary to get support to bring back the prisoners and Shepherd volunteered to take the message to Capt. G. W. Hamilton, of Washington, in the adjoining woods. It was necessary to cross two open fields swept by enemy machine guns. Hamilton saw Shepherd coming and advanced to the edge of the woods and met him."

"Thank God I got the message back," was Shepherd's only comment

While confessing to the inability of picking out the most conspicuous deeds of bravery among the hundreds reported in the days of fighting since the Americans helped to block the German advance. Junius Wood places the name of Private Dewey S. Shepherd foremost among the recitals of heroism.

—W. S. S.—

WOLF MOUNTAIN.

Canada is again on the map. The fishing season being open, visitors begin to flock to our mountains. The club house on the Tuckaseegee is rarely empty.

If our people could only wake to the fact that good roads are not merely a convenience, but a necessity, Canada's history might change. We clamor for schools and churches; we also long to be quit of the bad element of our citizenship, and all the while we are not using the means at our command for the improvement of our public highways, the erection of better public buildings, and the helping hand is never extended to our teachers and ministers. We find it is a lot more fun to roast our politicians and public officials for what they are not doing than to try to help them accomplish what they do have the temerity to undertake. This condition can be improved, and we believe the first step to be taken is the opening of our township by building good roads. The blockade still is not going to thrive when a country is easy of access to the revenue officer, and public services are not going to be disturbed where there is no whiskey. At the same time Canada shoulders an unfair share of the blame for whiskey traffic in our county. While she is certainly guilty to some extent, God also help other sections. Every quart you see does not hail from Canada. We want help to improve conditions, but first let us show our willingness to be helped by helping ourselves. Let us, if we only build one mile of road in a year, build it for permanency.

A few local news items may be of interest to those who know Canada and its natives.

Mrs. Elbert Coward, of Webster, recently spent a week with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. A. C. Queen.

Mrs. David Shelton died Friday June 7th. The funeral services were conducted by Revs. A. C. Queen and L. H. Crawford, and Mrs. Shelton was laid to rest in the Smith graveyard on the Saturday following her death. The many friends of the family extend their sympathy to the bereaved ones.

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