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ISSUED TUESDAYS AND FRIDAYS.

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HEARD IN WILKES COUNTY.

What Our Town Correspondent Hears And Thinks—Items of Interest from All Over the County.

Division Superintendent Wells of the Southern Railway came up yesterday. The brick-laying work on the depot has stopped since Saturday night's rioting.

The many friends of Miss Ruth Purlear, of Ronda, will be glad to learn of her recovery from an operation for appendicitis. She was able to return home Saturday.

Mr. L. E. Dimmette opened the first school in the county following the close of the county institute near Kendall yesterday with Miss Ada Johnson assisting, Beaver Creek Academy.

Rev. A. T. Pardue, of North Wilkesboro, Route 2, returned to his home Saturday from Boomer, where he has been assisting in a protracted meeting. Mr. Pardue reports a good meeting.

Rev. R. N. Garner, of Hunting Creek, passed through town Monday morning on his way to Haymeadow to assist Rev. George Sebastian in a series of meetings, which begun Sunday.

Mr. O. H. Dillard's barn caught on fire last Saturday from the thrashing machine which was thrashing his wheat. No damage was done as the fire was extinguished before getting scarcely any start.

As to county officers, a few names have been mentioned and others will doubtless come up soon: The name of County Superintendent of Schools Wright for clerk of the court to run against Republican nominee C. H. Somers.

Mrs. John D. Williams, of New Hope township, Iredell county, died last Sunday, July 26th. She was about 60 years old and is survived by a husband and two sons. Rev. R. N. Garner, of Hunting Creek, conducted the funeral services.

Mr. J. S. Forester, of Keysville, Va., is visiting at Mr. Thom W. Church and may spend a few days on the Brushy Mountain at the springs before returning; this is his first trip in two years. Miss Alice Forester, his sister who has been living at the homestead east of town, has been thinking of returning to Keysville with him to live.

Watauga Democrat: Mr. T. S. Vannoy passed up Meat Camp on the 24th with 1,137 sheep and had 400 more to add to his drove before he got to Shouns, Tenn. The Democrat is of the opinion that the sheep had been sold to our Mr. W. E. Shipley, as he has handled a large lot for him during the season, however, that is some sheep for one bunch, in the mountains.

Mr. Johnson J. Hays, candidate for the Republican nomination for solicitor, returned here last evening from Yadkinville having attended the Yadkin county convention and received the entire 15 votes instructed of that county; he left last night for Boone to attend the Watauga convention. Out of the 54 votes required to nominate he had 36 with a promise of at least a considerable portion of Catawba, for the first ballot. He was expecting a share of Watauga's today and Alexander's next week.

Mrs. A. V. Foote Entertains Ladies.

Mrs. A. V. Foote entertained a number of married ladies of the town last Friday afternoon at her home on 9th street, serving punch and Christmas 1914 cake. Out-of-town guests present were: Mrs. Bizzell of Norlina, Mrs. Landon Carter of Missouri, Mrs. Stella Foote of Statesville; Miss Nanye Wellborn, Wilkesboro.

To the Unmarried.

On Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. Foote gave a delightful party to a few friends of the two towns from 8:30 to 11.

Statesville Landmark: It is safe to say if every individual who makes a serious charge against another knew he would be called to account, fewer such charges would be made.

Wilkes Democratic Committee Set August 29 and 31st.

The county Democratic executive committee was held in Wilkesboro Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The hour was set to suit the train schedules and though seeing that the members of the committee from the upper part of the county would be detained too long to go up the river on the 2 o'clock train, Mr. H. C. Landon consented to hold it till 2:45 as an accommodation, as in case of the Republican convention but those going got too busy and failed to make connection, in fact had not gotten started to the depot when the Watauga whistle sounded.

The date set for the Democratic primaries was Saturday August 29th and the convention 31st, the following Monday.

The meeting was well attended and enthusiasm manifested.

Committeemen present were Messrs. B. Frank Staley of Union township; Cicero Parsons and Sam. Hall, Stanton township; E. E. Parks, Antioch; J. A. Profit and D. F. Shepherd, Elk; J. Elisha Howell, Boomer; J. C. Reins, North Wilkesboro; C. C. Faw, Reddies River; V. McGinnis, Beaver Creek; R. E. Faw, Mulberry; A. M. McEwen, and H. G. Minton, Elk; J. A. Poplin, Edwards; A. M. Vannoy, Brushy Mountain; Mr. Durham of Rock Creek; Chairman Floyd C. Forester presided; H. A. Cranor acted as secretary.

Gentlemen from each township made different suggestions while here as probable candidates for the nominations, among whom were Dr. A. J. Eller for clerk of the court from Lewis Fork, and J. C. Reins for sheriff from North Wilkesboro township; Superintendent Wright was mentioned as a desirable candidate from Lovelace; H. A. Cranor for the legislature; W. A. Pearson for sheriff; R. N. Garner from Hunting Creek for sheriff; A. M. Vannoy and others heretofore mentioned. Short speeches were made by several among whom was H. A. Cranor who said this was the year for the Democrats to rally round the flag; that Republicans were "dying like flies" amid laughter.

Democrats of Ashe Yesterday.

The Democracy of the grass county met in its Jeffersonian town yesterday and nominated its county ticket for the coming campaign this fall.

Things stand about thus in Ashe: Sheriff G. B. Austin has served the people of his county for eight long years as a popular sheriff and it was learned here Saturday would not be a candidate this time.

Beginning with the same year Mr. Walter H. Worth has been clerk of the court, one of the most popular men Ashe has yet honored, in business, politics and other things.

One of the strongest men the county has ever upheld with ballots has been its register of deeds, George W. Sawyer, four years in, of whom it is said, carried the largest majority ever rounded up in the county.

Mr. E. A. McNeill has been treasurer for Ashe two years. It was said Mr. T. C. Bowie had said that he was not a candidate for renomination for county representative again.

One Republican officer was elected two years ago and that was Mr. Joel Walters as county commissioner; Mr. J. F. Scott, Democrat, is chairman of the present board.

Mr. W. H. Worth has been chairman of the Democratic organization since the resignation of Mr. Sidney Eller who is a brother of former State chairman A. H. Eller, (one of the most searching and to-date State chairmen the party's had in recent years) and a kinsman of North Wilkesboro's citizen E. E. Eller.

Henderson Gold Leaf: It is not exactly easy to understand just how members of Congress who voted to retain that mileage graft expect to be able to look the people back home squarely in the face and explain why they did it, when they know and the people know that it amounts to nothing less than their taking money out of the public treasury that does not belong to them.

NATIONS RUSHING TOGETHER

Germany Declares War Against Russia and Allies of Europe Begin to Move—Blood Shed.

Germany's declaration of war against Russia has provoked in the Russian capital here a wonderful demonstration of patriotic enthusiasm.

The German ambassador, Count von Pourtales, at 7:30 tonight in the name of his Government sent to the Russian Minister of Foreign Affairs, official notification of the declaration of war and two hours later an announcement to this effect was made to the people.

Tonight the capital presents a spectacle of extraordinary animation.

All leading thoroughfares are filled with war frenzied people, marching in processions, carrying portraits of the Emperor, with flags waving and torches blazing. From time to time there is an outburst of cheering and singing.

In front of the Kazan cathedral each procession halts and a sudden hush falls over the marchers, then the strains of the national anthem, sung in harmony by a section of the procession rises, the crowds listening silently with bared heads. Then the procession moves forward and the demonstrations are resumed in renewed ardor.

News from Germany.

Berlin, Aug. 1.—Emperor William signed an order mobilizing the German army at 5:15 o'clock this evening. A German patrol near Prostken was fired on late today by a Russian frontier patrol. The Germans returned the fire. There were no losses.

A semi-official statement issued tonight says that the threatening danger of war necessitates that military measures be taken for protection of the German frontier and railway lines. Restrictions, therefore, of the postal, telegraph and railway services are inevitable, owing to the requirements of the military authorities.

London, Aug. 1.—Events in the European crisis developed today with startling rapidity. The German ultimatum to Russia, demanding that Russia cease the mobilization of her army, expired at noon, and at noon, and at 5:15 o'clock this afternoon the German Emperor signed a mobilization order.

The first shots in the Russo-German war were exchanged between patrols today near Prostken, 120 miles southeast of Konigsberg.

The only redeeming feature of the darkest prospect with which Europe has been faced for half a century is that Italy has declared her neutrality. How long that neutrality can be maintained is an exceedingly debatable question.

Great Britain's position already has been defined by Premier Asquith in the British Parliament. He declared she is under no formal obligation to go to the assistance of France in the event of an European war.

The British government has made full preparations in both services for any event.

The present position therefore, is that Russia, France and Serbia are arrayed on one side against Austria-Hungary and Germany on the other. How long the warfare will be confined to this plane, it is impossible to foretell, nor can it be foretold whether Belgium and Holland will be able to maintain their neutrality against their powerful neighbors, or whether Great Britain will find her-

self compelled to send an expeditionary force to attempt to preserve that neutrality.

Another factor, which has not been given much consideration, is the attitude of Turkey, which, if she has sufficiently recovered from the effects of her late war with Italy, may be able to throw considerable weight into the scale. It is generally understood that Germany has an effective understanding with Turkey which may lead to interesting developments.

At 7:30 o'clock the German Ambassador at St. Petersburg, Count von Pourtales, delivered a declaration of war in the name of his Government to the Russian Government and the entire staff of the embassy immediately St. Petersburg.

Although after the warlike speeches delivered by the German Emperor and the Imperial Chancellor at Berlin on Friday, no other results could be expected, hopes that the dread event might be averted had been raised by the intervention of King George in St. Petersburg and the fact that the German Reichstag was not to be convinced until Tuesday. Hence the actual declaration of war had not been expected for another day or two.

Now the die is cast and Europe is to be plunged into a general war which has been the apprehension of European statesmen for generations. It now is only a question of how soon a state of actual war will exist between Germany and France.

Late tonight placards were posted in Paris calling for general mobilization and the German Ambassador, although he had not been handed his passports, was preparing to leave the French capital. It is not known at exactly what hour Germany's ultimatum to France, asking that country to define what attitude she would assume in case of war by Germany and Austria against Russia was to expire, but it is believed it will not be long before diplomatic relations will be ruptured or war declared.

The German Emperor and his advisers have maintained to the last that they made supreme efforts for peace and that the last of the series of appeals from Emperor William to Emperor Nicholas was a telegram repudiating responsibility for the calamity threatening the world, on the ground while Germany was mediating with Austria-Hungary at Russia's request, Russia by her general mobilization, was threatening Germany's safety.

The Cabinet will meet again tomorrow to consider Great Britain's attitude in the crisis. The Government will have to make its momentous decision between the two schools of thought which prevail here—one advocating that England hold aloof and only seek to protect Dutch and Belgian neutrality, and the other arguing that the entente with France entails England going to the assistance of France if that country is attacked by Germany.

Despite the official view that there is a friendly feeling between England and Germany it is impossible to avoid observing among the general public deep-seated antagonism toward that country.

A dispatch from London, Friday, July 31, says:

There are only two factors tonight giving the faintest hope of averting a general European war.

First, Russia and Austria are engaged again in direct negotiations. Second, both Great Britain and France are using their utmost endeavor.

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Personals.

Mr. W. S. Castle is visiting his daughter, Mrs. C. B. Gentry.

Mrs. D. W. Vinson left this morning returning to Augusta, Ga.

Miss Dimmette, who has been the guest of Miss Annie Lewis, Wilkesboro, was on the out-going train this morning.

Mr. Jas. Jones, of Oakwoods, went to Elkin this morning.

Rev. C. F. Fields attended a meeting of the county board of education yesterday.

Mr. W. W. White, of Charlotte, is visiting his brother, Mr. Joe White.

Mrs. W. J. Kinyon, who has been visiting Mrs. E. M. Blackburn, returned to her home at Dellaplane Saturday. Miss Ruby Blackburn returned with her and will spend a few days.

Mr. G. E. Davidson carried two convicts, who have been at work on the W. & Y. R. R., to Raleigh Saturday.

The little daughters of Mrs. J. H. Johnson, Misses Tat and Sam, went to Winston-Salem Saturday to visit Mrs. Roby Shields.

Mr. J. J. Ross went to Washington, D. C., Saturday to attend to business.

Mr. C. Call left Saturday for New York City via Raleigh to attend a meeting of the State Election Board. At this meeting they will appoint the county election boards.

Mr. W. W. Call left Saturday for a business trip to New York City.

Miss Nellie Hamlin went to Roaring River Saturday where she will teach in the graded school which opens Monday.

Misses Mary and Sadie Franklin, Maude Greenwood and Molly Roby, of Elkin, passed thru town Saturday en route to Goshen, where they will attend a house party.

Mr. S. A. Palmer, of Tampa, Fla., came in Saturday evening to visit his daughters, Mrs. W. A. Sydnor and Mrs. R. M. Houck.

Little Miss Underwood, of Pennsylvania and daughter of who before marriage was Miss Jennie Vyne, is visiting her uncle, Mr. L. Vyne.

Mr. W. B. Matheson, of Taylorsville, died in the Sanatorium in Charlotte Friday morning.

Mr. S. H. Dula, of Winston, went up to Ferguson yesterday on business.

Surround Negro Cabin and Run Them Out.

Some shots were fired in the bottom lands below town Saturday night said to have been at some negro bricklayers sent here by contractors of the Southern for construction of the new depot. One of the negroes is said to have been shot in the neck; some say he might have been wounded another way.

Perhaps the most cowardly part of the night however was enacted by surrounding the foreman of the work Mr. J. P. Yount and cursing and heaping abuse at him while he was unprotected by night and unarmed.

The trouble is said to have arisen over the fact that the contractor had sent negro bricklayers here to construct the depot and there is objection to placing them in this section to compete in that work.

It is said that one of the negro cabins in the bottom in the row near the fair ground was surrounded, the door opened, the negroes assembled therein were dispersed; and that some slept all night out in the corn field.

Mayor Barkley and Officers Lasley and Kilby are at work on the case and some of the participants are said to have long-distanced.

One citizen, Mr. E. L. Hart, happened to be sitting on his porch that hour and saw the flash from a pistol which appeared to go straight up.

Sentiment of the large majority of North Wilkesboro's citizens is doubtless pronounced against such lawless action due more perhaps to something like old "white lightning" than a spirit of public or private benefit.

The fact that men are honored for what they have more than for what they are, causes the criminal instincts to develop in many individuals.—St. Pauls Messenger.

\$500,000,000 CURRENCY.

Emergency Currency Is Made Available—Administration Acts Promptly to Reassure the Nation.

Washington, July 31st. President Wilson and the administration acted promptly today to reassure the country against any threatening financial dangers growing out of the European war situation. First the President took steps to complete immediately the organization of the federal reserve board so that the new currency law may become effective.

Secretary McAdoo expressing approval of the closing of stock exchanges throughout the country, announced that a \$500,000,000 issue of emergency currency waiting at the treasury department, would be made immediately available to national banks.

To make more easily accessible this emergency currency, authorized by the Aldrich-Vreeland act, the senate late today, at Mr. McAdoo's suggestion, passed unanimously an amendment to the currency law modifying the clause providing that banks of national currency associations, to avail themselves of the issue, must have outstanding currency notes "secured by bonds of the United States to an amount not less than 40 per cent of its capital."

Wilkes Folks in Mont.—Business Improving.

Livingston, Mont., July 26.—Lovely weather now in Montana with just wind enough to make it pleasant and clear. Gardens are just now coming in good. We had a rain on July 24th which did our gardens and farmers lots of good.

We expect to have a lot of fruit in Montana this season. We learn that the potato crop in North Carolina was short this year. Well, the potato crop in Montana never makes a failure, but as to corn, Montana is no good for it but wheat is fine.

The Park County Fair will begin in Livingston on or about the 12th or 15th of September.

Mrs. M. H. West, of Hunters Hot Springs, visited her sister, Mrs. A. J. McNeill of Livingston, this last week and returned home yesterday afternoon; she was accompanied by Mrs. J. L. Davis and kids. Mrs. Davis will spend the week with Mrs. West. Mr. J. C. Lewis, switch-tender for the N. P. R. R. Company, had a nice little ice party at the home of his sister, Mrs. A. J. McNeill's, on July 19th. Mr. Arthur Caudill, Mr. John Gould and Mr. and Mrs. Nichols have gone to Hunters Hot Springs to spend the afternoon. Mrs. McNeill will give an ice cream supper on their return.

Mrs. W. H. West gave a nice dinner to her many friends near Hunters Hot Springs on July 19th. Miss Bertha Cady retired to her school near West Boulder this afternoon being accompanied by her brother, Leonard.

Some pretty nice buildings are being put up in Livingston this summer; are most ready to build a nice school house on the east side of town; the new postoffice building was completed at this place a few weeks ago at a cost of several thousand dollars.

Business is getting good again on the N. P. Railroad; they have put the shop men back on steady time. We hope to see it get still better as quite a number of men have been without work in some places. The N. P. R. R. Company shops here furnish work for several hundred men.

Both friends and relatives of Mrs. Leona Lewis are very glad to learn that she is coming back to old Montana as we think she has stayed long enough in North Carolina.

Success to the Hustler and its readers; let us hear from Beaver Creek.

The cheaper the automobile, the more noise it makes.—Henderson Gold Leaf. In which respect it is almost human.—Charlotte News.