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AVOID THE AWFUL DISGRACE

CRIMINAL PROSECUTION AWAITS VIOLATORS.

Those Who Attempt to Prevent Registration Under the War Army Bill by Propaganda or Otherwise.

All kinds of rumors are afloat in old Granville, and if there is any truth in them, the jail will be overcrowded with prisoners in a very few days.

It is whispered on the streets of Oxford that there are a few men in the county advising young men not to register under the war army bill. To discourage registration is a plain violation of the law.

Attorney General Gregory has announced that the government will deal vigorously with such cases.

"Such action is a plain violation of the law," said Mr. Gregory, "and the department of justice is prepared to prosecute promptly any person guilty of such conduct. The officers and agents of the department throughout the country have been instructed to watch carefully for infractions of this law.

"In addition to the penal provisions contained in the act which makes evasion a criminal offense, section six of the federal penal code makes it a criminal offense punishable with not more than six (6) years imprisonment for any two or more persons to conspire together to hinder, prevent or delay the execution of any law of the United States."

It is also noised about that a number of very eligible young men have left the county within the past few days in order to escape registration June 5 for military service under the selective bill and while county officials expressed the opinion that the reports are false they say that any attempt to evade the duties imposed upon all by the measure will insure certain punishment for the alleged shirkers.

MR. W. H. JONES DEAD.

A Prominent Citizen of Granville County.

Mr. W. H. Jones, a highly esteemed citizen of Granville, died early this Friday morning at Stem. His remains will be laid to rest with Masonic honors in Betsy Green cemetery at five o'clock Saturday afternoon. Several prominent men from Oxford will attend the burial.

POSTOFFICE TAR RIVER ROBBED

Thief Enters Mr. G. N. Daniels' Store and Takes Cash From Money Drawers.

Robbers entered the postoffice at Tar River Monday night and stole all the money they could get their hands on. The fact that they did not "blow" the safe tends to imply that they were common sneak thieves.

The office which was kept in Mr. Daniel's store, was entered from the back door. Between \$15 and \$20 in cash was taken from the cash drawers of the store and postoffice. There were no goods missing Tuesday morning and Mr. Daniel thought that the only object of the robbers was to get money. A considerable sum of money was locked up in the safe, but it seems that there had been no attempt to enter it.

Mr. Daniel and Mr. Gordon tracked the burglar from the store to Watkins station, but lost the track at that place. Mr. Daniel said he had on a shoe with rubber heels, and was easily tracked owing to the fact that a little shower of rain fell late in the night which had laid the dust. He notified the policemen of Oxford and other places and hopes to catch the guilty party.

ON WAR FOOTING.

Durham Company Wins Col Minor's Cash Prize.

Company M, Third Regiment, North Carolina National Guard, the Durham unit, was recruited to the full war strength of 150 men shortly before noon Tuesday thereby winning the cash prize of \$25 offered by Colonel S. W. Minor to the first company of the Regiment to recruit to full war strength. Several other men enlisted after the full war strength was reached.

Durham citizens will tender the company a barbecue in honor of the event.

WHAT THE ALLIES EXPECT

Cooperation Given and Promised by the United States.

London, May 29—An official statement was issued by the British government yesterday summarizing the co-operation given and promised by the United States. Details are as follows:

Expected: 3,500 war cars; 6,000 aviators.

Aid already given: 750,000 advance. United States destroyer flotilla.

Ordered to France: One division of 25,000 men. Nine regiments of engineers. A force of marines.

Ordered to England: 10,000 doctors and hundreds of nurses, including those Americans now in France, a total of 100,000 equal to five German divisions is expected to be on or immediately on the fighting front in the near future.

Hundreds of engineers and doctors and nurses already have arrived.

WILL TAP NATIONAL HIGHWAY

Ten Percent of Cost of Granville County Link Sent to Commission (Henderson Daily Dispatch)

W. T. Watkins, who has been interested with J. A. Kelly in raising private subscriptions to the amount of \$1,800 for the county's half of the necessary funds for the construction in Granville county of a connecting link of the National Highway between Williamsboro and Bullock, Monday sent to Raleigh a check for \$180, one-tenth of the total amount required, as a guarantee for the raising of the half to be provided by citizens here.

The county commissioners last week sent to the State Highway Commission their check for \$300 as ten per cent of the county's donation for the work that is to be done on the Vance county side of the line, this to be a guarantee that the remainder of the fund necessary for the work would be forthcoming when called for.

Mr. Watkins and Mr. Kelly have raised \$1,100 in subscriptions out of a total of \$1,800 required for the link on the Granville county side to Bullocks. It is estimated that \$3,000 will be necessary to construct the road over that part of the highway, and the Federal government will give the remainder of the money needed. The citizens' half was raised by private subscription because Granville county would not appropriate for a road to divert traffic to Henderson, and because Vance county officials thought they were not justified in voting money to be spent outside the county.

The State Highway Commission is to supervise the construction of the road, whose maintenance after it has been built had to be guaranteed before the Federal Government would provide its half of the needed money. Work is to begin as soon as an engineer can be spared by the Highway Commission to come here.

An effort is to be made to secure subscriptions from Raleigh hotels to the fund for completing the link from the county line to the town of Bullock, and one or more local business men expected to go to Raleigh Tuesday to lay the matter before proprietors of those hostleries.

SOME GOOD FISH.

Jolly Good Fellows Enjoy a Night's Outing.

Dr. J. D. Harte and Messrs John R. Hall and Frank Blalock, three of our best local fishermen, spent Tuesday night on the banks at Gooch's old mill. They were successful in landing with the nets more than a water bucket full of red fin perch and cat fish, some of the perch being as broad as a man's hand. They enjoyed a frugal supper on the banks of the stream and retired for the night and slept soundly until awakened by the twittering of the birds at daylight. Mr. Blalock was the cook, and they say he is a good one. It was Rev. J. D. Hearte's first outing with the boys and they say he is a tip-top camp-fire companion.

Car Load of Cans.

Mrs. Capehart has succeeded in securing a car load of No. 3 cans which are expected to arrive in Oxford in a week or ten days. Full particulars regarding the cans will appear in the next issue of the Public Ledger.

LOCAL RED CROSS CHAPTER

SOMETHING OF ITS EARLY HISTORY.

General Davis Delivers Address—Two Hundred Names in Local Chapter—Interest Growing.

The organization of a Granville county chapter of the Red Cross Society received a tremendous impetus at a meeting held in the auditorium of the Oxford Graded School on Tuesday night. The committee on organization was extremely fortunate in having Major General Davis, U. S. A. retired, present to tell the assemblage about the work and purpose of the society. General Davis was for eight years chairman of the central committee, or governing body, of the society, in which position he was succeeded two years ago, when he retired on account of his health, by ex-President Taft, and he is responsible, probably more than any other living man, for its present efficiency. His outline of the history of the foundation of its present work were listened to with wrapped attention by the large audience.

The society has developed from an organization formed among the Italian peasants to take care of the wounded soldiers in the war between Italy and Austria. Later an international conference was held at Geneva, Switzerland, in 1864, at which certain conventions were adopted. A branch of the society was organized in the United States by Dr. Bellows, but this soon died out. It was revived by Miss Clara Barton. In 1899 the American Society was reorganized and chartered by Congress. The President of the United States is ex-officio president of the society and there are branches or chapters all over the country.

The society does not confine itself to caring for wounded soldiers, but extends its help to all sufferers in times of great disasters such as the San Francisco earthquake or the recent tornadoes.

The committee on organizing a local branch of the society has opened a recruiting station at the office of the Granville Real Estate and Trust Company, and every one, men and women alike, are urged to go there and join in order that Granville county may do her bit in helping to relieve the suffering of the world.

Members of Local Chapter

Inspired by the presence of "Old Glory," enthusiasm runs high at the local recruiting station on Main street. Ladies, working in reliefs, have much pleasure in enrolling names. The following is a list of those who up to the closing hour Thursday handed in their names with a dollar, thereby becoming a member of the Granville County Chapter:

B. S. ROYSTER,
MISS ALLEN,
MISS DUVAL,
MISS STANBURY,
MRS. N. H. CANVADY,
MRS. A. H. POWELL,
MRS. C. A. UPCHURCH,
MRS. CANDACE R. E. BROWN,
MRS. G. A. COGGESHALL,
MRS. R. C. M. CALVERT,
MRS. H. G. COOPER,
MRS. LOUIS THORPE,
MISS BEMIS,
R. C. M. CALVERT,
A. H. POWELL,
JUDGE A. W. GRAHAM,
D. A. COBLE,
E. B. HOWARD,
WILLIAM BAILY,
DR. N. C. DANIEL,
WILLIAM LANDIS,
W. T. YANCEY,
B. K. LASSITER,
SAM M. WATKINS,
J. F. VEASEY,
J. ROBT. WOOD,
DR. T. L. BOOTH,
MRS. T. L. BOOTH,
F. B. HAYS,
FRANK F. LYON,
L. F. MITCHELL,
MRS. B. K. LASSITER,
DR. G. S. WATKINS,
A. W. GRAHAM, JR.,
THAD G. STEM,
F. R. LONG, (Baltimore, Md.)
PROF. F. P. HOBGOOD,
CARROL DICKERSON,
MRS. C. D. RAY,
ROY. H. ROYSTER,
M. C. ROBARDS,
C. B. STRICKLAND,
W. Z. MITCHELL,
THOMAS C. ROGERS,
JOHN R. HALL,
R. B. HINES,
M. P. CHAMBLEE,
L. HUNTER,
J. E. HOWELL,
MRS. D. KERR TAYLOR,
SAMUEL WEBB,
C. H. TIMBERLAKE,
E. E. FULLER,
GUY B. PHILLIPS,

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GERMAN'S DENY CLAIM.

Characterize Premier's Speech as "Only Empty Words."

Amsterdam, May 31.—The speech of Premier Lloyd George, last week in which he said German submarines were being combatted successfully and that England could not be starved by the submarine campaign, is characterized as "only empty words" in a semi-official German reply.

"Facts are lacking," says the reply, "because our navy has found little trace of the new methods whereby, according to the views of the enemy, the submarine danger can be met. Hitherto all enemy experts have agreed that with the present means they are powerless against the serious dangers occasioned by submarines. Change in technical methods cannot be achieved in a fortnight. We calmly await Lloyd George's prediction as to the future."

A BUSY BANKER.

Mr. W. T. Yancey Rises With the Chickens.

The Public Ledger has the opportunity of viewing one of Oxford's best and busiest men at close range. We refer to Mr. W. T. Yancey, cashier of the National Bank of Granville. He lives on Spring street and his garden extends back to Littlejohn street, and from our office window we see him at work in the garden morning, noon and night. There must be at least a half acre devoted to all manner of truck and it is one of the most productive and prettiest garden spots in Oxford. Mr. Yancey uses the man push plow to work up an appetite for breakfast, and as soon as the bank closes he rushes back home and enters upon his task with a broad smile. He really enjoys the sport and all nature seems to rejoice with him.

NO TIME FOR SOLDIERING

What a Straw Vote in New York Revealed.

Taking of a war census of New York city's 100,000 employes has brought forth many odd explanations as to why exemption from military duty is claimed. The reasons given range from "I lack time" to "I'm going to be married in June."

Other explanations were: "I have responsibilities and do not believe in war or militarism." "Self-supporting." "I am a friend—could do humanitarian work."

"Below required height." "Married." "Married and wear glasses."

STRANGE ANIMAL IN TOWN.

Friends in Oklahoma Sends Mr. Oakley Handsome Pet.

Perhaps the only full-blooded coyote in the State belongs to Mr. Dorsey Oakley, mail carrier on Route 1. The animal is the gift of friends in Oklahoma and it is a fine specimen. It is only a few months old and is as playful as a kitten. The coyote is a specimen of the North American wolf and is very intelligent when trained. Very swift and possessing a keen smell, the coyote is the best of hunting animals. Not having time to train the animal Mr. Oakley has decided to sell him. See announcement elsewhere in this paper.

HANDSOME CARS.

The Graceful Outlines of The Studebaker.

Engineering ability has succeeded in producing in the Studebaker car those exquisite lines that catch and hold the eye. The tremendous purchasing power of the Studebaker Company has made all things possible, and today their car is unmatched dollar for dollar, by any other car on the market. The demonstration of this car by the Blalock Motor Company is attracting widespread interest among prospective buyers of the better type of cars.

Telephone Employees Entertain.

More than a dozen employees of the Home Telephone and Telegraph Company gathered in Manager W. D. Rivers office last Monday night and enjoyed speechmaking and refreshments. General Manager Topleman was present and praised the local force for their efficiency.

THE HOT CONGRESSIONAL RACE

BROOKS IS CANDIDATE FOR THE UNITED STATES SENATE.

A Bit of Political Gossip Dished out by the Washington Correspondent of the Greensboro Daily News.

When a politician wants to get into the lime light he slides off to Washington and hands the correspondent of the "down home paper" a big black cigar and the trick is done. Mr. A. L. Brooks, the silver tongued orator of Greensboro, was in Washington this week and handed out some interesting dope to the correspondent of the Greensboro Daily News. For some reason, not plain to the Public Ledger, the name of one of the strongest men in the district is omitted from the list of congressional candidates, but the main object of the interview, as we understand it, is to let the people "down home" know that Mr. A. L. Brooks will probably be a candidate for the United States Senate.

The Washington correspondent of the Greensboro Daily News says:

"Mr. A. L. Brooks, of Greensboro, president of the State Bar Association, told the Daily News Correspondent that he is not a candidate for Congress. 'I am not a candidate,' said Mr. Brooks, and would not become one unless a situation should arise where it would be necessary for me to accept the nomination in the interest of the party. Such a situation cannot arise with our primary law where the candidate is nominated by the people instead of by a convention. I very probably will be a candidate for the United States senate, but I shall not enter the congressional race in the fifth district."

"Mr. Brooks thinks there will be plenty of candidates to succeed Major Stedman without him. There is a likelihood of Alf Scales of Greensboro being in the race; Winston-Salem may furnish a candidate in former State Chairman Eller; Victor Bryant of Durham is said to be slipping his toe into the water to test the temperature; Porter Graves of Mount Airy his friends say, is already an active candidate while General Royster of Oxford is said to be in somewhat of a receptive mood and last but not least Col. W. H. Osborn's friends are urging him to run as the Greensboro business men's candidate. Col. Osborn has not said what he will do, and probably will not for some time to come."

BUY A BOND.

There Are Only Two Ways to Raise The Money.

You will not take an active part in the fighting of this war if you are an average American citizen.

Only one-tenth of the population will register for military service on June 5, and only one out of twenty of those who register will be called to the colors in September.

But your services are needed to win the war, and you are in a position to render that service.

You can buy a Liberty bond and help finance the war.

Those bonds must be bought. The war cannot be fought without money, enormous sums of it.

If you hesitate to buy your share of the bonds the Government will have to raise the money in other ways.

There are only two ways to raise the money—by selling bonds and by increasing the load of taxation. The first is a form of voluntary service; the second is a form of conscription.

Money taken from you by taxation will never return to you. The money you invest in bonds will surely come back to you, and will pay you an annual profit during its absence.

If you are a good patriot—if you are even a good business man—you will buy some bonds.

Services at Bullock.

We are glad to note that Rev. Geo. T. Tunstall will preach his first sermon at Bullock Baptist church, this Sunday, June 3rd. We are very sorry to lose our dear beloved pastor Dr. Marsh, but feel very fortunate in having such an able young man as Rev. Tunstall to take his place. Everybody is invited to come, services at 11 o'clock. W.