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THE WAR SAVING CAMPAIGN IN GRANVILLE COUNTY.

Patriotic Utterances Were Sounded From Every Pulpit in the County Last Sunday.

In keeping with the President's proclamation, services were held in every church in Granville county last Sunday. Every preacher, every lawyer, school teachers and others made strong appeals to the people to purchase War Savings Stamps. That the people are thoroughly aroused to the importance of the issue is attested by the fact that most of the churches were crowded.

At Fellowship.
It was the pleasure of the editor of the Public Ledger to accompany Judge Devin and his sister, Mrs. John Webb, to Fellowship church and Marie chapel, down on the Wake County line. A capacity house greeted Judge Devin at Fellowship. He held the attention of the audience for more than an hour, and after the meeting some of the big farmers of the section expressed the opinion that Dutchville will subscribed more than its quota of \$86,000.

A Nice Dinner.
After the services at Fellowship, that good model farmer, Mr. J. H. Perry, proprietor of Greenfern Farm invited Judge Devin and party to take dinner at his elegant home. Mrs. Perry being on a visit to her brother in Hickory, his two bright little daughters prepared and served dinner. Mrs. Webb told the two little ladies that it was indeed a nice spread, and it was.

At Marie Chapel.
One of the most enthusiastic meetings in the county was at Marie Chapel in the afternoon. Dr. Sykes, Mr. Claude Allen, Sheriff Garner, Mr. Dorsey Mangum and all of the big men of that section drank in every word uttered by Judge Devin, who told them that if every resource of the country is now made available, a victory and a righteous and enduring peace will be gained the quicker. They asked Judge Devin many questions, and he informed them that by buying War Savings Stamps is not only the safest investment that can be made but the easiest and most direct way to aid our Government.

Mrs. Webb Speaks.
Big things may be expected from the Marie Chapel community. It is situated in the center of the Hurricane district, where big strong men and women predominate. They want to do all they can to win the war, and having a few minutes to spare Mrs. John Webb was called to the stand to explain the workings of the American Red Cross Society with a view of organizing an auxiliary of the Granville County Chapter.

Gen. Royster Speaks.
The union meeting of all the churches in Oxford at the Oxford Methodist church Sunday night marked the close of the speaking campaign in Granville. General Royster was the speaker and it was the largest gathering of people during the drive. Gen. Royster feels the necessity of spending and being spent until it hurts and then some more. He expressed his earnest conviction that it is wrong to dance while the young manhood of the country are fighting our battles. He scolded the joy-riders, and said that he would actually dread to burn gasoline for fear that it would contain a streak of blood caused by a dying soldier who had perished for the want of food and raiment. He condemned the profiteers and has no respect for those who disobey the food laws. The large congregation fully appreciated every word spoken by General Royster.

The Colored People.
The Court House was tendered to the colored people Sunday night, where they gathered in large numbers. Dr. Harte, pastor of the Oxford Baptist church, assisted by Rev. C. C. Shaw, president of Mary Potter School, who is directing the campaign among the colored people of the county. When all of the returns are in it will be seen that the colored people have done more than was expected of them.

The first training unit of 25 or 30 student nurses accepted by the army school of nursing recently established by the surgeon general under the army medical department will be assigned to Camp Devens, Ayer, Mass.

REV. G. T. TUNSTALL CALLS TO FOREIGN SERVICE.

Pastor of Enon, Hester and Grassy Creek Churches.

Intimate friends of Rev. Geo. T. Tunstall have known for some time that it was his desire to follow the boys and the flag to Berlin. He tendered his services to the Y. M. C. A. work of the army a few weeks ago, and on Sunday the board of deacons of each of his churches granted him leave of absence for twelve months from August 1st next.

Those who know Mr. Tunstall intimately are inclined to believe that he will accomplish much in his great undertaking. He is a good mixer, fond of young men, sympathetic and enthusiastic. He is a young man and is familiar with the ways of young men, and he knows when, where and how to address them.

On the retirement of Dr. Marsh one year ago, Mr. Tunstall was called to the pastorate of Enon, Hester and Grassy Creek churches. He has done a great and glorious work in Granville. He will give up his charges the first of August. In the mean time the board of deacons of the three churches are looking for an able minister to take up the work.

After a brief spell of preliminary work at some of the training camps Mr. Tunstall will go overseas.

OFF TO CAMP.

Eighteen Colored Boys Entrained Here Last Friday.

One of the best looking squad of colored boys to leave Granville entrained here last Friday at noon for Camp Taylor, Louisville, Ky. Their tickets read via Seaboard to Richmond and the Chesapeake and Ohio. Their names follow:

Otis Jones, Lonnie Harris, Robert Peace, Roy Smith, Len Parker, Ernest Garner, John A. Chavis, Melvin Julius Royster, John Henry Peace, Dorsey Cheatham, George Clayton Branch, Walter Moss, James Edward Jeffreys, Esquire Allen, C. A. Hall, Sonny Shanks, James Crosby, William Martin.

OXFORD ORPHANAGE BOY KILLED IN ACTION.

Lieut. Calvin L. Capps, who was killed in action on the battlefield of France last week was the son of Mrs. Maggie Capps, Lucama, near Wilson. He was 25 years of age. His father died when he was a youth of only a few years, leaving a family of a widow and four young sons. He was educated at the Masonic Orphanage at Oxford, from which institution he graduated in 1910.

He has two brothers now in the service—one, Carl Capps, first class yeoman, and Frank Capps in the aviation branch of the service, in training at the University of Texas.

BEV. S. ROYSTER THE THIRD.

Born at Aberdeen Last Week—Father in France.

Born to Lt. Bev. S. Royster and Mrs. Royster, at Aberdeen, Moore county, last week a fine son. The father is somewhere along the battlefield in France. Mrs. Royster is making her home with her father, State Food Administrator Page at Aberdeen. The son of Lt. Royster is named in honor of its grandfather, General B. S. Royster, of Oxford.

GREEN-CALLIS.

Happy Couple Spend Honeymoon in Asheville.

Mr. Brodus Callis and Miss Ida Green were united in marriage at the Methodist parsonage Friday night, Dr. R. H. Willis officiating. The bride was a clerk in the Long Company stores, and the groom holds a responsible position in the local office of the Southern Railway Company.

Immediately after the ceremony the happy couple left for Asheville to spend a few days.

"Over There."

The patriotic production of Montgomery Jackson, entitled "Over There," with Anna Q. Nilsson in the title role, will be seen at the Orpheum next Monday, matinee and night.

BACK BONE OF GERMAN ARMY SHATTERED BEYOND REPAIR—AUSTRIANS RETREAT.

From German Calculations Italian Front Must Be Made Secure Before German Designs in France Can Be Prosecuted Fully; Secretary Baker Cables Italian Minister of War Congratulations.—Outlook Continues Good For Italians Who Are Following Up Their Victory.

TEXT OF GEN. DIAZ'S MESSAGE TO ITALIAN EMBASSY.

"Monday we obtained a great victory," said General Diaz's message. "Owing to the extreme pressure of our troops and the continuous fire of the artillery and airplanes, the enemy, after having desperately clung for eight days at the cost of appalling losses to the right bank of the Piave on the night of the 23rd began to retreat to the left bank under our terrific fire.

"The retreat continued during the entire day, protected by strong machine gun contingents and rear guard units, which, after opposing obstinate resistance were successfully overpowered by the impetus of our troops which enveloped Montebellio and swept over on the entire Piave line with the exception of a short section at Musile, where the fight continues.

"Thus far forty thousand prisoners have been counted and an enormous amount of booty captured. An appalling number of Austrian corpses litter the ground bearing witness of the unfortunate bravery and of the crushing defeat of the enemy."

KEEPING CROPS CLEAN.

The Absence of Grass and Weeds Is Marked on Almost Every Farm.

A trip about the county shows that the farmers have been very busy in their crops for the past few weeks. The absence of grass and weeds is marked on almost every farm. The past three weeks have given a fine opportunity to clean out the crops. The corn crop, as a rule, is not very promising.

Now and then we see a patch of sweet potatoes which were set out early, looking well and growing out nicely. The farmers have cut about all the wheat and oats and are awaiting the arrival of the threshers July 1.

Down in Dutchville and other sections of southern Granville the crops suffered considerably for lack of rain.

The lack of sufficient man labor on the farm has made it necessary for the women to go into the fields and do their part. This they are doing without complaint. They realize that if their brothers, sons and husbands must go forth to fight the country's battles they should be willing to labor at home to back them up in the training camps and battle fronts.

4,247 MEN CALLED IN NORTH CAROLINA TO DEPART IN JULY.

Third of Them Will Entrain Between July 5 and 10 For Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia.

A call upon North Carolina for 4,247 men has been issued by the War Department Adjutant-General Young announced Friday. On those and three hundred men qualified for general military service will be sent between July 5 and 10 to Camp Greenleaf, Oglethorpe, Ga.; 247 men of grammar school education, having experience as blacksmiths, carpenters and mechanics, will be sent to Clemson College, Clemson, S. C., July 16; 1,700 others will go later to Camp Meade Maryland and 1,300 negroes will go to Camp Dix, Md.

Save a Dollar.

A dollar saved is a dollar made, and why not be comfortable while making it? Read the announcement of the Southern Gas Company elsewhere in this paper.

NEGRO COMMITS SUICIDE.

Lundy Day Fires a Bullet Through His Head.

Lundy Day, colored, twenty-one years old, was found at the end of a tobacco row early Monday morning about nine o'clock in an unconscious condition. The faithful old mule attached to a plow was standing close by and the pistol lay ten yards away.

Lundy's wife states that her husband came to the house a few minutes before she heard the shot and told her that he wanted the pistol to shoot the crows that were ravishing his crops. She thought nothing of it until she heard the report of the pistol a moment later and hastened around the barn and found her husband at the end of a tobacco row in an unconscious condition.

Dr. Nelson Thomas, county coroner, hastened to the scene at Shady Grove church and seeing that there were unmistakable signs of self-destruction pronounced it suicide.

COLORED REGISTRANTS TO BE GIVEN TECHNICAL TRAINING.

Three Granville County Boys Will Be Selected by the Local Board.

Nearly 157,000 negro soldiers are now in the National Army. Of these 1,000 are line officers holding commissions of captain and first and second lieutenants. There are about 250 colored officers in the Medical and Dental Reserve corps.

The Army now includes two divisions of colored troops, which when fully constituted will include practically all branches of the service: Infantry, Artillery, Signal Corps, Medical Corps, and Service battalions with men technically trained in all branches of scientific work.

There are now openings in the Veterinary Corps for negroes skilled in veterinary and agricultural work. Arrangements have been completed to send negroes registered but not yet called to schools and colleges this summer for training in radio engineering, electrical engineering, auto mechanics, blacksmithing, and the operation of motor vehicles.

The local board will this week announce the names of the three boys to be sent from Granville county.

MERCHANT MARINE RECRUITS.

Several Young Men Request Detailed Information.

Mr. John G. Hall, recently appointed enrolling agent for the U. S. Shipping Board Recruiting Service, reports numerous inquiries from young men, who prefer serving their country in the great war on the sea rather than on land. Most of the would-be recruits want to know what the pay is while training. They are informed that it is \$30 a month, plus board and lodging, and the use of a uniform. After approximately two months on a training ship, the Merchant Marine recruits are placed in the crews of cargo or passenger vessels, for mercantile voyages to various quarters of the globe. They are exempt from military service.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

We wish to correct the impression that our celebration on the Fourth of July at Caltolina Farm is intended for a picnic feast. The object is just the reverse. Instead of an extravagant feast, the dinner will be prepared under the supervision and direction of Mrs. Lillian W. Capehart and Miss Lila Melvin, County Home Demonstrator Agents of Granville and Person Counties respectively, and will be entirely within the U. S. Food regulations.

W. T. CALTON.

FIREMEN ELECT OFFICERS.

At a meeting of the Oxford Fire Department last week the election of officers resulted as follows: Chief, J. Robt. Wood; Assistant chief, J. A. William; Foreman, Capt. Wade H. Britt; Assistant foreman, E. L. Parham; Treasurer, J. T. Sizemore, Jr.; Secretary, Lee C. Taylor; Surgeon, Dr. T. L. Boeth; Driver, P. A. Wood.

John R. Ellington was elected a new member of the company.

HON. D. G. BRUMMITT FOR SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE.

As Such Will Add Prestige and Dignity to the Old County of Granville.

We reproduce some of the nice things the papers of the State are saying about Hon. D. G. Brummitt. This from the Casewell County News:

"Why Not Granville's Prince of Good Fellows For Speaker?"

"Amid all of the present war hurley burly people are liable to overlook the fact that there are important things to be done at home as well as abroad, and one of these very important things is to elect the proper man for speaker of the house in the next State Legislature. And seeing that Hon. D. G. Brummitt, of Granville is again standing for reelection for the house in Granville, where the untrifled Democrats and many Republicans will undoubtedly support him to a man. Mr. Brummitt's past service in the house, coupled with his ability as a speaker, his country-wide reputation as a splendid man, we would really like to see the house honor itself and the State by honoring Mr. Brummitt as its chief officer."

This from Charity and Children: "We hear that Mr. D. G. Brummitt, a representative in the House from the good old county of Granville, will be a candidate for speaker of the House. We rejoice to hear it, for Mr. Brummitt is a clean, high minded, honorable man, and withal one of the ablest men of his age in the State. The brethren of the House could hardly do a better thing for themselves and for the State than to put Mr. Brummitt in the chair."

Mr. Brummitt will return to the next Assembly without opposition. The Republicans will offer no candidate in the November election. And we are advised that he has since the primary received assurances of support for speakership from all sections of the State, many of which assurances come without solicitation. But, to be sure, there will be left undone nothing that will make sure his election. The county is interested in his candidacy. The older men in politics, such as Gen. Royster, Sen. Hicks, Senator Curran, Dr. White, Col. Ballou, D. T. Winston, J. L. Peed and many others are giving their counsel, while the young fellows, Ben. Parham, John Hester, Willie Howell, Ennis Davis, Ben Lassiter, Col. Gregory, and others are doing actual work whenever such work is necessary.

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A Clearance Sale.

Opens at Cohn & Son's two big stores on Friday morning and will last 15 days. Their entire stock of up-to-date summer clothing, shoes, dry goods and millinery are placed on sale at prices never heard of in Oxford. Their one endeavor now is to clean out the heavy stocks of summer goods as quickly and effectively as possible. All their summer goods must go and go quickly. They are determined not to carry any summer goods into next season. So they have cut with mighty little regard to profit or even cost. It is the policy of this reliable firm not to let any goods lay on the shelves, but to see them move at any pretext. So you now have an unequalled opportunity to save. You will find that the savings are not confined to a few articles, but include everything in their two big stores. Cohn & Son's never disappoint, they sell exactly as they advertise. So no matter what you want, whether the article be advertised or not, you will greatly profit by attending their sale. Look at Cohn & Son's advertisement on last page of this paper and hurry to the sale. adv

Doing Her Bit.

Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt Jr., is working fourteen hours a day in a Y. M. C. A. canteen at Aix, France.