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THE HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT

BEGINS SUNDAY WITH SERMON BY DR. T. J. TAYLOR AT BAPTIST CHURCH

Class Play and Debate Also Are Features of Closing Exercises

Warrenton High School Commencement is at hand, vacation days are with the faithful workers, diplomas come to many, and thus the faculty and graduating class of the Warrenton High School request your presence at the Commencement exercises May 30 and 31 nineteen hundred and eighteen.

On Sunday May 26th Dr. T. J. Taylor will deliver the Commencement sermon at the Baptist church. The senior class and faculty cordially invite your presence on this occasion.

The Graduating class is composed of Graham V. Boyd, John G. Tarwater, Israel M. Joblin, John H. Hayes, Robt H. Broom, Jr., Frank P. Hunter, Frank Hayes, and Misses Crichton Thorne and Agnes Henderson.

On Thursday night Miss Crichton Thorne and Mr. Will S. Price will feature in the class play. The cast is well chosen and the play promises much interest.

On Friday night at 8:30 the Annual debate between the Zetasophian and Philotimian Literary Societies will take place. Messrs. Edward J. Rooper and Frank P. Hunter representing the Philotimian and Messrs. Elmer Hillburne and Israel Joblin representing the Zetasophian. Miss Crichton A. Thorne will preside.

The Marshals are Miss Agnes H. Henderson, Chief, by virtue of the fact of making the highest marks during the term, and Graham V. Boyd, John G. Tarwater, Israel M. Joblin, John H. Hayes, Robert H. Broom, Jr., and Frank P. Hunter.

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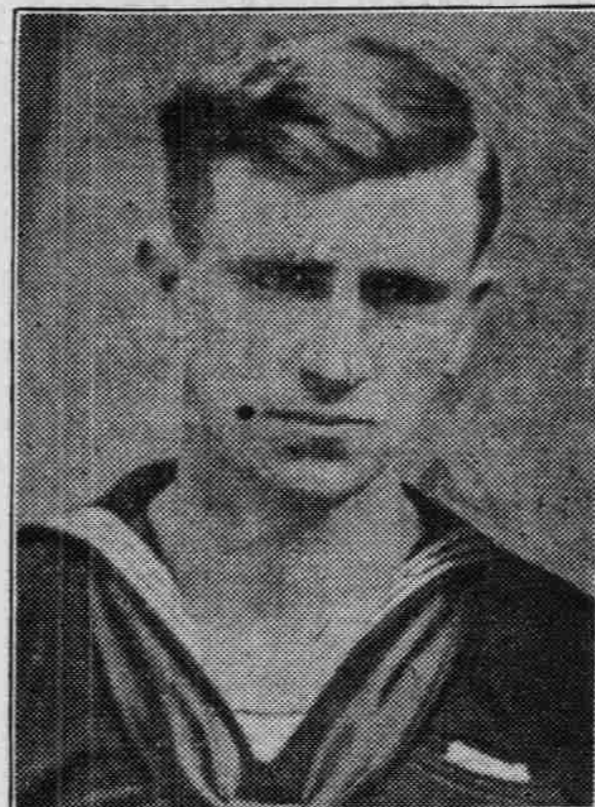
CORPORAL LEON L. POWELL



Son of Mr. and Mrs. John Powell, of Marmaduke. Leon enlisted with H. Company several years ago, and won honors at Morehead for good shooting. He served on the Mexican Border and has left Camp Sevier for the French field. He is a boy who never waits, but offers his services wherever his country needs him. He is 23 years old.

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JOHN WESLEY POWELL



Son of Mr. and Mrs. John Powell, of Marmaduke. John served with H. Company a number of years before joining the Navy. He was first on the old S. S. Franklin, then on the Florida. He is now in France, and loves nothing better than to be working for Uncle Sam in any branch of service where he is needed. Very patriotic and backs all his patriotism with hard and willing labor. He is 25 years old.

78 WHITE MEN TO ENTRAIN SATURDAY

Every White Man In Class One Included In This Allotment--Every Man To Be In Place At 10:30.

RED CROSS WORK IS ENCOURAGING

All Reports Indicate An Oversubscription

With Warrenton "over the top" by approximately fifteen hundred dollars, with the reports of active campaign work in every township in Warren, the County's allotment of \$5,000 for the Second Red Cross War Fund is assured.

Wherever the work of the Red Cross is presented a response is forthcoming and it is the consensus of opinion that never previous to this have our people been as united as they are today in the purpose of seeing that the net of mercy through a sea of pain is sustained by the generosity of the people back home.

The Red Cross Flying Squadron is daily going over the County in an effort to impress the Red Cross upon the people. In this work Mr. Palmer Scoggin, Mr. T. D. Peck, Mr. R. B. Boyd, Mr. Walter Boyd, Mr. Alex. Macon have furnished transportation and working in conjunction with Mrs. Arrington, Mrs. J. G. Ellis, Mrs. Del Peoples and a host of others have given much publicity to the movement and materially benefitted the cause.

Speaking appointments were filled on Wednesday night at Oine by Mr. E. B. Williams; at Norlina by Rev. E. W. Baxter; at Arcola by Hon. John Picot; at Vaughan by Prof. John Graham and W. Brodie Jones. These meetings were of inestimable value to the Cause, it is believed here. The addresses were all along the line of Red Cross work. Following the exercises at Vaughan, Township Chairman Walter Vaughan called for donations and about \$100.00 was subscribed. Another speaking appointment in the County is at Warren Plains tonight where Rev. E. W. Baxter, following an ice cream supper for benefit of the Cause, will deliver an address.

The outlined cross at the Postoffice, representing 50 hundred dollar squares is being rapidly filled in: the cross today showing about \$4,000. It is expected that every township will go over the top in a glorious spirit for this great cause, and that the County will be way ahead when the figures of mercy are added.

W.S.S.

The Burwell Drug Company Closes

Four stars are upon the Service Flag at the Burwell Drug Co., and under this array of patriotic employers the sign, "Closing out, going to war"

After two years or more of faithful competent, obliging service to the people of the County the Burwell Drug Company closes its doors to the public and Mr. W. A. Burwell, proprietor, leaves Saturday for Camp Jackson.

The four stars are for: Mr. W. A. Burwell, who has built of a good business here and leaves many strong patrons and true friends with us; for merry, popular John Powell, who already is serving in Washington State; for Dr. Morton C. Miles, who was competent Prescription druggist of the firm until recently when called to Camp Jackson; and for "Tip" Green, the colored man who worked at the store, and who is now at Camp Grant, Illinois.

Though the firm has stopped work for the Burwell Drug Co., the individuals have gone to work for Uncle Sam, and are serving nobly in this great cause for the preservation of liberty.

Includes all men in Class one and make total of 178 white men sent through local Board:

- Tasker Polk O'Mary, Warren Plains.
- William H. Stewart, Jr., Manson.
- Eddie Gregory Sammon, Merry Mt.
- Eddie Myrick, Macon.
- William Leslie Harris, Inez.
- James Hornaday Williams, Merry Mt.
- Leland Macon Perkinson, Wise.
- Henry Mansfield Fuller, Afton.
- Luther Morton Painter, Wise.
- Geo. Washington Shearin, Macon.
- Malvern Hill Harris, Macon.
- Robert James O'Neal, Elberon.
- Dan Hugh Heflin, Norlina.
- Alvin Orlando Whittemore, Macon.
- Robert Seth Shearin, Warren Plains.
- Verna Thomas Paschall, Norlina.
- John Washington Connor, Macon.
- Russell Clary, Elams.
- Clanton Taylor Perkinson, Wise.
- Davis McDowell Wilson, Norlina.
- Jesse White Newsome, Littleton.
- James Wm. Whittemore, Macon.
- Sam Davis, Inez.
- Allie H. Hicks, Norlina.
- John Boyd Stegall, Warren Plains.
- John Crowell Alston, Littleton.
- Joseph John Macon, Warrenton.
- George William Jones, Warren Plains.
- John Rodgers, Warrenton.
- Davis Allen Spain, Manson.
- James Horace Bolton, Merry Mount.
- Kemp Goodlow Brown, Vaughan.
- William Pendergrass, Henderson.
- Charlie Thomas Frazer, W. Plains.
- Harry Kingsland Kenyon, Macon.
- Henry Van Newsome, Littleton.
- Frank John Harris, Littleton.
- Lewis Stallings, Macon.
- Joseph Speed Jones, Warrenton.
- Willie Brown Bobbitt, Littleton.
- James Ellis Marshall, Inez.
- Theo Short, Elberon.
- Vance Hornaday St. Sing, W. Plains.
- George Cutler Edmunds, Littleton.
- James William Watkins, Macon.
- John Russell Ellis, Macon.
- Joe N. Bobbitt, Littleton.
- William Webb St. Sing, Warren Plains.
- Alpheus Presley Gooch, Ridgeway.
- Wm. Branch Hardy, Grove Hill.
- Clarence Wm. Gooch, Macon.
- Selby Carlton Alston, Arcola.
- Clarence Elder Pierce, Norlina.
- Tasker Jerman Hicks, Norlina.
- Wilton B. Browning, Littleton.
- George Vernon Duke, Marmaduke.
- Willis Garland Gupton, Arcola.
- Stephen Edward Burroughs, War'ton
- John Daniel Cameron, Warrenton.
- Cooper Pruitt, Warrenton.
- Eugene Blair Coleman, Hollister.
- Wm. Armistead Burwell, Warrenton
- Walter Malvin Halthcock, Warrenton
- Claude Carson Williams, Richmond.
- Raymond Allen Harris, Macon.
- Paul Ernest Brauer, Ridgeway.
- Wm. Cally Williams, Macon.
- Jack Fisher, Vaughan.
- Wm. Perry Conn, Arcola.
- George John Schuster, Norlina.
- Charles T. Pendergrass, Henderson.
- Wm. Henry King, Warren Plains.
- George Pettigrew Overby, Macon.
- Robert Thomas Adams, Norlina.
- Jerry Peoples, Henderson.
- William Henry Harrison, Littleton.
- Herman Jackson Munn, W. Plains.
- Lewis A. Spain, Norlina.
- T. R. Walker, Jr., Littleton.

Chautauqua Coming On June 7th

June 7th to 11th are to be five big patriotic days in Warren. Between these dates the Community Chautauqua will bring to Warrenton speakers who have been in actual touch with our boys in France, and speakers who have studied the problems which today are interesting the world. The musical program is featured by the famous Kilties band, which is one of the programs several splendid features in things musical.

Advertising manager Massenburg, assisted by M. C. McGuire, chm. tent committee have let the good news travel by car banners. Arrangements are being made for the tent, and the five day period is to be made one of helpful, patriotic, broadening enjoyment and helpful enthusiasm.

AT OUR HOUSE

Eyes O'Blue and Tousehead Learn About the Red Cross

By JUDD MORTIMER LEWIS

We have talked it over at our house. Talked it over as we have never talked it over before. We did not want Eyes O'Blue to know about it, nor did we want to lay any part of the world's heavy burden upon the heart of Tousehead. We have taught them that the world is a good and a beautiful place, but last night, gathered beneath the light in the humble little parlor at our house, we talked it over between us. Eyes O'Blue and Tousehead were told that, while the world is good, it is not all good; that there are men who have started out to enslave the world and who in the furtherance of that ambition have done awful things.

Gradually as the tale was told they drew nearer until we sat with our arms about them. We told them of hands hacked from baby wrists, of death rained from the sky upon helpless little ones, of murder rising from the sea's green deeps to feed upon helpless mothers and babies.

And then we told them how these splendid soldier boys we see every day are going to the far front to fight and, if need be, die to keep this honor from our land. We told them of burns and wounds and suffering.

And then—we told them of the Red Cross.

We had a number of Red Crosses in our windows, but they had not known. We told them of the bandages and supplies needed to allay suffering. We told them of the noble women who are giving their lives to the binding up of hurts of the boys in khaki.

We told them of the great need of money with which to carry on the work of mercy.

Then Eyes O'Blue in a voice which choked with pity for the distressed spoke of her savings, and Tousehead clasped her hands at the thought.

This morning I went to the bank and withdrew their savings, \$63.29, and they are to be put to work—to a better work than they have been doing.

At our house for the duration of the war we expect to "keep the days," we expect to wear cobbled shoes and patched clothing, and if we ever hesitate in our sacrifice I shall see the faces of Eyes O'Blue and Tousehead as, with tears on their cheeks, they smiled at the thought of the help they might be to the Red Cross.

Are you helping us to carry the Red Cross?

FIGHTING SISTERS OF FIGHTING MEN

Twenty Thousand Nurses Now Enrolled in American Red Cross.

Of the eighty odd thousand registered trained nurses in the United States about 20,000 have enrolled as Red Cross nurses, volunteering their services at the front, in cantonments and hospitals or in any other needed capacities. This enrollment is the nursing reserve of the United States Army Nurse Corps and the United States Navy Nurse Corps, and from it will also be drawn contingents for service under other allied flags than our own. The enrollment goes on at the rate of 1,000 volunteers a month. On a basis of an army of a million men over 30,000 nurses will be required for active duty in the present year.

Up to the last of February over 7,000 nurses had been actually detailed to duty or were ready for immediate mobilization. So it is seen that there are none too many, in view of the requirements of the service, since between time of enrollment and actual assignment to duty the nurse must undergo a period of special study and training for war service, and the work of organizing and mobilizing this "army of mercy" is no small thing.

A Nurse Is a Soldier.

Surgeon General Gorgas has called upon the Red Cross to supply 5,000 nurses for the Army Nurse Corps by June 1, and if this quota is forthcoming the total number detailed will have reached 12,000. So the mobilization of another 18,000 to 25,000 by Jan. 1, 1919, will be a big problem to solve.

Now, a nurse is a soldier. She is recognized officially by the government and included in those eligible for soldiers' and sailors' war insurance. A nurse goes into actual danger of wounds and death by shell fire and bomb explosion. Her work is arduous, exacting, calling for the finest qualities of mind and heart. She is the right hand of the surgeon.

So, because nursing is primarily a woman's job, the war nurse is properly the peculiar responsibility of the women of America. While the trained nurse is urged to volunteer the risk of her life at the front, the American woman at home is commanded by every dictate of patriotism and humanity to support her "fighting sister."

The nurse fights pain, disease and death, making her sacrifice with amazing cheerfulness and enthusiasm.

JOHN MADISON'S FAMILY

When John Madison sailed for France there were no indications that his family would suffer in a pecuniary way while he served his country. John's father was earning good wages. John's younger brother, Henry, a driver, was helping out the family budget.

Then John's father was stricken with pneumonia. His earning power stopped. Henry met with an accident. If John had stayed home he could have carried his mother and little sisters through the crisis. But John was with Pershing overseas. Must his family suffer destitution?

The Madison family's dilemma was reported to the Red Cross and promptly placed in the hands of Home Service. As a result the best medical attention was secured for John's father and brother. Immediate funds were placed in the mother's hands to provide for the household as before the family income stopped. In the brief

space of a few hours Home Service had driven poverty from the absent soldier's home.

The whole aim and object of Home Service is to protect the welfare of the soldier's family while he is away and to maintain as far as possible the same standards of home life that prevailed while he was at home. More than this, when the standard of living is low it is the duty and the opportunity of Home Service to raise the standard.

Think of what it means to John Madison and his legions of comrades in khaki and in blue to realize that in their absence their loved ones will be safeguarded as carefully and as constantly as they themselves would have done. Think what it means to the morale of these brave lads to know that whatever may happen in the perils of warfare the future of their families will not be jeopardized.