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AMERICA HAS SAVED US FROM STARVATION

This is the Cry on Every Lip in Belgium, Says One of Relief Committee.

Rotterdam, Holland, Dec. 6.—London, 7:15 p. m.—“For the last fortnight American food has saved us from starvation,” was the urgent cry of a Belgian committee distributing American relief shipments in Liege province. “All our grain was exhausted,” said, “because it was requisitioned by the German army. Except for a small supply of meat and a meager quantity of old crops we had nothing.”

“The Americans have saved us from starvation,” is the cry on every lip. Every American seen in Liege was hailed as a benefactor. Whenever an automobile carrying an American flag passes in the streets the people take off their hats.

Seventeen thousand tons of wheat has been received in Liege and 25,000 people are being supplied with nearly a half pound each daily. It is not a great quantity for a grown man, but it is saving us from starvation. Rich and poor receive the same amount. Our supply of bread is running out already. We are mixing potato flour with the wheat and by this means we can last another three or four days, by which time we are praying more American wheat will arrive.

“We need 200 tons of wheat daily. The only other food we are able to distribute is less than a quart of soup and until now about a pound of potatoes daily with a tiny quantity of meat occasionally. Distribution is difficult because the Germans commandeered our means of transport. In offering our heartfelt thanks to the American people we pray them to allow their generosity to continue for without them we should have starved and without them we must starve.”

Box Party at Satterfield School House.

There will be a box party given at the Satterfield school house in Mt. Tirzah township, district four, on the night of Dec. 12th. The public is cordially invited.—Miss Allie Garrett, Teacher.

PLANNING FOR 1915

Stockholders of The Person County Fair Association Holds Annual Meeting and Elects Officers.

The stockholders of the Person County Fair Association met in their first annual meeting Monday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock in the court house. There was a good attendance of members present.

Col. D. M. Andrews, Vice-President, presided over the meeting. The report of the Secretary was read, then accepted by the members.

The following officers were elected for the year 1915: Mr. J. A. Carver, President; Mr. T. H. Street, Vice-President; Mr. C. C. Cunningham, re-elected Secretary; and Mr. E. G. Long, re-elected Treasurer.

Plans for the 1915 Fair are already being made and it is hoped by the members to be able to buy a suitable lot and make it the permanent Fair grounds.

Every effort will be made to have the 1915 Fair a great success and now every citizen of person county, whether a stockholder or not, should take a personal interest in Person County's Fair and make next year's Fair the biggest ever.

Rox Supply Company

All subscribers to the Rox Supply Co., will please attend a stockholders meeting in the court house at Roxboro Dec. 19th, at 10 a. m. Much important business will come before this body, therefore every one who can possibly come should do so, for this is our business and other people will not do it for us. Please lay other matters aside and come, for you will be needed.

W. T. Swanson, Pres.
A. L. Rudd, Sec-Treas.

Attention Ladies.

If you are looking for a suitable present for your husband, son or sweetheart then see our line of neckwear, gloves, fancy vests, bath robes and numerous other furnishings for men and boys. Woody, Long & Morton.

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COMMISSIONERS IN SESSION

E. B. Reade Re Elected Chairman of Board—All County Officers Sworn In.

The County Board of Commissioners met in regular session Monday morning with all members present. Mr. J. E. Montague, the newly elected member of the board qualified and was sworn in. Practically all of the business was of routine nature and kept the commissioners busy all the morning. They were in session also in the afternoon.

All of the County officers with the exception of Surveyor qualified and gave bond, which was accepted by the Commissioners.

Mr. E. B. Reade was re-elected chairman of the board for the ensuing year.

James Phillips Struck by Train.

On last Thursday night James Phillips was knocked from the rail road tracks by the train going South. It seems that he was sitting on the track, all drawn up and the engineer when he first noticed him thought it was a dog on the track, but when the whistle was sounded he did not move or attempt to get off the track, and at this time the train was too close to him to stop. Being inside the yard limits the train was running very slow and he was knocked off the track, the cow catcher pushing him off. He was considerably banged up, a gash in the head, a broken arm and several wounds on his legs and body.

The train crew picked him up and he was carried to the Watts hospital in Durham, where it is learned he is getting along all right and expects to be home soon.

This seems to be a favorite spot with Phillips, as just about a year ago he was struck by a train at almost this identical place.

Community Week at Bushy Fork High School

On Wednesday we washed windows at noon. Thursday the boys came in overalls with working implements and cleaned the school grounds and oiled the floor. The girls and teachers scrubbed the floors and cleaned up generally. Friday morning, Dec. 4th, the men assembled about light and worked on the school spring until it began raining. At the school house the door was filled by the following program:

1. Address, “Some Needs of Our Community,” Mr. W. R. Wilkerson.
2. Recitation; by Annie Wilkerson.
3. Song, Little Folks.
4. An Algebra Match.
5. Decisions of pie and bread contest. Then dinner altogether.
6. A debate.
7. Recitation, by Rena Allen.
8. Recitation, by Martha Rice.
9. Song, Little folks.
10. A play, “Slight Misunderstanding.”
11. A spelling match, by the school.

The winners were as follows: Best loaf of bread, a bread medal, Maud Whitfield, age 16. First prize on potato custard, Rena Allen, age 12. Second prize on potato custard, Alice Oliver, age 8. Prize in Algebra Match, Mary Smith. Spelling prize, Rena Allen. Winners in Debate, Jamie Broach, Lemuel Allen.

The Bazaar will serve hot oysters—stewed and fried—chicken salad, cream, cake, coffee and candy. Go to the Bazaar to buy your Christmas goods and get a nice lunch.

RUSSIANS SUFFER SEVERE LOSSES; ARE IN RETREAT

After Fighting, Noted For Its Stubbornness, Germans Occupy Lodz.

Lodz, Dec. 7.—After a long battle fought with the greatest stubbornness, the Germans have succeeded in occupying Lodz, Poland, an unfortified city. According to the Berlin report the Russians suffered severe losses and are in retreat.

This success of the Germans largely because of what preceded it, is considered a remarkable achievement. Less than a fortnight ago the army to which this victory has fallen was surrounded by Russians and cut its way out only at the last moment, losing great numbers of men and many guns. Yet it was able quickly to reorganize, take the offensive and defeat the Russians defending Lodz.

This was made possible by the network of strategic railways on the German side of the frontier, over which reinforcements can be sent where they are most needed. The Russians, on the other hand, vigorously attacked on both wings were unable to send fresh men to stiffen their center to meet the Germans wedge and were compelled to fall back.

There undoubtedly will be much more fighting before the campaign in this district is concluded. The whole Russian line is now straightened out and will contest every foot of ground with the invaders.

In the meantime, taking advantage of the pre-occupation of the Germans in the east, the allied French, Belgian and British forces have begun an offensive movement in the west. They are now virtually in possession of, the left bank of the Yser canal and in Northern France particularly in the neighborhood of Labassee, where the Germans hold a very strong position, the allies are beginning to feel their way eastward. The same process is being followed along the whole front.

The official statement speaks of “the superiority of our offensive,” and the “marked advantage of the French artillery over that of the Germans.”

The advance in the northwest has ended for the present at least, in the opinion of many, the German menace of the coast ports. It is believed that so long as the Germans are compelled to keep up the strength of their army in the east, they will be unable to assume the offensive in the west. There is a report, however, that the Germans have kept the pick of their western army in the Aisne valley whence, at an opportune moment, they can hurl it against the French lines and make another effort to get through to Paris.

King Peter of Serbia, who has been ill for many months, has assumed command of the Serbian army, and according to a Nish report has checked the advance of the Austrians, inflicting heavy losses on them. The Austrian reply to this is that “the occupation of Belgrade necessitates the regrouping of our troops.”

The political news of the day was the authoritative announcement from Sofia that it was not considered possible anything would intervene to make it necessary for Bulgaria to change her policy of strict neutrality until next spring.

Market Closes Dec. 18, 1914.

At a meeting of the Tobacco Board of Trade Monday at the Winstead Warehouse it was decided to close the Roxboro market on Friday December 18th, 1914. It was also decided to open the market on January 4th, 1914.

Moriah Items.

Mr. Pomp Day's little girl Mollie Bet after being sick several days is much improved.

Mr. John Bumpass died December 1 1914 of that dreadful malady cancer. He bore his suffering with all reconciliation.

He was a consistent member of Bethany Baptist Church, and was faithful to attend as long as his health would permit.

He leaves to mourn his death a wife and two daughters Mrs. W. H. Tilley of Durham, N. C. and Mrs. Reid of Tennessee, besides a host of friends and relatives.

The remains were laid to rest in the cemetery at Bethany Church on the following day.

Mr. Earley Williford and Miss Mary Clayton ran away and were married last fourth Sunday.

Mr. O'Briant and Miss Claire Daniel were married at the bride's home last third Sunday p. m.

The Moriah school had their pictures made last Friday. Mr. Chappel of Roxboro doing the work.

Mrs. Robert Hunt and little son of Culbreth spent a few days last week, with her mother Mrs. J. T. Newton.

Honor Roll Moriah Public School second month:

First grade—Kathleen Arrington.

Second grade—Mary Mangum.

Third grade—Henderson Bowles and Roy Hill.

Fourth grade—Charlie Day and Bernice Mangum.

Fifth grade—Pervis Gray, Sallie Riggs, Zelma Mangum, and Broxie Meadows.

Seventh grade—Iola Day.

Bushy Fork High School News.

Last Friday night a box party was held at the school. Quite a crowd was present and seemed to have an enjoyable time. \$25.40 was raised for teachers' chairs, etc.

An “Experience Party” was held at the school recently by the children. Something over \$8 was raised for oiling the floors and buying shades and curtains. Mary Hester won the prize for getting up the most money.—(This was intended for last issue, but was crowded out.—Eds.)

PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL MESSAGE TO CONGRESS

America Ready Any Moment to Defend Itself So Declares The President in Answering Critics

Washington, D. C., Dec. 8.—President Wilson, in his annual address to Congress today, coupled with a defense of the country's military preparedness a word of assurance to business that it would not be embarrassed by further legislation. He said the trust and currency legislative progress of his administration virtually had been completed and that there was a clear and firm road ahead on which honest men might travel with perfect confidence.

For passage at this session, the President urged, measures to meet the changed conditions due to the European war, particularly the government ship purchase bill; measures to unlock resources of the national domain and to encourage improvement of navigable waters for generation of power, and the bill already passed by the House to give “a larger measure of self-government to the people of the Philippines.”

Society Notes.

The Research club held a delightful meeting with Mrs. Mamie Merritt, on Wednesday afternoon. Eleven responded to roll call with some current events on Mexico.

Mrs. Dunlap was the reader for an interesting lesson on “the life of the people of Mexico.”

After the literary program the hostess served an elegant lunch.

One of the most enjoyable meetings of the Twice Eight Club was held with Mrs. B. R. Long, Friday afternoon, a number of guests were invited beside club members' six tables had been attractively arranged for Progressive Rook, and at the conclusion of an interesting game the hostess assisted by Mrs. Reginald Harris, served a salad course, hot chocolate, cake and candies.

Watch for Hunter's ad.



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