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## BE SURE TO SEE THIS PICTURE

The American Legion picture, "Flashes from Action" which will be presented by the Local Post of the American Legion at the Princess Theatre, Southern Pines, Monday night, January 15th, will be of unusual interest to the people of this section inasmuch as there will be shown pictures of events and battles in which some of the local Legionnaires took active part.

For one example a portion of the first film of this picture will show the 39th and 58th Infantry regiments of the United States Fourth Division advancing under machine gun and artillery barrage fire, in that portion of the so-called Battle of the Argonne Forest which took place in the Fourth Division's Sector, which lay between lofty Montfaucon, the hill from which the Crown Prince watched his Prussian Guards hurl themselves against the living wall of Frenchmen who protected Verdun in 1914, and the village of Nantillois. Colonel Bolles, who spent last winter at the Southland Hotel and whose family is spending this winter in the Powell House commanded the 39th regiment of the Fourth Division and as the Colonel was always to be found in the thickest of the fight it is just possible that he may be seen in this picture. Shields Cameron, who is Service Officer of the Local Legion Post, was also a member of the 16th Field Artillery of the Fourth Division and no doubt helped to lay the barrage for this advance which was filmed by the Signal Corps. Hugh Betterly was a member of the engineer regiment of the Fourth and no doubt was busy laying roads or building bridges for the infantry as they made their advance. Doubtless there were others unknown to us in this vicinity, who were near, or may come up in this great picture which was taken by the members of the Signal Corps at great danger to themselves in order that an accurate photographic record of the Great War might be kept.

Another part of the picture which may show something of local interest will be sketches of the 30th Division in their sector near Bellicourt. The 30th, or "Old Hickory" is North Carolina's own National Guard Division to which many of the boys from this locality belonged.

There are other interesting things which will be shown in this picture that have never been shown in moving pictures here before. As we all know no private syndicate was allowed to take pictures on the front. The government reserved this right for itself in order to keep spys out, and while some pictures were released to be shown to the public in order that they might have some general idea of the manner of the struggles, the great attacks, which were planned and executed with the utmost secrecy have just now been collected and presented to the public through the American Legion.

There will be given two presentations of this picture at the Princess Monday night. One will commence at 7:30 p. m., the other at 9:15. Reserved seats will be placed on sale at Hayes Saturday night at 9 a. m.

## NOTICE

Those who wish to take the Reading Circle work with the Cameron group will please meet with them at the graded school building, Saturday, January 20, at 10 a. m.

Assignment: First three chapters of Pittman's Successful Teaching.

J. E. DOWD.

Cameron, N. C.

## CAMERON NEWS

Miss Elizabeth Ray was hostess to the Young Ladies Auxiliary an evening during the Christmas holidays.

A sermon that was sublime and helpful, a sermon that showed us the right way in the beginning of our journey through the year of 1923, was preached Sunday morning at the Presbyterian church by Rev. M. D. McNeill.

Misses Lillian and Thurla Cole were dinner guests Thursday of their aunt, Mrs. J. A. Phillips, and Miss Mary Ferguson.

Mrs. D. W. McNeill and Miss Ada McNeill spent Friday afternoon with Misses Cassie and Margaret McLaughlin, on Carthage route 2.

After spending the holidays with her mother Miss Kate Harrington returned to Charlotte, Sunday, where she is located as graduate nurse.

Rev. and Mrs. M. D. McNeill spent Monday in Sanford the guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Teague.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Rogers and family were visitors, Sunday, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Wooten.

Misses Lady Loving and Lily May Rogers, and Messrs. Carl Edwin Loving and James Rogers were supper guests during the holiday season of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Jones at their beautiful home, Edgewood.

Rev. O. B. Mitchell, of Goldston, was a guest, Sunday night, of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Gaddy.

Miss Chrissie McLean, the genial hostess of the Greenwood Inn, is laid up with a sprained ankle. All hope for her a speedy recovery.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Thomason, Sunday morning—a son.

Rev. M. J. McLean, of Louisiana, spent the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Margaret McLean and family on route 2.

William Pitt Cameron, Jr., of the White Hill section, passed away Sunday morning after a lingering illness, at the home of W. G. Wicker. Funeral services from White Hill church, conducted by Rev. Clark, of Carthage. Interment in White Hill cemetery.

Miss Cattie McDonald who is at Waxhaw, at the bedside of her brother, Mr. Duncan McDonald, who is critically ill, writes there is no improvement.

The correspondent is pleased to acknowledge a strikingly handsome new year calendar, with the season's greetings from the Brown Buick Service Station, Sanford. A beautiful Indian maiden, reclining upon a rock overlooking the deep blue waters of a lake. The picture is bordered with wampum and Indian trophies.

On Friday night the 12th, there will be a pie contest at the school building. Three lovely prizes will be given for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd best.

Mrs. McBryde, of St. Andrews, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Ab. Vick on route 2.

Mr. Esnor Harbour, of Rockford, is visiting his brother, Dr. Harbour at Breezy Summit.

Miss Elizabeth Bunn, teacher, of music in Cameron high school, has another musical class at Pinehurst.

Mrs. H. T. Petty, who suffered a stroke of paralysis over two years ago, from which she has never recovered, had another slight stroke last week. She is reported resting quietly. Mrs. C. C. Jones, Mrs. Duncan Rogers, of Fayetteville, Mrs. Edgar Petty, of Washington, D. C., Mrs. Charles Sinclair, of Carthage, and Miss Kate Cole, of Carthage are in attendance at her bedside.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. V. Hartsell, of Morven, were holiday guests of their parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Hartsell.

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## JACKSON SPRINGS NEWS

Miss Myrtle Smith, of route 2, was among the eighty-nine successful applicants for state nurses' licenses at a recent examination held in Raleigh by the State Board of Examiners. Miss Smith is the very popular young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emery Smith, and received her training at the McConnell Hospital near Vass, and at a Winston-Salem hospital.

School opened here last Wednesday after the Christmas vacation. Miss Stepenson who has a music class has not returned on account being ill with influenza.

There has been no influenza here in some time. The situation in the Big Oak section of this county and at Norman is improving. Vince Usery, a well known business man and farmer of Norman died Sunday morning. Mr. Hogan, superintendent of the Snow Lumber Company Mills in the Sandhills does not show any improvement, while Mrs. Hogan with others who have had pneumonia are slowly improving. Several nurses are in Norman and the doctors in the surrounding section have been giving constant attention to the victims of influenza in that community.

Slim Sercy can boast of a fine hog again this year, although it was nothing to compare with the weight of Mr. Maness' out on the McConnell road from Carthage. Mr. Sercy's hog was not so old. It weighed 444 pounds while its mate owned by Lonnie Blue weighed 440 pounds. We boast of our hog weights when they should be larger. At the Johnson Boarding house they usually have large hogs. Before stock law went into effect the writer remembers Mr. Johnson killing a 13 months old hog that weighed 518 pounds. It was a Duroc and was some hog in those days.

Speaking of stock law reminds us that D. A. McDonald has introduced a bill in the Senate of the General Assembly to encourage livestock raising in Moore county. We do not know what he has in mind, but we do know when he was representing us in the legislature about sixteen years ago he passed a bill that he should be remembered by future generations. There was some opposition just as there have been in some of the Eastern counties. It caused some hardships on many, for the people were not prepared and some did not want to prepare. Hogs claimed by some who owned little land or none at all made beds under many of our small school houses. We remember one man selling his cows in the woods to a local hotel. He did not know how many he had for many of them had grown wild. One man in Montgomery county spent his winter months splitting rails from long leaf pine to make a fence 10 rails high for a sandhill cow pasture when a few dollars would have bought enough wire to fence in a pasture and his timber would have brought enough to on the market to have fenced in his pasture hog tight and horse high.

Since stock law went into effect this entire section has made rapid strides in agriculture and is becoming better known than any section in the United States. While we are making money with tobacco, cotton, peaches, dewberries and grapes we should think of our opportunities in manufacturing. In the last decade North Carolina has become a great cotton mill state with the New England mill men immigrating to the Carolinas and Georgia for all conditions are much better in the South. North Carolina is growing farmers in many kinds of manufacturing.

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## TWO BIG CO-OPS COMBINE

Officials of the North Carolina Extension Division and the Tobacco and Cotton Co-operatives of three states completed a three-day of conference at Raleigh last week, which promises a program of marketing, and production among organized tobacco and cotton farmers that will prove a practical benefit and profit to some 75,000 growers of these leading staple crops, in North Carolina alone.

Dr. B. W. Kilgore, director of Extension for North Carolina at this meeting of the co-operatives and Extension workers emphasized the great value of local organizations and county associations of the co-operatives and said: "The agricultural work on which so much time and money has been spent in the past should go forward now by leaps and bounds because of these associations."

The plan adopted by leaders of the Extension Division and co-operative marketing associations provides that the community locals composed of members of both cotton and tobacco associations are to be organized in each rural school district wherever these two crops are grown together in North Carolina. The officers and other delegates from the local community organizations compose the county councils, which are to meet at the court house of each tobacco and cotton-growing county every month. In the local meetings which are now held every week by man community organizations of the cotton and tobacco co-operatives, a combined program is planned for the future, with the object of securing more of the crops raised in their district to the co-operative associations and to gain more efficient farm production and a richer community life.

According to the present plan the county agents and the field leaders of the associations will meet with these county councils in their monthly conferences, will aid in solving local problems in co-operative marketing and profitable production of cotton and tobacco.

Experts of the North Carolina Extension Service will assist the organized tobacco and cotton farmers in selection of seeds, improvement of varieties, combating of wild-fire, boll weevil and plant diseases and in other immediate problems which can be more effectively overcome by local organization than by individual effort.

The local meetings of the co-operatives will frequently be open to all cotton and tobacco farmers both within and without the association who desire the benefit of advice on economical production and better marketing.

More than 1500 local units of the Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Association are now active in North Carolina, Virginia and South Carolina. F. V. Shelton, in charge of field work in Virginia, and W. E. Lee, directing the organization of tobacco locals in South Carolina, emphasized the importance of the locals in their states in increasing membership and improving methods of production.

New members are signing up with the co-operatives in Eastern North Carolina, according to the reports of field workers at Raleigh last week. Bankers and business men are highly pleased with the circulation of money from the second payments to tobacco and cotton farmers and many banks which were formerly neutral are now enthusiastically supporting the co-operatives.

A much larger membership and better delivery are predicted for the 1923 crop of tobacco throughout the three states by the field service representatives of the tobacco co-operatives.

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