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Farmer Buys \$1,000 Worth W. S. S.

In Tuesday's paper we asked who would be the first Johnston County farmer to buy a thousand dollars worth of War Savings Stamps. Mr. John T. Talton, cashier of the Clayton Banking Company, writes us that he sold a thousand dollars worth of these to a Cleveland township farmer on January 26th. We are glad to learn of this. There are many other Johnston County farmers who will invest that much in this good government security before the year is out.

The people of Johnston County are getting interested in the War Savings Stamps. This is well, for unless the people lend the government the money that is needed to carry on the war taxes will be levied to pay the cost. The war will have to be paid for, and it will be better to lend the government money in the way of Liberty Bonds and War Savings Stamps than to have to pay more taxes. More taxes will have to be paid any way, but if the government is able to borrow from the people enough funds to keep from raising taxes higher than the last government bill provided for, it will be far better. When one lends to the government he helps his country and at the same time makes a good investment. Liberty Bonds and War Savings are not taxable.

It was Robert Louis Stevenson who said that the secret of wealth is to "Earn a little, Spend a little less."

A Little Thing Changes a Career.

Little things often shape a man's career. It is that when John L. Sullivan, who died recently, was a young man he was fond of baseball. While at work with pick and shovel with a sewer gang in Boston, he worked on week days and played ball on Sunday. One day the boss of the gang announced that in order to hasten up the job they were on they would work on Sunday. This interfered with John L.'s plans for playing ball, so he went to the boss and asked to be excused from the Sunday work. Whereupon the boss began cursing the future champion for his nerve. Not liking the language used John doubled up his huge right fist and landed a crashing blow against the boss's jaw. Five minutes later the boss awoke. This gave John L. a reputation among his friends who urged him to give up baseball and become a prize-fighter. He took their advice. If he had not loved baseball he would not have hit the boss and maybe never entered the prize fighting ring.

Hanging on Threads.

The great business world swings along with majesty and makes itself believe that with system, with money, with brains it can simply go on and on, defying everything except death. And it never stops to think on what slender threads it hangs. Take the case in Richmond where the supply of certain oils was exhausted and the gas plant closed down. This put out of commission four daily newspapers. The newspapers had electricity. They could run their machinery. They could do a great many things, but because their type-setting machines are dependent on gas for heating purposes, heat to get the metal hot and keep it hot to cast the lines of type, one little part of the big system being out of commission put the whole business on the bum.

One railroad bridge will stop the traffic of a city if it happens to go down. One little thing, just a trifle, puts out of commission thousands of workmen; stops the wheels. In other words, one single thread holds together the great network, but in our rush we fail to realize it or appreciate it.—Everything.

Township Boards Meeting Dates.

The following township boards of agriculture will hold their monthly meetings on these dates.
Wilders, second Tuesday at two o'clock in the afternoon.
Elevation, first Thursday at two in the afternoon.
Beulah, second Thursday at two in the afternoon.
Smithfield, first Saturday at two in the afternoon.
Banner, first Thursday at ten in the morning.
Pleasant Grove, second Friday at ten in the morning.
Onals, third Thursday at ten in the morning.
Bentonville, first Tuesday at two in the afternoon.
Meadow, first Tuesday at ten in the morning.
Boon Hill, third Tuesday at two in the afternoon.
I will be present at all of the meetings at which we will discuss the particular farm problems and then proceed to solve them. From time to time I will have specialists with me when the problems demand them. The new Home Demonstration agent will also probably be at these meetings. As soon as the other townships elect their officers for their township board of agriculture their meeting dates will be arranged. We will handle everything that comes up through these boards, hereafter. If we pull together we cannot fail.
A.M. JOHNSON,
Farm Demonstrator.

The Farmer and His Rights.

The farmer has been unduly agitated over supposed hardships imposed upon him by the Food Administrator. It develops that if he has been provident enough to fortify himself with wheat substitutes at home, he will have no difficulty in securing a reasonable supply of wheat—as much at any rate, as other people are privileged to buy. In the matter of the old hen and pullet regulation, it transpires that the farmer is not affected. The law was made for the benefit of the dealers and cold storage men. While farmers are not prohibited by law from killing their own hens and pullets, the Food Administrator suggests that this stock be conserved and none killed uselessly, and with that suggestion all patriotic people will be inclined to co-operate for the benefit of the whole country.—Charlotte Observer.

A Questionnaire.

"Wonder how blockaders get the invaluable cap and worms for their outfits?" asked some one. They make 'em. We do not know exactly how the cap is made but they say any child can make a worm by getting copper pipe, filling it with wet sand and bending it around a tree. "But where do they get the sheet copper and copper pipe, no one sells it here?" Well, some one said a man in Smithfield, the name of whom we have forgotten, just can't keep it on hand. Our informant said this man no doubt knew the copper was being bought for the purpose of fitting up distilleries. "That is wrong, isn't it?" Yes, we are sure it is. You know Paul said: "If eating meat causeth my brother to offend, I will eat no more meat as long as the world stands."—Benson Review.

UNNECESSARY MAIL DELAYS.

We have much complaint from our subscribers living on R. F. D. Routes Nos. 1 and 2 from Bentonville Post-office. They get The Herald which is published on Tuesday on Thursday, and the one published on Friday they get it the next Monday. The delay is caused by the carrier from Four Oaks, who carries the Bentonville mail failing to get to Bentonville in time for the carriers from Bentonville to get it before the time they have to leave on their routes. The two routes from Bentonville are long ones and the carriers have to leave about ten o'clock, or soon after, in order to make their trip back by night. The carrier from Four Oaks is held there until the southbound mail which arrives about eight o'clock is in and distributed. There are a few people living on these routes who take a daily paper and the mail is held back for these when the large majority who take no daily paper have to do without their mail a whole day longer than necessary. The mails should be regulated to suit and serve the larger number of folks. We make this statement because so many have spoken to us about this condition. Perhaps the matter will be remedied somewhat after the days get a little warmer and longer.

Today the subject of War Savings Stamps will be brought to a large number of Johnston County schools. It will mean that the school children will buy more stamps next week than any week heretofore.

PORTRAIT GALLERY OF OUR SOLDIER BOYS



HUNTER MCGUIRE WOODALL.

Corporal Hunter McGuire Woodall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Woodall, was born in Johnston County twenty-one years ago. For some time prior to his enlistment in the army he lived in Smithfield. His parents lived here and in Smithfield township until a year or so ago when they moved to Harnett County. Mr. Woodall volunteered for service in the North Carolina Motor Truck Company No. 1, June 20, 1917, and was quartered in Raleigh for some weeks before going to Camp Sevier. His company is Company A, 105th Supply Train.



ROBBIE T. MASSENGILL.

Robbie T. Massengill, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Massengill, of Ingalls township, volunteered for service in Uncle Sam's Navy July 22, 1917, and entered the service on August 1, 1917. He is at Norfolk, Va., where he is receiving instruction at the 51st Detention Camp. Mr. Massengill is 22 years of age.



ENOCH P. GRICE.

Private Enoch P. Grice, twenty-three years old, is a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Grice, of Beulah township. Early in January, 1917, he volunteered for service in Uncle Sam's National Guard. He went to Newport News, Va., 15th of April, 1917. While there he helped guard the docks and shipping until the Fourth Virginia Regiment was mobilized in the early part of August. Then he went with Company B to Camp McClellan, Aniston, Alabama. The first of January, 1918, he was given a commission as a machinist, and was sent to the San Antonio Military Branch in Texas.

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE.

Having qualified as Administratrix with the will annexed of Mrs. Anna M. Poo, I hereby request all persons having claims against her estate, to present the same to me within one year from the date hereof.

MISS MATTIE T. POU,
Adm'r with will annexed
of Mrs. Annie M. Poo,
Smithfield, N. C.

ITEMS FROM FOUR OAKS.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lee, of Bennettsville, S. C., are visiting Mrs. Lee's father, Mr. K. L. Barbour.
Mr. W. D. Boone and attorney J. R. Barbour, of Benson, were in town Tuesday on business.
Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Oliver, of Charleston, S. C., are visiting Mr. Oliver's mother, Mrs. P. E. Oliver.
Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Adams and daughter, Mrs. Ben F. Royall, visited Mr. and Mrs. Adams' daughter, Mrs. W. C. Boren, Jr., of Greensboro, last week.
Attorney F. Hunter Creech, of Washington, D. C., is visiting his mother, Mrs. E. Creech.
Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Creech and family, of Smithfield, visited friends here Sunday.
Mr. Pharo Blackman while driving a young mule to a wagon had a very painful accident. The mule became frightened at a passing automobile and ran away, throwing Mr. Blackman from the wagon and dislocated his knee.
Miss Onie Lewis accompanied by Miss Lee, of Atlantic Christian College, of Wilson, visited her parents Saturday and Sunday, returning to Wilson Monday.
Messrs. G. K. Massengill, Henry Tucker, B. I. Tart, Mrs. Paschal and Miss Moore motored to Raleigh Sunday to hear the speech of Congressman Hobson.
Mr. J. W. Brown is attending the State Highway Commission meeting at Chapel Hill.—Reporter.

WILSON'S MILLS ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Wilson returned last week from a trip to New York. While there they visited their son, Nosh R. Wilson, who is in naval training.
Miss Ellen Uzzle, of Meredith, Col. and Mr. Marshall Uzzle, of Wake Forest, spent the past week-end with relatives here.
Misses Audrey Johnson and Bertie Strickland, students at King's Business College, spent last week-end with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Johnson.
Miss Maggie Parrish was the guest of friends and relatives in Selma last week.
We are very sorry to chronicle the illness of Mrs. Phoebe Youngblood. Her many friends wish for her a speedy recovery.
Miss Bessie Rouse and Mrs. J. Y. Joyner returned to their home in Raleigh Monday, after visiting their sister, Mrs. W. G. Wilson.
Mr. P. E. Davis, of Florence, S. C., spent last week-end with his parents Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Davis.—Stylus.

Pomona and Basket Ball.

On February 16th, the basket ball teams of Pomona and Oak Grove played an exciting game at Pomona. The score was 8 to 10 in favor of Pomona.
The lineup was as follows:
Pomona—Dessie Talton, R. F.; John Talton, L. F.; Joseph Hamilton, C.; Ruffin Hill, R. G.; Irving Talton, L. G.
Oak Grove—Robert Adams, R. F.; Robert Laughter, L. F.; R. H. Baker, C.; Clarence Johnson, R. G.; George Wallace, L. G.
We also want to correct the mistake made in The Herald concerning the game played between Pomona and Oak Grove February 1, 1918. The score was 10 to 13 in favor of Pomona. The lineup was as follows:
Pomona—James Hill, R. F.; William Godwin, L. F.; Ashley Powell, C.; Millard Hill, R. G.; Johnnie Talton, L. G.
Brogden—T. Pittman, R. F.; Gardner, L. F.; Dayton, C.; Capps, R. G.; Overly, L. G.
Pomona is around here.—D. F. T.

Selling the War Stamps.

There is one Mecklenburg postmaster who is doing his share in the sale of the War Savings Stamps. Postmaster Cranford at Davidson had sold, at last report, \$5,000 worth of stamps, and the calculation is that this is an average of \$2.50 for each man, woman and child who gets mail from his office. Mr. Cranford also says that the rural delivery carriers are doing fine work, one man having sold \$400 worth of stamps among the people along his route. Early in the campaign The Observer pointed out the excellent opportunities postmasters and rural carriers had for disposing of the War Savings Stamps, citing as an instance the performance of a Davidson County carrier who brought back over \$400 from the sale of stamps on his first trip.—Charlotte Observer.

I HAVE SOME CALIFORNIA PRIVATE Hedge for sale at a reduced rate. See H. S. Powell, Smithfield, N. C.

Bon Ton
THE LADIES' STORE

A large stock of Early Spring Suits, Coats and the most fashionable Dresses for Spring just received.

You are cordially invited to see these goods and buy your Suits, Coats and Dresses at the right price.

We are leaders in Ladies' Ready-to-Wear, and keep up with the styles.

Bon Ton
Smithfield, N. C.

It is
A WISE PLAN
To buy your garden seed early

Come and get your Seed Here before our stock is Depleted. Then Plant Your Garden and Raise all the Vegetables you can. And in the meantime buy your canned goods from us to Supply your wants until your Garden is ready to feed you.

City Grocery

Phone 1 Smithfield, N. C.

Big Lot Early Red Bliss Seed Irish Potatoes Just Received

Irish Cobblers on the way. See us for flour and feed stuffs.

S. C. Turnage

Smithfield, N. C.

ALL KINDS OF FERTILIZERS Now on hand. Austin-Stephenson Co.

PURE BRED WHITE WYANDOTTE eggs \$1.25 per setting, postpaid. Ira B. Massengill, Four Oaks, N. C., R. 2.

FLOUR MILLS—OUR MEADOWS Whole Wheat Flour Mills are the best on the market. With small investment you can grind your own and neighborhood wheat. Roberts-Atkinson Co., Inc., Selma, N. C.

WE SELL THE NEW WAY AIR Cooled Gasoline Engine. Cotter Hardware Company, Smithfield.

IF YOU WANT TO SELL YOUR farm to the best advantage see us. Abell & Gray, Smithfield, N. C.

FLOUR PANIC IS NOT KNOWN to the man who raises his own wheat and has one of our Meadow's Mills. Let us sell you a Grain Drill, Reaper and Binder, Gasoline Engine and a Meadows Flour Mill. They will pay for themselves. Do your own work and make you a profit. Roberts-Atkinson Co., Inc., Selma, N. C.

PLOWS AND PLOW CASTING. Disc and Section Harrows, International Harvester Co., and A-cme makers. Roberts-Atkinson Company, Selma, N. C.

WE ARE IN THE MARKET FOR several farms, of different sizes. If you want to sell see us. Abell & Gray, Smithfield, N. C.

IF YOU WANT TO SELL YOUR farm it will pay you to figure with with us. Abell & Gray, Smithfield, N. C.

FOR SALE—SEVERAL RHODE ISLAND Red cockerels at \$1.50 each. Eggs 15 for \$1.25. R. A. Bain, Four Oaks, N. C.

A FEW LITTLE DUTCH SULKY Plows that we can save you money on. Austin-Stephenson Company.

LABOR IS SCARCE AND HIGHLY improved farm machinery overcomes these, in fact, with the laborer taken away, its the only possible chance to supply the demand for farm product. Come see our lines and let us show you what can be done with them. Roberts-Atkinson Co., Inc., Selma, N. C.

ANOTHER CAR HEART CEDAR Shingles just received. Cotter Hardware Co.

TWO CAR LOADS BUGGIES JUST unloaded. Cotter-Underwood Company, Smithfield, N. C.

KEROSENE ENGINES—CHEAPEST power to be had. We can furnish you any horse power, to run your mill, gin or anything where power is required. Roberts-Atkinson Co., Inc., Selma, N. C.

TWO CAR LOADS OF ASPHALT roofing just received. Cotter Hardware Company, Smithfield, N. C.

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