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PLANNING TO HONOR THE SOLDIER BOYS

Committee Met in Selma Monday Night and Made Plans for Great Celebration on July Fourth—Committee Enjoyed Barbecue Supper. Selma Debaters Off to Chapel Hill. S. P. Wood Gets Collar Bone Broken.

Selma, May 1.—Miss Eunice Keel and Miss Jessie McKee, teachers in the Selma public schools, went to Chapel Hill Thursday morning accompanied by Jennings Talton, Margie Benoy, Emma Lucas Ward and Julia Ashworth, Selma's debaters in the State-wide triangular debating contest. The finals in the contest take place Friday night at Chapel Hill.

Among the Selma people who attended the dance in Smithfield Monday night were Misses Mildred Perkins, Lena Griffin, Lena Jones, Ruby Griffin, Messrs. Claybourne Massey and Walter Haynes.

Mrs. E. H. Moser and sister, Miss Ruth Folger; Misses Louie Delle Pittman, Eunice Keel, Anna Belle Warren; Mrs. Avera Winston and Miss Julia Ashworth, went to Raleigh Saturday to attend the play "Out of the Kitchen."

Miss Maude Shamburger, of Wilson, and Mr. A. O. Bray, of North Wilkesboro, spent a part of Saturday in Selma with friends.

Miss Margaret Boseman, of Mount Olive, one of Selma's last year's teachers, passed through the city this morning on her way to Chapel Hill.

Miss Sallie Kilpatrick of Kinston, spent Monday night in town with her sister, Miss Mary Kilpatrick.

Mrs. J. H. Jones recently returned to Selma from Dillon, S. C., where she has been visiting her mother.

Frank Ray and Houston Reynolds, students at the University, spent the week-end in Selma with their parents.

Ed Creech, of Trinity, spent the week-end in Selma with his mother.

Mr. S. P. Wood had the misfortune to get his collar bone broken in a near automobile accident Monday. Mr. Charlie Wiggs and others were on their way to Anderson, S. C., to purchase Anderson cars. After reaching the sandy roads in the Palmetto State, Mr. Wiggs was speeding up a little to make up lost time. He met a car in a narrow sandy place, so that the passing seemed to mean a collision or turn over. Mr. Wood preferred to jump rather than to risk either of the other chances. His fall resulted in a broken bone. The result is not serious and Mr. Wood expects to be on the streets in a few days as well as ever.

About fifty delegates, representing fifteen of the seventeen townships in the county met in Selma Monday night and started the "ball to rolling" sure enough for the celebration in honor of the returning soldiers. A permanent organization was perfected with Dr. George D. Vick president, L. T. Royall, vice-president; E. H. Moser, secretary-treasurer, and L. D. Debnam, chief marshal. An executive committee consisting of one man from each township was elected as follows: Benson, Ezra Parker; Bentonville, E. T. Westbrook; Kenly, P. D. Gray; Princeton, George Woodard; Clayton, J. D. Barbour; Cleveland, John O. Ellington; Elevation, J. Shep Johnson; Ingrams, G. K. Massengill; Meadow, G. V. Blackman; Selma, the officers; Oneals, W. H. Brown; Pine Level, C. I. Godwin; Pleasant Grove, C. I. Ogburn; Smithfield, L. T. Royall; Wilson Mills, W. G. Wilson; Micro, C. A. Fitzgerald; Wilders, J. W. Barnes.

There were some other things done, too. The delegates, before getting into the business session, had made away with a barbecued hog and the accessories that naturally go with a barbecue to make it appetizing. So the attitude for doing things was fine. The delegates are to appoint marshals right away that will assist them in raising the quota of money allotted to the various townships. An elaborate program that will give the soldiers the very best time possible is the plan. Not too much speech making or marching will be expected. But a big dinner, plenty of music by the brass bands, an aeroplane, a baseball game, free lemonade, cigars and other refreshments for the khaki and naval dressed men are among the attractions that we are trying to arrange. The common opinion among the dele-

BOAT CAPSIZES AND FIVE PEOPLE DROWN.

Rocky Mount, April 29.—The funeral services over the bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Vance Carrington, Abe Carrington and two young women named Briley, who were drowned in Contentnea Creek, three miles from Snow Hill on Sunday afternoon, was held near Stokes, in Pitt county, this afternoon, according to advices from Snow Hill.

The bodies of the five persons were recovered from the waters of the creek yesterday morning after a search of several hours.

It seems Mr. and Mrs. Carrington, Abe Carrington, Vance's brother, and the two Briley sisters, got into a row boat for the purpose of taking a pleasure trip down the creek. The water where the drownings occurred was deep. As all parties were drowned, exactly how the tragedy occurred will probably never be known. It is supposed, however, that the boat was overloaded and that the weight of the five persons caused it to capsize. None of the party could swim and this chiefly accounts for the fact that all went to a watery grave. The bodies were recovered ten or fifteen feet from the bank.

The tragedy was not uncovered until late Sunday afternoon when relatives became uneasy because the party did not return home within a reasonable time. An investigation was started and the finding of an article of clothing led the searchers to believe all were lost. This belief was borne out yesterday morning.—News and Observer.

Rocky Mount Railroad Man Hurt.

Wilson, April 30.—Claude Woodard, roadmaster of the Atlantic Coast Line from Rocky Mount to Pee Dee, is in a local hospital with a broken nose and shattered jawbone, and Lloyd Johnson, a young white man of Lucama, who has been section master for the A. C. L., is charged with having inflicted the serious injury. Mr. Woodard is expected to recover although seriously hurt.

Mrs. C. H. Beckwith Dies at Clayton.

Mrs. C. H. Beckwith, for many years a resident of Raleigh, died at 4 o'clock yesterday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ashley Horne, in Clayton. The funeral service will be conducted at 1:30 this afternoon there by Dr. T. W. O'Kelly, her former pastor.

Mrs. Beckwith was 88 years old and was the daughter of the late Edwin Holloman, of the New Hill section of Wake county. Besides Mrs. Horne she is survived by two other daughters and one son: Mrs. George L. Walker, of Atlanta; Mrs. Jackson Olive, of Clayton, and J. C. Beckwith, of Troy. She also leaves one brother, J. M. Holleman, of Apex.—News and Observer, 1st.

Late Chicks Need Plenty of Shade.

West Raleigh, N. C., May 1.—Late hatched chicks often fail to make satisfactory growth because proper shade is not within their range. Somewhere there are fruit trees, berry bushes, shade trees, and wild growth, that can be utilized while such crops as corn and velvet beans can be quickly and easily grown for shade. There is no objection to growing good chicks and good corn on the same lot of land, each crop helping the success of the other. Raise more poultry by giving better summer conditions to your chicks.

gates present was that the country wanted to do the thing up in a way that will really honor our returning boys. Each township through its representatives spoke earnestly and enthusiastically about the celebration.

It is a big thing, a big task, but a pleasant one. In making the celebration a success we are honoring them who have honored us. If we get the enthusiasm in the whole county that was in the bunch of representative men that were here Monday night there will be no doubt about us giving the most royal welcome yet given in the State. This is just what we should do, for our boys are among the number who helped do the real fighting. A half handed welcome would be less than non-appreciative, it would be shameful. But watch out for the Fourth of July in Johnston this year. You will see how the county can do big things to honor her noble sons and daughters.

MANY BOMBS ARE FOUND IN MAIL

New York Postoffice Employee Finds Deadly Machines—Officials' Lives Sought—Mitchell Palmer, Mayor Hylan, Gov. Sproul, Secretaries Wilson and Burleson Included—The Work of Terrorists.

New York, April 30.—Sixteen bombs in parcel post packages addressed to 16 prominent men, each containing sufficient dynamite to blow the recipient to pieces, were discovered among the mail at the general postoffice here today.

A preliminary investigation convinced the postoffice authorities that they had unearthed a country-wide plot of terrorists to assassinate highly placed persons as a demonstration on May 1.

A sweeping inquiry by postoffice inspectors, agents of the department of justice and police experts was begun at once into the activities of anarchists and "reds" in this city.

At the same time a warning was issued by the district attorney's office to all public officials, especially judges, to watch for packages which might be delivered to them and a guard was thrown around the Criminal courts building.

The addresses on the sixteen packages seized here were all typewritten. The style and a couple of minor errors led officials to believe the addressing was done by a foreigner. The addresses were:

William M. Wood, Boston, Mass.

Frederick C. Howe, commissioner of immigration, New York City.

Hon. A. Mitchell Palmer, United States attorney general, Washington, D. C.

Anthony Caminetti, bureau of immigration, Washington, D. C.

Hon. William B. Wilson, secretary of labor, Washington, D. C.

Senator T. Larr Eyra, Chester, Pa.

William H. Lamor, solicitor general, Washington, D. C.

W. H. Finch, department of justice, New York.

Hon. A. S. Burleson, postmaster general, Washington, D. C.

Hon. J. F. Hylan, mayor, New York city.

Rich E. Enright, police commissioner, New York city.

John D. Rockefeller, Tarrytown, N. Y.

William I. Schaeffer, attorney general, Harrisburg, Pa.

Gov. William C. Sproul, Chester, Pennsylvania.

Hon. Oliver Wendell Holmes, United States Justice, Washington, D. C.

J. P. Morgan, New York City.

A slip on the part of the sender of the infernal machine, coupled with the sharp wits of a postoffice clerk, were all that prevented the bombs from being delivered. The 16 packages were mailed Saturday night in a box somewhere in the neighborhood of 30th street and Broadway. They had the correct postage for the parcel post, but were sealed with red wafers, and, therefore, could be accepted only as first class matter. Accordingly they were sent to the general postoffice to be referred back to the sender.

Each parcel had the name of Gimbel Brothers printed on it, and the department store was notified but failed to answer. Early this morning Charles Kaplan, a postoffice clerk, while on his way home from work, read in a morning paper of the bomb sent to Senator Hardwick, of Georgia. The description of the package containing the bomb struck him and he hurried back to the postoffice and examined the parcels. He then notified the superintendent of his suspicions and the packages were sent to Chief Postoffice Inspector W. E. Cochran.

Explosive experts were called in by Inspector Cochran and one of the parcels was opened. It contained a small phial fastened to the top of a polished basswood cylinder in such a manner that the cylinder could not be opened without breaking the bottle. The breaking of the bottle would release a chemical which in turn would ignite three fulminate of mercury caps resting on a stick of dynamite. The whole bomb showed evidences of skilled workmanship.

A RIFT IN THE ITALIAN CLOUD

Intimations From Rome That Overtures From Paris Would Not Be Unacceptable—The Italian Envoys Must Return to Peace Conference of Their Own Volition—The Council Not to Yield on Fiume Stand.

There is a rift in the Italian cloud, which gives hope of the clearing of the difficulties that have arisen in the peace conference over the Adriatic problem. Overtures for the resumption of relations have not come thus far from either direction, but there are intimations from Rome that overtures from Paris would not be unacceptable, and would receive every attention.

The prevailing sentiment among the delegates, including several of the American delegation, is against soliciting a return of the Italian representatives and it was at first believed that President Wilson shared this view. Those nearest the President, however, asserted that if Italy is disposed to relinquish Fiume and accept the compromise the President suggested, he could doubtless, in the interest of harmony, make such friendly suggestions as would permit the resumption of relations by the Italians without any sacrifice of dignity or self-esteem.

These personal susceptibilities are felt to be more of an obstacle at present than the territorial merits of the case. While popular sentiment in Italy still insists on holding Fiume, the recent official attitude has been less insistent and apparently tends toward acceptance of one of the various plans proposed by the Council of Three, whereby Fiume would be internationalized and some Dalmatian outposts given to Italy.

It is the declared purpose of the council, as well as President Wilson, not to yield on Fiume, even if the peace treaty is signed without Italy's participation. But, should the recent official tendencies at Rome take the definite form of acceptance of a compromise the President's friends say they are sure that no feeling of pride will restrain him from taking steps which will fully restore the Italian delegation to its former agreeable status in the conference.—Paris dispatch, April 30.

Girl Falls in Tub and Fatally Burned.

Burns received when she fell into a tub of boiling water proved fatal to Hazel King, the four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Furney King, of 407 Cary street. The little girl was at play in the room where her mother had placed a tub of boiling water. Not seeing the tub, Hazel backed against the tub and fell into the water. She was terribly burned about the body, arms and legs. She was carried to Rex Hospital, but failed to rally under treatment. The funeral service was conducted yesterday from the home of her parents.—News and Observer, 1st.

CLAYTON TOWNSHIP GOES OVER QUOTA.

Clayton, April 30.—Clayton township, Johnston county, today went over quota in the Victory Liberty Loan, with subscriptions of about \$67,000. The quota for the township was \$66,000, said Dr. Hecutt, township chairman, in making the announcement.

pointed out that the outside covering was of highly-glazed, expensive type of paper, such as would not be used by any department store for mere wrapping purposes. The inner box containing the wooden cylinder was also made of a very fine grade of green cardboard, unlike any ordinary use. Each of the parcels measured eight inches in length, two in depth and two in width.

On the back of each parcel was in red: "Novelties—a sample." Inspector Cochran expressed the belief that this was an ingenious effort on the part of the senders to induce the secretary of an intended victim to hand the parcel unopened to his chief. The officials who are in charge of the investigation believe that the very elaborateness of the would-be assassins' preparations may prove their undoing as affording certain clues to their identity.—Associated Press.

AL FAIRBROTHER SELLS HIS GREENSBORO PAPER.

Greensboro, April 30.—Al Fairbrother announces in the Daily Record this afternoon that he has sold that enterprising newspaper and entire plant to Parker Anderson, of the Wilmington Dispatch; Julian Price, president of the Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Company, and R. G. Kelly, attorney of this city. Others will probably be associated with them possibly including W. A. Hildebrand, formerly editor of the Greensboro Daily News. The new owners will take charge in a few days.

THE NEWS IN CLAYTON.

Clayton, April 30.—Miss Sophia Knott, of Mount Moria, spent Sunday here with Miss Thelma Barbour.

Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Smith and Mrs. E. R. Gulley spent last Sunday in Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Yelverton, of Fremont, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hall at their home a few miles from town.

Miss Duba Ellis and Mrs. W. P. Creech spent Monday in Raleigh.

The services at the Methodist church Monday afternoon by the famous evangelist, Mr. McLendon, who, for several weeks, has been in Raleigh, was attended by a full house. If we could have such a man for a few weeks we would consider it a blessing. Mr. McLendon is simply fine and we just can't tell how glad we were to have him with us.

Mr. and Mrs. Wingate Beddingfield are making their home here again. Mr. Beddingfield accepted a position in Durham the first of the year. Now he is holding a position with his brother at Pope's Pharmacy.

There will be special services at the Baptist church next Sunday morning in honor of our returned soldiers. The new pastor, Mr. Moore, has also been overseas, and he makes a special request that the soldiers wear their uniforms on that day. At the same service Mothers' Day will be observed instead of waiting until the second Sunday in May. Everybody who attends this service will receive a most cordial welcome.

HOPEWELL NEWS.

Mr. D. S. Stephenson and daughter, Miss Eunice, who have been visiting relatives in this community, returned to their home in Durham last Thursday.

Mrs. Rosa Thompson and Miss Bessie Stephenson visited relatives near Mount Olive last week.

Miss Callie Lassiter of Spilona section, is spending several days with her aunt, Mrs. W. J. Alford.

Mrs. W. J. Alford, who recently underwent an operation in Rex Hospital, has returned home much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Darius Johnson have moved to Smithfield, which place they will make their future home.

The moving picture show at Hopewell school under the management of Mr. R. P. Merritt Tuesday night was quite a success.

Mr. Israel Stephenson celebrated his 72nd birthday on the 22d of April. All his children and grand children and quite a number of nieces and nephews were present to enjoy the day with him. At 1 p. m. dinner was served and such a dinner! Everything good imaginable. After dinner the young people amused themselves on the grounds chatting and making kodak pictures while the old people were engaged in conversation. Both vocal and instrumental music was furnished during the day by different ones. The day was very much enjoyed by each and every one. May he live to see many more birthdays.—Reporter.

Commencement at Micro.

The commencement of Micro Graded School will be Tuesday, May 6. The public is invited. There will be a literary address at 11 o'clock in the morning. Dinner will be served on the grounds. There will be a program by the primary department at 2:30. A reading and declamation contest will be given at 8:30 in the evening.

Mr. Tom Kelly, who lives near Warsaw, has a fine record as to hatching young chicks. From 208 eggs set under hens he had 195 chickens hatched and lost only one.

Every man should keep a fair-sized cemetery in which to bury the faults of his friends.—H. W. Beecher.

SENATOR OVERMAN GETS A MACHINE

One of the Engines of Destruction Sent to Him on the Eve of the Wedding of His Daughter—Fortunately Was Held in the Postoffice and Not Sent to His Home.

Salisbury, N. C., May 1.—A package unquestionably containing an infernal machine of the same description as the ones sent to Judge Landis and Senator Hardwick came to Salisbury last night addressed to Senator Lee Overman. It was discovered by a postoffice clerk while assorting mail this morning and is being held intact awaiting the arrival of an inspector from the postoffice department at Washington.

The package is marked Gimbel Brothers, New York. Had the package been delivered at the Overman residence last night it would probably have been opened without question by his daughters or some friends since the daughter of Senator Overman was married last night and hundreds of packages both by express and postal delivery have been arriving.

Senator Overman stated this morning that he had no idea who sent the package, but that he had of late received several letters threatening his life on account of his activity as chairman of the espionage committee of Congress against the German propaganda in this country.

In Paris, But Not as Planned.

At last the Germans have entered Paris! Not many of them have arrived, to be sure, and the entrance of the few is strangely—almost, but not quite, pathetically—different from the one they planned to make in September of 1914. Still they are there—some of them—if Versailles can be called Paris, as it may be for German pupdoses in both 1914 and 1919. And not as prisoners, either. Those who have arrived, indeed, are subjected to a good many restrictions on their movements, but hardly to more than they would have had to endure at the earlier date, and now, as would have been the case then, the restrictions are protective rather than those of incarceration.

But the Germans who are now come to Paris and those who are soon to follow them are not the men who would have gone there in 1914 if—well, not to be too explicit, if circumstances had permitted. The sometime Kaiser, for example, is unavoidably—and how regretfully!—detained elsewhere. So are the Princes, his six sons, and all those marvelous Generals who thought—or rather knew—that they were leading his irresistible armies to the first of the many victories that were soon to circle the world.

And the purposes then and now entertained are as different as are personalities that would have represented, and do represent Germany. They have come, not to impose terms on defeated foes, but to hear what terms those foes will grant to a nation confessing its inability to escape acceptance of the terms offered otherwise than by saying, "We won't sign! Do what you please to us."—New York Times.

The Dog Law.

How would the people of the State know about the existence of a law that has not yet been published?

When the session of the Legislature is over each time a brief synopsis of the general laws should be published in some paper in every county, and a longer and full synopsis of the local laws enacted for each county be published in the paper in the county concerned. The Legislature itself should prepare the machinery for having this work done promptly and the publication should be made at public expense. Then it would be reasonable to say that ignorance of the law does not excuse.—Monroe Journal.

Appointment.

On account of a misunderstanding Rev. P. G. Elliott did not fill the appointment at Live Oak Baptist church the first Sunday in last month, but we understand he will be there next Sunday afternoon at 3:30, old time. This church has recently been painted inside and outside which has greatly improved its appearance.