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## NEWS FROM THE CAPITAL BANNER

### Young People's Library Is Opened; Various Meetings and Personals

BENSON, March 1.—Mrs. E. M. Hall proved a most charming hostess on last Thursday afternoon when she entertained the Book Club and a few invited guests. The living room, where the meeting was called to order was attractively decorated with spring flowers. The meeting was presided over by the president. The subject for the afternoon being "Naturalism in Germany. Hauptmann and Sudermann Compared." Interesting papers were read by Mesdames J. B. Faircloth and J. R. Barbour. At the close of the meeting the hostess assisted by Mrs. Kanoy served a tempting salad course with coffee and salted almonds. Attractive favors suggestive of Washington's birthday were found on each plate. The meeting adjourned to meet with Mrs. Lassiter in March.

The Auxiliary of the Presbyterian Church held its regular monthly meeting at the church Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The topic for study was "Africa." The program was led by Mrs. Preston Woodall. Miss Baine gave an interesting description of the African Field as a whole, outlining Mission Stations and naming the workers engaged there. This was followed by papers on different phases of the work by Mesdames J. B. Faircloth and A. T. Lassiter. During the business session delegates were elected to represent the auxiliary at the Presbyterial which meets at Laurel Hill in April. These were Mrs. Preston Woodall and Miss Baine.

Quite an enjoyable affair was the oyster supper given by the Woman's Club last Tuesday night in one of the large rooms just completed in the new bank building. The tables were pretty with their centerpieces of hyacinths and every one enjoyed the pleasant chatter of friends as much as the well cooked supper. Besides oysters with accessories, home made candies and sandwiches were sold. The proceeds from this went towards fitting up the Young People's Library with good sectional bookcases.

A large number of people were on hand Friday afternoon when the Library opened its doors for the first time. Not all the borrowers of books were "young people" strictly speaking. Some of the books proving too great a temptation to a good many "married folks." The Librarian pretended she considered them "young" enough however, and so we anticipate the young folks having a rather difficult time in keeping the privileges of this alluring place entirely to themselves in the future. Donations of curtains, a table, rug, and flowers by generous-hearted citizens made the room appear cozy and home-like and we believe this spot is going to add much to the liveableness of our town.

Prof. and Mrs. Ralph Weaver left Friday afternoon for Chapel Hill to spend the week end with relatives. Just before entering Raleigh their car was run into by another and turned completely over causing slight injuries to Mrs. Weaver and their daughter.

A party consisting of Mr. Milton Smith and Mrs. E. M. Hall and Mesdames Walter Strickland and W. T. Martin attended the concert by Sousa's Band at Raleigh Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Kanoy visited relatives in Durham the past week end.

Doctors J. F. Martin and A. S. Oliver attended the County Medical Association at Smithfield last week.

Mr. J. R. Barbour returned this morning from a trip of several days to Charleston, S. C.

Mrs. Whittenton, mother of Mr. J. W. Whittenton, who has been ill at her son's home with pneumonia is greatly improved.

Mr. W. H. Royal was in Fayetteville Saturday.

Mr. Jake Greenhal was in Raleigh the first of the week on business.

The Protruding Object.

Amon (to Neal)—"What's that sticking out from your collar?" Neal—"I don't know; what is it?" Amon—"Your neck, of course."

## PLEASANT GROVE NEWS

WILLOW SPRINGS, Feb. 28.—Mr. L. M. Ogburn, of Benson visited his mother here one day last week.

Mrs. L. D. Adams left Tuesday morning for Durham to visit her sister, Mrs. L. L. Tilley who is critically ill. Mrs. Tilley is not expected to live.

Mr. G. L. Massengill of Varina was here on business one day this week.

Mrs. Claud Stephenson attended a teachers' meeting at Rehoboth last Saturday.

Mr. Eli Turlington of Benson was here shaking hands with friends one day recently.

Mr. L. D. Adams has purchased a shingle saw outfit and when duly installed he will be prepared to fill orders for shingles on short notice.

Mr. J. Claude Coats and daughter, Miss Alice spent one day last week in Angier.

Rev. M. P. Davis filled his regular appointment at Pleasant Grove last Sunday.

The social gathering at Miss Fern Stephenson's last Saturday night was much enjoyed by all present.

Messrs W. B. and Fred Honeycutt spent Monday night in Raleigh.

Mr. James C. Langdon of Coats came up Saturday afternoon and spent the night. Sunday morning 't rained so much he had to stay till Monday morning.

Mrs. Richard Starling left Monday for Micro, to be with her father who is very sick. We hope for him a speedy recovery.

Miss Inez King of Coats spent last week end with Misses Hattie and Annie Stephenson.

Mr. Walter Dixon, a student at Buie's Creek is at home for a short while.

Mr. Tom Brown and family of Harnett county spent last week end here with the family of Mr. D. A. King.

Mr. Doll Stephenson, who had been sick for some weeks with a complication of diseases died last Saturday night at 8:30. Mr. Stephenson was buried in the family burying ground Sunday afternoon. This burial was largely attended.

Mr. Joe Brown of Ahoskie spent a short while last week here with his sister, Mrs. W. R. Pope.

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## FOUR MORE BABIES MAKE TWELVE IN FIVE YEARS

BROWNSVILLE, Ky, Feb. 27.—That the stork has favored them with six years of generosity unequalled, perhaps, anywhere else in this country, is the claim of Mr. and Mrs. William Poteet, who became the parents here today of four more children, making a total of 12 in 5 years. During the first five years of their wedded life, four pair of twins were born to Mr. and Mrs. Poteet. The eight twins and the four born today are all living and apparently in good health.—Wilmington Star.

## C. H. Grady Located at Elizabeth City

ELIZABETH CITY, Mar. 1.—Chas. H. Grady, of Kenly, is now in partnership with C. R. Pugh, local attorney, and the new law firm is styled Pugh and Grady. Mr. Grady received his education at Wake Forest College and the University of Virginia. For the last year and a half he has practiced law at Clayton.—News and Observer.

## COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION WILL NOT MEET MONDAY

Owing to the absence of Supt. W. H. Hipps, who is attending the National Educational Association in Chicago, Ill., the County Board of Education will meet on Thursday, March 9th, instead of the first Monday.

## Federal Land Bank Appraiser In Johnston County

Mr. J. H. Sears, Federal Land Bank appraiser, is in the county visiting the farmers who have made applications for loans through the Federal Land Bank Association.

## New Preacher at Selma.

The Baptist church at Selma has called a new pastor, Rev. A. A. Butler, of Hertford. He will preach his first sermon for the Selma people next Sunday, March 5th.

## "LIVE AT HOME" CAMPAIGN NOW ON

### John Paul Lucas Directs the Campaign to Cover Period of 8 or 10 Weeks

RALEIGH, March 2.—A definite start is being made this week in the work of putting over Governor Morrison's "Live at Home" Campaign. John Paul Lucas, of Charlotte, who has been secured to organize and direct the campaign, has opened an office in the State Department Annex, and the preliminary work is already under way. The work in prospect is not new to Mr. Lucas, who had active direction of the Food Production and Conservation Campaign in North Carolina during the war, first with the State Food Commission, and later with the United States Food Administration, and who is "loaned" to the state for this particular work by the Southern Public Utilities Company for which he is advertising and publicity manager.

During the campaign emphasis will be laid not upon the production of food supplies for the market but upon the production by every family of food and feed supplies sufficient to supply its own establishment. More and better gardens, more poultry, one or more cows for each family, and sufficient hogs to furnish an all-year supply of pork will be advocated. The new movement has the whole-hearted backing not only of the Department of Agriculture and the State College of Agriculture and Engineering, but also of the Department of Education, the State Board of Health and other agencies of the state government.

The campaign which is being inaugurated will be intensively conducted and will cover a period of 8 or ten weeks. The organization to be built up will reach into every township of every county in the state.

## ROBBERS WRECK BANK OF FAIRMONT WITH EXPLOSIVES AND GET AWAY WITH \$1,345.

### Professional Yeggmen Force Way Into the Vault and Get Away With \$1,345 in Silver and Pennies.

FAIRMONT, Mar. 1.—Balked by the strength of the time-lock safe which withstood the shock of a large amount of explosives, professional yeggmen nevertheless forced their way into the vault of the Bank of Fairmont at 4:30 this morning and got away with \$1,345 in silver and pennies.

The tremendous explosion wrecked the bank building and started a fire which caused a large amount of damage to many bank books and important documents. The exact amount of damage will not be known until the debris is cleared away. Officials of the bank said this morning that all losses were covered fully by insurance, including the stolen money.

Eye-witnesses have been found who claim to have seen a man rushing from the bank building immediately prior to the explosion. This man was said to be without his hat. Inside the bank building a hat was found, which is supposed to belong to one of the men engaged on the job.

The yeggmen went about their job in a thorough businesslike way. They broke into the bank building and then tackled the combination of the vault. This they mastered and got the \$1,345. Confronted by the safe door, they resorted to explosive, which while strong enough to wreck the building, had little effect on the safe.

The robbery is the worst in many years and excitement has been running high. The bank will reopen, officials said, in a few days.—Greensboro Daily News.

## Still Praising Our Hospital.

Mr. John Kemple of the Sanders Chapel neighborhood was here a few days ago looking hale and healthy. He weighs 191 pounds. He was taken with appendicitis and remained at home until he was almost dead. He came here September 27th, 1920, and had an operation performed. It was a critical time with him but he had the best attention. He recovered and now is a healthy strong man again. He likes to commend the Smithfield hospital to everybody needing help.

## NEWS ITEMS FROM TOWN PRINCETON

### Rev. J. O. Atkinson of Elon College Will Deliver Commencement Address

PRINCETON, March 1.—Mr. E. B. Wrike went to Greensboro on a business trip Thursday.

Mr. Alton Gurley from Pikeville visited Mr. Calvin Gurley Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Fannie Wellons of the High school was the guest of Misses Bessie and Jessie Massey at their country home Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Mary Penny one of the High school girls visited relatives at Raleigh for the week end.

Dr. and Mrs. A. G. Woodard from Goldsboro were visitors in town Sunday.

Miss Leona Holt has been spending a few days with relatives in the Sanders Chapel section this week.

Miss Ellen Uzzle visited relatives at Wilson's Mills for the week end.

Mrs. Flossie Wells and little Harriett Elizabeth have gone to Greensboro where they expect to remain with relatives for some time.

Mr. Clarence Whitley from Durham came down to spend the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Whitley.

Harvey Wellons from Buie's Creek was at home Saturday and Sunday.

The Princeton Boys' Junior basketball team and Carter's school played Tuesday evening on Princeton court. The score was 22 and 3 in favor of Princeton.

Mrs. G. E. Edgerton and children spent the week end with relatives at Fremont.

Mr. Paul Armstrong, Jr., has been spending several days at Clinton.

Mr. W. P. Sugg is having his house remodeled and four or five rooms will be built on top of the present house. Many modern improvements will be added and when completed it will undoubtedly be the most sumptuous home in all this section.

The unusual activity of the well in the yard of Isaac Boykin has puzzled several hundred people who visited the place. Last Sunday the waters in this well ceased to boil, after eight weeks of turbulent turmoil. Now the question is, what caused this unusual occurrence.

Neuse river has been on the war path for the past three weeks. The waters are still high and there is no passing at Richardson bridge.

The school was very glad to welcome these parents out "Parents Week" and will be glad to welcome the others whenever it is convenient for them to come: Mrs. Waverly Edwards, Mrs. Archie Edwards, Mrs. Vine Edwards and Miss Len Brewer, Mrs. W. G. Farrar, Mrs. J. H. Gabriel and C. A. Holt, Mr. A. F. Holt, Mr. Hardee and Mr. J. W. Langley, Mrs. A. L. Massey, Mrs. J. B. Rowe, Mrs. W. J. Snipes, Miss Myrtle Snipes and Mrs. A. K. Worley, Mrs. E. B. Wrike, Mrs. S. A. Worley, Mrs. E. H. Wilkins, Mrs. Will Wright, Mrs. J. R. Woodard and Mr. George Woodard.

Rev. J. O. Atkinson from Elon College has been secured to deliver the commencement address on Friday a. m., May the 26th. He is a traveling representative of the Southern Christian Convention.

Henry and DeLeon and Teresa Holt have returned from a very interesting trip for children of their age, having visited Salisbury, Spencer and Greensboro. At Spencer they were shown over the immense railroad shops of the Southern railway, which are said to be the largest in the Southern States. They saw more than two hundred railroad engines which were in the shops on February 25th. There were five hundred mechanics at work in the shops. The children were most interested in the operation of two big five hundred horse power Westinghouse steam engines, driving dynamo on main shaft, being self contained, and noted for their high speed and noiseless operation. These furnished lights and electricity for the large shops, also one 1000 H.P. Corliss Compound engine which was operating the compressed air pumps, in the boiler room there were 24-500 h.p. boilers in full blast furnishing steam for these large engines and the other purposes of the shops. There were about two-score colored men employed shoveling coal

## NEWS FROM CLAYTON

CLAYTON, Feb. 25.—Mr. A. B. Austin, of Cary is here on a visit to relatives.

Messrs E. R. Gulley and Hugh Terrall have been attending court at Smithfield this week as jurors.

Mr. Lea Thomas of Goldsboro spent a few days during the week with his parents here.

Mr. Clyde Wall who was operated on at Rex hospital at Raleigh, a few days ago is reported as doing nicely but does not know when he will be able to come home.

Miss Mabel Ellis who is teaching school at Bailey is at home for the week end.

Miss Ruth Andrews of Fayetteville visited Mrs. H. G. Pope last week.

Mr. Charlie Barden, of Raleigh, was a visitor here Thursday night.

Mrs. C. W. Allen of Auburn is spending some time with her daughter, Mrs. D. W. Barbour.

Miss Allan Oakley of Mary Elizabeth hospital, Raleigh, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Simmons during the week.

The friends of Mr. Jack Ellington are glad to hear that he has returned from Rex Hospital where he underwent an operation for appendicitis a few days ago.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Pope entertained a few of their friends at a turkey dinner last Monday night at their home here.

Friday night the Fidelis class of the Baptist church gave a Washington Birthday party at the home of Mrs. N. R. Poole. Rev. and Mrs. A. O. Moore were dressed in costume to represent George and Martha Washington, while Master Jack Moore and little Miss Elizabeth Moore were also dressed in costume to represent the smaller couple. Several others appeared in costume and the party proved a great success. An admission was charged at the door, a penny for each year of life. A sum of around sixty dollars was raised which will be added to the organ fund of the church.

Mrs. B. A. Hocutt was hostess to the Woman's Club on Wednesday afternoon from 3:30 to 5 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Lambert and children visited relatives in Selma during the week.

Mrs. Floyd Gower expects to leave today for New York to buy a spring line of goods for Taylor's Millinery Shop.

Mr. J. D. Barbour made a business trip to Richmond during the week.

Mr. J. L. Godwin will leave tomorrow for a short business trip to Richmond.

## Would Raise the Standard.

The American Bar Association is discussing the advisability of raising the educational standard of admission to the profession—two years of college work and three years in a recognized law school as the minimum. The standard has been too low, it will be generally conceded. Many men have obtained law license who don't know enough to be a justice of the peace. But education alone will not make a lawyer and neither is the lack of college training fatal to one who has the talent, the inclination and the determination to succeed in the profession.—Statesville Landmark.

## Unpleasant Memories.

The landlord of the building had agreed to put new wall paper on the rooms. "What kind do you prefer?" he asked. "Something with large figures?" "Decidedly not," said the new tenant. "They always remind me of the rent I have to pay."—Edinburgh Scotsman.

into the furnaces of these boilers.

Mr. and Mrs. George F. Woodard gave a party Friday night in honor of their daughter, Lissie's twenty-sixth birthday. The house was tastefully decorated with pine boughs and flowers. The guests were met at the door by Mrs. C. M. Bynum. The punch bowl was presided over by Mrs. Flossie Wells, and Mr. Frank Wilson. During the evening a course of ice cream and cake was served. The guests departed after having wished the honoree many happy returns of the day. Miss Virginia Woodard and Thelma Toler furnished music for the occasion.

## MAY WORK OUT SOLDIERS' BONUS

### Provides for Adjusted Service Certificates; Get the Money from Banks

WASHINGTON, March 1.—Elimination of the cash feature of the soldiers' bonus bill, but under a plan which would enable former service men to obtain funds from banks on adjusted service certificates immediately after they were issued is under consideration by majority members of the house ways and means committee as a possible solution of the bonus problem.

This would make unnecessary any heavy draft on the federal treasury during the next two years while the refunding of the \$6,500,000,000 short dated debt is in progress and, it was said, would remove the fundamental cause of the differences in Congress and between the administration and Congress over the bonus question.

The task of working out the plan was assigned today to a special subcommittee which was appointed by what was described as "unanimous consent" after the majority members had failed to agree on any method of financing the cash payment.

Committee members said it was not proposed to change the vocational training, farm and home aid and land settlement features of the Fordney bill. Some of them thought, however, that the certificate feature would be so attractive that a great majority of the men would elect that option of the bill.

Under the plan now contemplated the face value of the adjusted service certificate would be equal to the sum of the adjusted service pay of the veteran (\$1 a day for domestic service and \$1.25 a day for foreign service less the \$60 bonus paid at the time of discharge) increase by 40 per cent plus increase thereon for 20 years at the rate of 4 1-2 per cent a year, compounded annually. The total face value thus would be approximately 3.38 times the amount of cash that a veteran would have received under the cash feature.

Immediately after the certificate was received the service men could obtain from a bank an amount equal to 50 per cent of the total of the adjusted service pay. If at the expiration of three years the sum thus obtained plus interest had not been paid by the service men the bank could make demand on the federal treasury for the amount due. The government thus would take over and carry the loan.

Provisions respecting loans to be made by the government on the certificates after three years from their issue would be retained in the bill, it was said. Under these provisions, if the loan were made within from three to five years after issue the amount could not exceed 90 per cent of the sum of the adjusted service pay plus interest from the date of issue or at a rate of 4 1-2 per cent compounded annually. If the loan were made after five years, the amount could not exceed 80 per cent of the sum of the adjusted service pay increased by 40 per cent plus interest from the date of issue at the rate of 4 1-2 per cent compounded annually.

Representative Longworth expressed the opinion that the suggested plan if it could be put into workable form would meet with the approval of President Harding and also of both the house and senate. He also thought it would be acceptable to the service men. This view was shared by several other members of the committee, who said the program would enable men in immediate need to obtain a fairly large sum of cash and at the same time retain to them more lasting benefits perhaps than would have been obtained through an all-cash adjusted compensation.—Associated Press.

## Easy.

"What's all that noise gwine on ovah at you' house last night?" asked an old colored woman of another. "Sounded like a lot of catamounts done broke loose."

"Dat? Why dat was nothin' only de gen'man from the furniture store collecting his easy payments."—The Bullock Way.