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BRILLIANT RECEPTION TO MR. AND MRS. STUBBS.

From nine until eleven o'clock on Thursday evening of last week more than one hundred and fifty people were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene M. Gordy at the Atlantic Hotel, corner of Main and Washington Streets, who received in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Harry M. Stubbs. The reception rooms were attractive in the color scheme of white and green while banks of Spring's earliest offerings from the rose garden pleased the eye upon entering the rooms, the whole being patriotically embellished by the folds of "Old Glory" Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Shannon Anderson received the guests at the door, and Mr. Kelly King directed them to the receiving party composed of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Gordy, Mr. and Mrs. Harry M. Stubbs, Mrs. Wheeler Martin, Mr. B. Duke Critcher, Mr. W. Henry Gurkin and Mr. Jack W. Biggs.

Mrs. Stubbs wore her wedding gown of white satin with court train, trimmed in silver and seed pearls, and many of the guests were in full evening costume, making a brilliant assemblage throughout the hours.

Miss Genevieve Harris, of Edenton, and Mrs. Kelly King, attractively gowned, served punch to the guests from a prettily decorated bowl, and ice cream with cake was served by Misses Martha Cotten Crawford, Martha Slade Hassell, Lida Cook, Annie Clyde Gurganus and Elizabeth Burras, who were daintily clad in white with ribbons.

The people are glad to welcome Mrs. Stubbs to Williamston, where her husband has lived and who enjoys a wide popularity in both town and county, and her coming will add another charming member to the social life of the town.

The Twentieth Century Book Club (Reported)

The Twentieth Century Club held its annual meeting at the home of the Vice-President, Mrs. C. B. Hassell, on Monday. This meeting was opened with a patriotic prayer. The resignations of Misses Mayo and Annie Lamb were most regretfully accepted.

Following the By-Laws, the vice-president was elected president for the ensuing year. Mrs. F. W. Hoyt was chosen vice-president, Mrs. S. R. Biggs secretary and Mrs. J. G. Staton, reporter.

It was unanimously voted that during the ensuing year, the program should be very short, thus giving the members time to work during the meetings for the Red Cross. The National hymns will be sung often, and very light refreshments will be served.

It was also unanimously voted that the usual expenses be eliminated by using old books, old music and typewritten programs and the \$3.00 per capita be given to the work of the Red Cross. For the present the membership will be eighteen.

The last meeting on the 1916-17 program will be with Mrs. Williams, June 6th, as the Club closes during the summer months.

The Liberty Loan

"There is not a single selfish element in the cause we are fighting for. The supreme test of the Nation has come. We must all speak, act, and serve together."—WOODROW WILSON.

Can It Be True?

In the South where loyalty has always been of the highest and truest kind, one is not wont to look for anything else, especially at a time when the fate of the world is at stake against murder and all the evils ever concocted by the mind of the devil incarnate in the regions of the damned. The peace and happiness of the world is in the balance against the Teutonic domination which spells nothing else except ruin, murder of the innocent and the cruelty of the dark ages. Which shall prevail? Can it be true that any man or woman has the slightest wish that Germany will win out in the world war now on in which our beloved country has entered unselfishly? If they have, let it remain in their own hearts, for it is dangerous to express anything except loyalty to the cause for which we are fighting. The South, the State of North Carolina, the County of Martin, the town of Williamston are integral parts of the great Nation of American people, and if true, no disloyal word or act will be said at the door of any one.

An Appeal by the Governor

I suggest that on Sunday afternoon, June 3rd, or on the night of June 4th, there be held in every town and city in the State a patriotic rally. Let there be music and flags, and a great outpouring of the people and then let some one briefly and clearly state the requirements of the law.

I do not ask that June 5th be made a holiday. That question may be safely left to the judgment of each community and to those in charge of the industries of the State. If a field needs cultivating, if machinery needs to be kept running in order to meet the exigencies of the times, work ought not to be suspended in order to make a holiday. But I earnestly trust that throughout the State the day may be made one of consecration and prayer. I do urge that every man who can spare time will turn out on registration day and assist in every possible way in securing a complete registration in every precinct.

Let the women and children, together with the older members of the family, go to the place of registration with the boy who is to record his name as a champion of justice to all men and of peace for all time.

T. W. Bickett, Governor.

Appointments For State Fair

Mr. R. O. Everett, President of the State Fair Association, has announced his appointments for District Vice-Presidents, Executive Committee and others. Mr. Harry Waldo, of Hamilton, is the only representative from Martin County, he having been named on the Executive Committee. Mr. Everett has done well in naming Mr. Waldo, as he is one of the most successful farmers in the county and is in the fight for better farming in Martin County and North Carolina.

Teachers Institute

The Martin County Teachers Institute will be held in Williamston beginning Monday, July 2nd. All teachers are required by law to attend. The Institute will be conducted by Supt. L. J. Bell, assisted by Mrs. T. E. Johnston.

A. J. Manning, Supt.

SEVEN POINTS TO REMEMBER IN CONNECTION WITH WAR REGISTER

1.—There is only one day for registration, June 5, 1917.

2.—Every male resident of the United States who has reached his 21st and has not reached his 31st birthday must register on the day set, June 5, 1917.

The only exceptions are persons in the military or naval service of the United States, which includes all officers and enlisted men of the regular army reserve, the officers reserve corps, the enlisted reserve corps, the national guard and national guard reserve, recognized by the militia bureau of the War Department; the navy; the marine corps, the coast guard; and the naval militia, the naval reserve force; the marine corps reserve, and the national naval volunteers, recognized by the Navy Department.

3.—Registration is distinct from draft. No matter what just claim you have for exemption, you must register.

4.—Registration is a public duty. For those not responsive to the sense of this duty, the penalty of imprisonment, not fine, is provided in the draft act.

5.—Those who thru sickness shall be unable to register should cause a representative to apply to the county or city clerk for a copy of the registration card. The clerk will give instructions as to how this card should be filled out. The card should then be mailed by the sick person, or delivered by his agent, to the registrar of his home precinct. The sick person will inclose a self-addressed stamped envelope for the return to him of his registration certificate.

6.—Any person who expects to be absent from his voting precinct on registration day should apply as soon as possible for a registration card to the county clerk of the county where he may be stopping, or if he is in a city of over 30,000, to the city clerk. The clerk will record the answers on the card and turn it over to the absentee. The absentee should mail this card to the registrar of his home district so that it will reach that official by registration day. A self-addressed stamped envelope should be enclosed with the card to ensure the return to the absentee of a registration certificate.

7.—Registration booths will be open from 7 a. m. to 9 p. m. on registration day, June 5, 1917.

Must We Volunteer?

It seems to the writer that Uncle Sam is a very wise man and knows his business. He is also an observant man. The war has not been fought in a corner, but he who runs may read.

During these past years we have learned many things and one of the best is that selective conscription is wise. This being the case, why volunteer? Perhaps you are needed more at home than at the front. Surely your country will need your services in the near future, but that service may not be on a battle field. When Uncle Sam deems it wise for you to go, the call will come. Until then, possess your soul in patience, remembering that they also serve who only wait.

What better service can you render your country than by being a true man at home? Keep up the activities of town life. Have just enough fun to keep you well balanced. Cut down foolish expenses and extravagances. If you have little of this world's goods be careful in every expenditure. If you are in possession of much, keep up a generous scale of living that no one may suffer because you are hoarding selfishly.

Then when Uncle Sam calls answer: "Here am I, send me." —C.

Registration Instructions

On the inside sheets of The Enterprise this week will be found full instructions for registration on Tuesday, June 5th. Read these carefully and make no mistake in this important matter. It is necessary to register according to law, or suffer the penalty.

All business houses in Williamston will close June 5 registration day.

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To Do Red Cross Work

At a called meeting of the Twentieth Century Book Club at the home of Mrs. C. B. Hassell, Monday afternoon, it was decided to change the program of same, and the money usually expended for music and printed programs be used in the work of the Red Cross. The meetings will be held as usual, but the refreshments will be simple, and the time, spent mainly in sewing for the soldiers. No new members will be elected to fill vacancies until the present unsettled state of affairs adjusts itself, and the musical program will contain one number only at each meeting.

This action on the part of the Club members is a wise and patriotic one, for the women of the country have a most important part to play in the war game, which is on the country at this time. Every stitch done will mean that much comfort for some soldier at the front.

Won Honors At St. Mary's

Miss Eva Peele, daughter of Clerk of the Court R. J. Peele, who graduated at St. Mary's School, Raleigh, this week was valedictorian of her class. This honor indicates, of course, that she led the Seniors. Three years ago, she won the Murchison Scholarship and finished the work in three instead of the four years allowed. Her standard has always been high, and the blue ribbon has gone to her each year. She arrived home Wednesday evening. During a part of her time at St. Mary's, she has taught in the preparatory department, and it is her intention to teach this fall either in the county, or elsewhere, as she has received several offers of schools.

Ask your banker about buying a Liberty Bond.

New Method Of Suppressing The Fly

The United States Department of Agriculture, in Department Bulletin No. 408, recommends fertilizer as a preventive of flies, the fertilizer to be applied to manure, where according to entomologists 90 per cent of the flies breed. The recommended fertilizer not only kills the larvae of the flies but also enriches the manure by adding a complete plant food and by preserving the fertilizing elements which the manure contains.

The particular ingredients of the fertilizer to be used are calcium cyanamid, acid phosphate and potash. Because of the scarcity of potash it may be omitted and acid phosphate can serve for both. Calcium cyanamid adds nitrogen and is the element that is especially destructive to the larvae. The lime it contains would, however, release from the manure some of its nitrogen but for the acid phosphate.

The Government authorities recommend one pound of calcium cyanamid to four or more pounds of acid phosphate to each four square feet of exposed surface of manure in pits, boxes or stalls. For an exposed pile of eight bushels of manure four pounds of cyanamid to four or more pounds of acid phosphate is recommended. The best results from a fertilizer standpoint are obtained when the acid phosphate is in the proportion of six or eight to one, according to the Government authorities.

Two objects are attained by using fertilizer in this way, the typhoid menace is reduced to a minimum while crop yields are being increased. In other words this is a method of suppressing flies without cost, for the fertilizer more than pays for itself and the labor of applying it, by producing greater crop yields.

The Red Cross

The world has long since acknowledged the effectiveness of the Red Cross, which is international in its scope. In times of peace, it has its victories as well as in war, and today the organization is a world necessity. At the present crisis in the history of the entire world, its activity has been increased until every little hamlet has its auxiliary, the work of which is carried on mainly by the women. Thousands of volunteers have offered their services to aid the sick and wounded and to comfort the dying on the field of battle, and, too, with the knowledge that the heart of the Teuton is so black that he does not respect or protect the hospital ships, nurses or anything which belongs to the enemy. Never before has warfare been conducted on such a barbaric plan. But men and women with brave hearts, are working as never before to fit themselves for the relief of the suffering throughout the world.

There has been an auxiliary formed in Williamston and every woman who desires to help win in the fight for humanity, should join. The members of the Auxiliary will make bandages and other articles used in giving aid to the sick, suffering and dying. Williamston and Martin County will have sons in the service; whether they will go to France or not, remains to be seen. It is the duty of our women to sacrifice so as to give of themselves and their time to aid their country. The war is upon us, let us not be slackers in the supreme crisis.

SATURDAY WAS BOOZE HARVESTING DAY

Saturday was booze harvesting day in police circles, as Chief of Police C. F. Page with search warrants entered three places and found the real goods and the measuring pots. The haul consisted of beer, monkey rum, rye whiskey, Jamaica ginger, paragonic, the latter two containing an enormous per cent of alcohol. The dealers were placed under bond after a preliminary trial before Justice W. C. Manning. The haul created a great deal of interest in the town as the people are getting very tired of the situation here, and were pleased that the work of breaking the blind tigers up, was beginning in earnest. According to common report, the haul was just a small amount of that said to be in the town at all times. The work of uprooting the evil should be pushed vigorously by the police, and the night policeman should be forced to do his duty and stop the wholesale delivery of booze by automobiles, which are known to come into the town at late hours. If there was a night policeman, who would patrol the streets, as he is sworn to do, there would be more bonds to be arranged, and considerable less monkey rum in town to corrupt and despoil men and boys.

Conservation Committees Meet

An interesting and very enthusiastic meeting of the Martin County Conservation Committee was held at the Court House in Williamston on Thursday afternoon of last week at two o'clock. The meeting was called to order by J. L. Hassell, chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, and Mr. Hassell stated the object of the meeting. Reports were heard from the various members who had called meetings in their districts, and each showed that the men were in earnest in their efforts to conserve the products of the farms of Martin County during the present crisis. Mr. Holliday, the County Demonstrator, read the suggestions of the agricultural departments to the conservation of crops, and urged each farmer present to abide by these suggestions. Some suggestion was made as to the growing of wheat in Martin County, in order that our people might combat the high price of flour now, but after discussion of this matter, it was decided that on account of the great number of wild onions with which we have to contend, the raising of wheat will be unprofitable. Mr. Alphonso Everett urged the farmers to concentrate their efforts upon the raising of corn, a crop which is most splendidly adapted to the soil of Martin County.

The meeting of this committee shows that the people of this county are ready and willing to help fight the enemy and to do their bit towards feeding themselves and assisting in feeding our armies and those of our allies across the seas.

For the benefit of those desiring seed, it was announced that J. L. Hassell & Co., would furnish all necessary seed to those in need of them. When in want of seed call there and consult them about the matter.

The Woman's Guild of the Church of the Advent will serve a supper of chicken salad and ice cream at the Parish Hall on Tuesday, June 5. The doors will be opened at 6. All cordially invited to bring a good appetite.