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## To All Local Exemption Board.

Gentlemen:

Letters coming to me indicate that the wives and parents of men in the army are not well posted upon the allotments and allowances made for the support of those dependent upon soldiers. I would be glad for you to get the local papers to carry a summary of these allotments and allowances given below. A number of fathers and mothers have been to see me, complaining that they could not live without the services of their sons, and in every case when I have explained these allotments and allowances, they have gone away entirely satisfied so far as the question of their support is concerned.

Summary: It is expected that every soldier shall allot a portion of his wages to those dependent upon him. With respect to a wife or child the Government requires an allotment of not less than \$15 per month. The judgment of the Government is that the balance of the soldier's wages will be ample for him. The Government clothes, feeds and doctors a soldier and pays every necessary expense, so that after making this allotment of \$15 to those dependent upon him, he has \$15 a month for his own personal expenses. An unmarried soldier should certainly make an allotment of \$15 per month to those dependent upon him, if there be any. Certainly neither he nor they should make any complaint until this is done.

In addition to these allotments from the wages of the soldier, the Government makes to dependents the following allowance Class A. Wife, child, or children:

- If there be a wife but no child, \$15.
- If there be a wife and one child, \$25.
- If there be a wife and two children, \$32.50, with \$5 per month for each additional child.
- If there be no wife, but one child, \$5.
- If there be no wife, but two children, \$12.50.
- If there be no wife, but three children, \$20.
- If there be no wife, but four children, \$30, with \$5 per month additional child.

Class B. Grandchild, parent, brother or sister:

- If there one parent, \$10.
- If there be two parents, \$20.
- For each grandchild, brother, sister, and additional parent, \$5.

It will be seen from the above that the total provision made by the Government for a dependent out of the soldier's wages and out of the fund provided by Congress, is \$25 per month for one parent; \$30 per month for wife; \$35 per month for two parents; \$40 per month for wife and one child, with \$5 per month for each additional child. For wife, one child and parents the Government will pay \$45 per month, plus \$15 out of the soldier's wages, making \$60 per month. Application for these allowances should be made to the Commissioner of Military and Naval Insurance, Washington, D. C.

Please give the important matters and figures the widest publicity.

Very truly yours  
T. W. BICKETT,  
Governor.

Raleigh, N. C.,  
Nov. 19, 1917.

Mrs. C. H. Godwin received a telegram yesterday telling her of the sudden death of her mother at Elizabeth City.

## Visiting Newspaper Man.

Friday afternoon of last week, Mr. Bently Woodward, Managing Editor of The Robersonville Herald, was a visitor in town. He called at The Enterprise office and spoke very enthusiastically of his work, which is exhibited on the pages of the Herald each week. That paper is one of the cleanest looking sheets in the State, and Mr. Woodward is contemplating changing it back to the old price of \$1.00 per year. He also announces that he will get out a Christmas edition, if the business men of his town will give him proper support. The Herald office is one of the best equipped in the East, as all of its equipment was new when the business was started. It carries a splendid line of advertising, for the business men of Robersonville are wise, hence the rapid progress of the town.

## Safe Moving By Railroads

Troop movement figures to date indicate that the railroads of this country have safely transported approximately 1,500,000 soldiers to training camps and embarkation points since August 1st, according to a statement made public by Chairman Fairfax Harrison, of the Railroads' War Board. Five hundred thousand of these men have made journeys necessitating overnight travel and have been moved in tourist or standard sleepers furnished by the Pullman Company.

One of the long hauls, 8,000 men were moved from a training camp on the Western Coast to a point on the Eastern Coast, a distance of 3,700 miles in less than a week. The men travelled in sixteen sections, each section comprising 12 tourist cars and 2 baggage cars.

## Farmers Have Rolls Of Money.

The farming industry in Martin County has in the year 1917 put the people on the high shelf as to making money. Produce has brought such high prices that the low production has not changed conditions at all.

A fruit tree agent, who has been in this section delivering orders, remarked that everybody seemed to have plenty of money. That even the negroes living in rude huts in the country, would take out large rolls of bills when they went to pay for their trees. Most of these had raised acres of high-priced tobacco which was sold on the Williamston market. If this agent had looked around, he would probably have seen hogs in the field and plenty of corn in the crib.

If these small farmers will take good care of what has been made this year so as to begin right next year, the end of the season of 1918 will find them more bountifully blessed, if nothing comes to hinder the growing crops.

## Won Commission.

A letter from John W. Hassell to relatives here state that he has been given a commission as 2nd Lieutenant in the Infantry, having graduated from the training camp at Ft. Oglethorpe, which closed Tuesday of this week. He makes the fourth Williamston boy who has been commissioned at that camp, the other three being Elbert S. Peel, Julius S. Peel and LeRoy Anderson.

Misses Aiken and Lyons spent Thanksgiving here with friends.

## Some More About Wood

The cold weather this week has brought up the fuel question once more, especially when a man brings you a cord of wood and asks \$7.00 for it; if you do not buy it, your neighbor will. And you cannot freeze, so out comes the 7 simeleons and the wood is yours. If people with money and wooded land would picture in their minds the situation which will bring suffering to many, there would be a woodyard started and wood would be sold at a living price. The town authorities are not inclined to begin anything, as other places are doing. There are thousands of cords of wood in less than a mile of the town, which could be easily accumulated for the people to purchase to keep from suffering this winter, but folks are too conservative to do anything around here. When the cold weather comes, it will be everlastingly too late to get enough wood to keep from suffering. There should be some provision to lower the present cost anyway.

## Died.

Mr. Jno. Daniel Coltrain, of Cross Road Township who was one of the oldest citizens of the county died at his home on the 22nd he had past his 88th birthday by a few months.

He wore the gray for 4 years being a member of Company H. 17th N. C. Troops while in the service he was severely wounded and suffered the afflictions of the same at every future step in life.

He was reared and lived and died on the farm, though he filled the sphere of an humble citizen, it is said of him that he was an honorable one, which is as high a station as any man can attain on earth.

## Died In Tarboro.

Thursday of last week, Mr. Thomas Bell, who lived with his family on the farm of Mr. Van Taylor on the Hamilton road died in the General Hospital at Tarboro. He had been ill with typhoid fever and tho somewhat improved, it was thought necessary to have an operation but his strength was not able to hold up under it. His body was brought home and interred the following day.

He was an industrious farmer and had made a neat sum of money this year, which enabled him to provide comfortably for his wife and two children. The sympathy of the community in which he lived goes out to the bereaved ones in their affliction.

## What Is Needed For Control Of Hog Cholera.

A farming community that knows hog cholera, the ways in which it is spread, and the best methods of combating it.

A community so organized that every farmer will be ready to help his neighbors by informing them and the proper State officials of the existence of cholera wherever this may come, to his notice, and where every farmer knows where to get good serum quickly.

Readily available serum at reasonable prices.

A sufficient number of skilled men to administer the serum.

Miss Penelope Biggs spent Thanksgiving in Washington.

## WILLIAMSTON

### GRADED SCHOOLS

#### Honor Roll For Month Ending November, 23.

I wish to announce that the children whose names appear below have earned a place on the honor roll of the Williamston Public Schools. To appear on this roll a pupil must make an average of 95 on daily recitations and must be neither absent nor tardy during the month. Each month the honor roll will be printed in this paper.

First Grade-Miss Georgia Joyner, Teacher.

Agnes Chesson, Eugenia Hoyt, Herman Monarch, Ruth Peele, Annie Williams, Second Grade-Miss Beda Teague, Teacher.

Asa Crawford, Hazel Edmonson, Paul Godwin, Third Grade-Miss Penelope Biggs, Teacher.

Evelyn Harrison, Trulah Ward Page, Martha Leggett, Fourth Grade-Miss Fannie M. Manning, Teacher.

Margaret Manning, Laura Orleans, Fifth Grade-Miss Adelaide Jobe, Teacher.

Bryant Carstarphen, Gaylord Harrison, Robert Manning, Sixth Grade-Miss Christine Pridden, Teacher.

Emma Belle Harris, Minnie Robertson, Esther Harrison, Martha Harrison, Seventh Grade-Miss Christine Pridden, Teacher.

Beatrice Burrell, Earl Garrett, The High School-E. E. Bundy, Miss Jessie Hodges, Mrs. W. H. Harrell, Teachers.

Louise Robertson, Ethel Griffin, Louise Harrison, Sarah Harrell.

## December Term Of Court

The December Term of Martin County Superior Court will convene here on Monday, December 10th, and continue for one week. Judge Frank Daniels will preside. The Criminal Docket has a number of cases, several of which are important. As usual the Civil Docket is well filled.

## With The F. & M. Bank

Mr. Gilbert Peel, who has been with the Peoples Bank since its organization and was employed at the Bank of Martin County, has recently accepted a position with the F. & M. as Asst. Cashier. He has proven himself perfectly capable in banking business, and no doubt, will reach further promotion as the years go by.

Congress assembles on Monday, and then people will not be able to breathe so freely for watching the movement of aspiring senators and congressmen. Next year is the election time and many men will proceed with caution.

Why cannot Martin County have a fair next year? Now is a good time to formulate plans for it. Our people would take to the idea with enthusiasm, and the progressive farmers, of whom there are many, would bend every energy to take the first prize. Let's start the movement.

## Miss Ella Louise Wynne.

The subject of this sketch, Ella Louise Wynne, daughter of B. F. and the late Mary Wynne, was born near Everett, N. C., Dec. 6th, 1883, and died at the same place, November 20th, 1917. She had been a sufferer from tubercular trouble for some years, and during the past months had been confined to her room for the most of the time.

About fifteen years ago, she united with the Missionary Baptist Church at Everett, and since that time had lived a godly and christian life. She bore her sufferings with exemplary patience and frequently spoke of her readiness to receive the Master, when He should be pleased to come for her. She delighted to speak of her home in Heaven, and for the rest that remained for her there.

On Wednesday, November 21st in the presence of a great concourse of people, whose attendance bore eloquent testimony to the love and esteem in which she was held by all who knew her, simple funeral services, conducted by Rev. W. R. Burrell, of Williamston, were held, and in the soft glow and hush of the lovely autumn day, her body was laid to rest in the family burying ground, there to await, in sure and certain hope, the resurrection to eternal life.

She leaves to mourn her passing her aged father, two brothers and a younger sister to whom is extended the sympathy of the entire community.

## Cleared of Charge

Saturday, the trial of Arthur G. Perry for the killing of Jodie Ward at Rocky Mount was held and Perry was cleared, the verdict being that of unavoidable accident. Messrs. W. C. Manning and John Tetterton went up to render any assistance that was possible to Perry. Friends and relatives here are pleased to learn that Perry was cleared of all charge of criminal negligence in the case, which is one to be always deplored, and great sympathy is felt for the parents of the little boy, who was taken to Wilson for burial.

## Help The Red Cross

Very few people there are who do not know something about the work of the Red Cross Society, especially now when the work has been multiplied by hundreds. Martin County has gone into the work to aid, and every man, woman and child should lend a hand to help. There are many who have not joined the Red Cross Society, but who can give something, if only a \$1.00 to help in buying material for bandages, etc. Think how, perhaps, some one in whom you are vitally interested may be wounded or sick, and the Red Cross nurses and workers will minister to him; will you not want to share in equipping these workers for the best service? "If you cannot go, send" is the missionary cry, and it is applicable to the time when everything is being done to alleviate the sufferings of the brave men at the front. Don't be a slacker, but help in some way.

## Martin County Cotton Report

There were 2832 bales of cotton, counting round as half bales, ginned in Martin County, from the crops of 1917 prior to November 14, 1917, as compared with 6371 bales ginned to Nov. 14, 1916.

## Has Been Given Help

Sunday evening at the services at the Methodist Church, Mrs. Bland, who lives near town, was prostrated by an affliction which comes on her occasionally, and attention had to be given her at once. It was found that she was thinly clad and as the night was intensely cold, proper wraps and shoes were provided for her and friends procured an auto and took her home. This week, a sum of money has been raised to help her. It was learned that she has five children, and though relatives help much as they can, she was in need. Her troubles touched hearts of people who planned to help her.

## The First Snow

The first snowflakes of the season fell here about 5:30 on Saturday morning, and the cold settled down upon folks whether they had any fuel or not. Sunday and Monday mornings, ice was found to be plentiful, and it seemed that old Winter had blown his fiercest breath upon this part of the world.

## Six Men Sent To Camp Jackson

The Martin County Board of Exemption met here Monday and issued orders to six white men to report here yesterday, Nov. 29th, at 4 o'clock p. m. They left today on the 8:17 train for Camp Jackson, Columbia, S. C. The regulations called for the sending of the colored selected men also, but a telegram was received from the War Department instructing the Board to hold these men until further notice.

The men who left this morning were:

Howard Horton Weeks, William Thomas Crisp, John Arnold Ward, Jesse C. Hyman, Hiram A. Ange, Joseph E. Harper.

## TICK-FREE DAY

Why the South Will Celebrate December 1, 1917

A wide wedge has been driven through the lines of the deadly cattle fever tick to the Gulf, and this bloodletting parasite is on the run.

Federal quarantine will be lifted on December 1 from 65,520 square miles, dipped free this year.

The entire State of Mississippi is tick free and will be released from quarantine.

The tick has been dipped out of 90 counties and parts of counties in other States.

A total area of 379,312 square miles has been cleared of ticks since 1906 and given the opportunity to develop the great cattle-raising and dairying industry to which its climate and soil entitle it.

Tick fever no longer in these sections will kill thousands of cattle annually. Spring losses will be importantly reduced.

The tick's knell is sounded. Not much longer will it be allowed to waste meat and milk needed to feed our armed forces.

The people in many counties throughout the infested area patriotically are building dipping vats and preparing to dip out the ticks in 1918. The year of 1921 is fixed for complete eradication of the tick from the South.

Join with the free areas in celebrating on December 1.