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Jamesville Breaks All Records.

In all campaigns up to the Red Cross Drive, the people of Jamesville Township have been slow but have gone over the top in each one.

Our people have responded so earnestly in the Red Cross campaign, that we feel that we are entitled to sufficient space in our county paper to congratulate ourselves. This campaign was opened by Hon. H. W. Stubbs on Monday night at the Christian Church, and he won his audience and we raised the great sum of \$611.00. We thought it great for Jamesville, and our people rejoiced at such a victory. On Friday night, Hon. H. W. Stubbs and Rev. W. R. Burrell with others went to Dardens, and again we were surprised when \$200 were pledged. On last Sunday, Messrs. Clayton Moore, Wheeler Martin and A. Corey went to Free Union Church, which is a great settlement of the old free negroes, and we received in cash and in pledges \$205.00. On Sunday night at a mass meeting of all the colored congregations in Jamesville, A. Corey spoke and \$631.00 were pledged, making a total for Jamesville Township of \$1,646.00. With some in the hands of our Red Cross Aux., and other pledges, we have gone over the top by twelve times our apportionment of \$150.00.

Our people are so rejoiced that we can not stop. On Monday, the entire town with a number of others came together and gave a barbecue dinner to the twelve boys who had been called from our township, and many others from Griffins. The good work still goes on. On next Sunday night everybody is cordially invited to be present at a memorial and thanksgiving service to be held in town in memory of our boys who have gone, and the great interest and the amount raised for the Red Cross. Don't fail to be there.

Selected Men Leave.

Tuesday morning, seventy-two strong young men of Martin County left for Camp Jackson. They assembled here on Monday afternoon, and were addressed by R. J. Peel, Clerk of the Court, who urged them to do their full duty which he felt sure that they would do at all times. All those who could were allowed to spend the night at home, and those who desired were sent to the hotels and to private homes.

A large crowd of both town and country folks assembled at the station to see them off and to cheer them on their way. They went with a smile, determined to do the duty nearest them.

A number of boys from Washington County were on the same train, and both squads were in charge of an officer sent from the Camp.

Booze In Suitcase.

Saturday, Chief Page nabbed Charles Hardison, a young white man of the county, who was ready to leave on the noon train for Jamesville. The reason for the arrest was that Hardison was carrying five good quarts of "hardpush" in his suitcase. He said that he had found the stuff in the backyard of a man in the country; evidently this was true, but the owner of the yard was no doubt in the illicit business. Hardison was tried before Justice Manning and bound over to court in the sum of \$250. Beasley Hardison, the father of the young man, giving the bond for him.

Thanks To The Red Cross

Mr. W. C. Manning,
My dear Sir:
Will you kindly grant me a little space in The Enterprise to speak a few words in regard to the Red Cross and its great work for the soldier boys.

I myself never knew how to appreciate it until May 10th, the morning I left for Fort Screven, Ga., when Mr. J. L. Hassell presented me with a comfort bag filled by the God-sent organization.

The bag contained several different articles. I could not safely put the proper valuation on them but some were from \$5 to \$10. There is not a thing in this bag I do not need--each article is useful.

On May 18th, we entrained at 6 o'clock p. m., bound for Camp Wadsworth, S. C. we spent several hours in station before we started; about 11:30 we arrived at Savannah, all tired and sleepy. I looked out the window and saw a Red Cross worker; I do not know how many there were at the Union Station waiting for the boys. They gave us ginger ale, sandwiches, cigarettes and magazines. Again I was struck very forcibly with what the Red Cross workers are doing to make the soldiers feel good and cheerful.

I want to say to those who are in the work--never think that your money has gone on a useless mission, for some one will reap the pleasure and you will reap the reward due every cheerful giver.

I hope every one in dear old Martin will help this great cause, for this is a time when we must help each other, or be left behind.

As ever yours,
A. B. Rodgerson,
Co. M. 54th U. S. Inf.

Honor Roll For May.

First Grade
Alton, Daniel, George Gurganus.

Second Grade
Sophia Little, Susie James, Thomas Crawford, Asa Crawford, Frances Jordan, Paul Godwin.

Third Grade
Evelyn Harrison, Trulah Ward Page, Martha Leggett, James Herbert Ward, Charles Peele.

Fourth Grade
Benjamin Courtney, Lon Hassell, Laura Orleans, Margaret Manning, Sarah Brown Leggett.

Fifth Grade
Stella Ward, Harry James, William Hodges.

Sixth Grade
Thelma Brown, Louise Crawford, Bonner Gurganus, Emma-bel Harris, Martha Harrison, Mary Leggett, Herbert Peele, Minnie Robertson.

Seventh Grade
Beatrice Burrell, Ethel Harris, Mary Gladys Watts.

High School
Howard Herrick, Martha Slade Hassell, Francis Manning, Nellie Wynne, Estelle Crawford, Mattie Lou Anderson, Boyd Hight Ethel Griffin.

To Begin Work.

The re-drying plant of F. H. Saunders & Co., will begin the second season next week. The firm is advertising for 200 women for regular work and good pay. A large lot of Kentucky tobacco is on hand to be re-dried and packed. The plant will be enlarged this year, as its capacity is not great enough for the amount of tobacco to be handled.

Red Cross At Robersonville.

Saturday afternoon the Robersonville Chapter of the American Red Cross, held a mass meeting preceded by an attractive parade through the streets of the town. Private Ronald Campbell, who spoke at Williamston on Thursday of last week, delivered the address. While showing the audience the working of an automatic pistol which had been the property of a German soldier on the Western front in France, he accidentally put a bullet into his foot. With the blood oozing out of his shoe, he wanted to continue his address, but finally succumbed and was attended to by physicians. Sunday, Private Campbell spoke in the Theatre at Washington to an immense audience, having gone to the hospital an hour before and had the bullet extracted. Robersonville's apportionment was \$600.00 and they raised \$1,200.00 Saturday; this has been augmented since. A number of Williamston people went out Saturday to see the parade and to listen to Mr. Campbell again.

Gave To Red Cross.

The High School at Everetts had its commencement exercises last week--two evenings and one afternoon--and gave from the receipts \$42.00 to the Red Cross Auxiliary. This was a most creditable thing to do and shows the sympathetic relation that the pupils and teachers have to the great work which is helping to win the war for the safety of the world. The school had very pleasing programmes on all three occasions, and Rev. W. R. Burrell delivered the annual address. The school was under the management of Misses Woodburn, Aiken and Lyon.

Demonstrator In The County.

Miss Gluyas, of Charlotte, who has been appointed Canning demonstrator for Martin County, arrived last week, and is getting ready for work. She went to Everetts on Tuesday to perfect an organization there. She will also teach Home Economics wherever desired. The preliminary work had been done by Miss Crawford under the supervision of Supt. Manning.

Contributed To Red Cross.

On Sunday afternoon, Messrs. Clayton Moore and Wheeler Martin went to Free Union (colored) Church near Jamesville and made a plea for the purchase of War Savings Stamps. The large audience present were anxious to contribute towards the Red Cross Fund, and the sum of \$500.00 was raised, which shows that the colored race is right in line. One aged preacher, who said that he was with Gen. Ransom during the Civil War, contributed \$50.00. The meeting was a very enthusiastic one, and the amount given with that contributed in Jamesville at night, makes \$808.00 for the free-offering of the colored people of that section for the work of the American Red Cross.

To Come Later.

Col. I. M. Meekins, who was billed to speak here on Wednesday, could not come, and it was decided to have him here some night during War Savings Week--June 23--28. Circulars had been distributed before he notified the committee that he could not be here at this time.

The Colored People of Jamesville Go Over The Top

The greatest meeting among the colored people of our community was held here Sunday night, Rev. A. Corey who had on several other occasions and subjects addressed our people, kindly consented to speak for us, and all the congregations were asked to come together in a great mass meeting at the Methodist Church and surely they all heeded the request and the house was filled with anxious and interested hearers. Mr. Corey was at his best and made one of the strongest and most stirring speeches ever heard by our people. He spoke in detail of the great war and work being done by the Red Cross Society, and for forty minutes his audience was spell bound in interest and attention to most wonderful address. Then Mr. C. A. Askew was called to the front and the pledges were taken and on several times they had to hold up until Mr. Askew could write the names and amounts as they were given in, and after all had been listed and the total was made up it was found that they had actually given \$621.00.

Our people feel grateful for the splendid meeting and incomparable victory and most wonderful speech and meeting ever witnessed by our community. We wish to commend him to the people both white and colored and bespeak for him a great success when he shall have opportunity to present himself on any subject. We feel that his speech has not been surpassed by any and ask you to hear him when you can.

W. H. Ellison.

Pay To Any Bank.

Dr. John D. Biggs, Chairman of the Second War Fund of the Red Cross, wishes to inform all those who have pledged to this fund that they may pay it to any bank in Martin County, and get a receipt for same. Receipt books have been furnished every bank in the county, who will gladly take the pledges and turn them over to the Treasurer of the Fund, Mr. Thomas Getsinger, Asst. Cashier of the Martin County Savings and Trust Co.

A Young Boy Dead

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Whitley was saddened on last Friday, May 24th, by the death of their young son, Oundlers Gleen, who was stricken with appendicitis and failed to rally from the operation. His case was a very severe one, and the operation probably came too late. He was born on September 18th, 1911, and was only six years, eight months and six days old.

The little body was laid to rest in the Green Cemetery and the spirit went to God who gave it earth just for a short while, where life in the home was made sweeter by its presence.

"A precious one from us is gone. A voice we loved is stilled, A place is vacant in the home, Which never can be filled?"

Go To Washington City.

Mr. Homer Peel, a son of Martin County who has been in the State Treasurer's office for some time, has recently accepted a position with the government at Washington City. Mr. Peel is an expert accountant. He is the son of the late W. Hyman Peel.

Proud Of Martin County

Dear Mr. Editor:
The good work that Martin County is doing, and the efforts of its citizens to do all in their power to help win this war, just makes my chest swell with pride to be a native of the county. I have visited many parts of the East and South, but to me there is no place like Martin County. And the people who live within its borders are the best; it is the garden spot of this old world to me. I am proud of the Home Folks and the good work that they are doing.

I am in the service to do my bit and to that duty I shall strive to live and fight to the last breath in the interest of civilization and democracy. My comrades have the same spirit, and I feel safe in expressing thanks in their behalf.

Our government has not come to the striking point yet, but when it does, soon will the world have peace again. That time is not so far off, if we all do our share in the scrap.

Attention: One and all, comrades and people: stand by the President, exert every energy and keep it up until the common enemy (I should say barbarous enemy) has been conquered to the point where he will never endanger the world again.

Give my comrades that helping hand and word of good cheer from home, and they will lick the Huns from the face of the earth.

Sincerely,
Bernard L. Hines,
Corp. Co. M. 147 Reg.
Camp Sheridan,
Ala.

Will Graduate At Converse

Friends here have received invitations to the commencement exercises of Converse College, Spartanburg, S. C., May 31st-June 3rd. Among those to receive the A. B. degree is Miss Francis Elizabeth Knight, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Knight, of Williamston.

Eclipse Of The Sun

There will be a total eclipse of the sun on June 8th. It will be seen in North Carolina as a partial eclipse. It has been a number of years since there was a total eclipse seen in this section. Eclipses are always interesting, especially to the scientist. At Little Rock, Ark., where the National Editorial Association meets at that time, a large platform has been erected upon which those attending the meeting may stand and view the eclipse.

In New Quarters

Mr. K. B. Crawford, agent for all kinds of insurance, who has been occupying a room in the Godard building, has moved to the new building of The Peoples Bank. His offices are located on the second floor front, and he will be pleased to have his friends call there when in need of anything in the insurance line. His phone number remains the same.

Notice

It is the rule of every newspaper in the world to discard all communications which are unsigned. The Enterprise has and is following that rule. Only recently, some items were received that were unsigned. Sign everything you send, and your name will be left out at your request.

Afterthoughts Of The Parade

"They say" that it was great, and it was. The underlying thought in its creation was to appeal to the minds and hearts of the people and it did. There was beauty, there was strength, there was a blending of youth and age, the contrast of happiness and misery, music to thrill and white-robed women and girls as symbols of Mercy all designed and executed with precision. Not a jarring note, not a complaining word, but all one harmonious chord which answered back the call from across the seas, telling of hearts and hands ready and willing to serve for those who were braving the horrors of war for home and country over there.

The Hamilton Auxiliary sent one of the most expressive floats--giving a perfect idea of service which the Red Cross offers; Oak City brought representatives of the forty-nine patriotic women who are in the fight to win, and who brought news of a splendid offering; the brown-clad Camp Fire Girls who combine the pleasures of forest life with service; the Junior Auxiliary, little children, white-clad and sweet with the freshness of the morning; as an object of especial beauty, the Rodgerson car carried off the honors; with its white furnishings, supplies, nurses and the patient in the ambulance told of the service "over there;" it was indeed fitting that a float should represent France for which America is spilling its best blood, and the representation was one of beauty; the work room of the Martin County Chapter told the whole story of what the Red Cross workers are doing and a long line of these followed; Columbia supported by the two strong arms of the government the Army and the Navy fittingly represented the great Republic; all these and many others made up the whole of a beautiful and impressive display of Red Cross activities. One cannot think over the things seen without enjoying again the music rendered by the accomplished members of the Macesfield Band, who gave inspiration to the hundreds on that day. And no one can forget the division made up of colored workers, who are forming one strong link in the chain of service.

Remembering the sum of money contributed to the Second War Fund here, it is well to say that the lunch served by the members of the Red Cross here was profitable, and "went like hot cakes." The sum of \$126.00 was realized, and still more could have been sold. This sum will be applied to the work in the Chapter.

Enlisted For Service

Charles S. Biggs has enlisted in the Marines this week. He will be one among the registrants on June 5th, and decided to volunteer before that day. Robert S. Biggs, who has been at Camp McClellan, Anniston, Ala., has left there and expects to leave for France soon. Jack W. Biggs has applied for Y. M. C. A. service in France, and hopes to be sent over soon. All three of these men are members of the same family, and every one volunteers.

Mrs. J. Burke Haywood Knight left Thursday a. m. for Spartanburg to be present at Converse College commencement to witness the graduation of her daughter Miss Frances Elizabeth Knight, who has been at Converse for four years.