

Don't Fail to be at the Schoolhouse of Your District Friday at 6 p. m.

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## THE VICTORIOUS ITALIANS

### DISASTER OVERTAKES THE AUSTRIAN FORCES.

The Italians have captured 45,000 Austrian prisoners besides killing a very large number. Thousands of dead Austrians are floating down the Piave river. Disorder and confusion attend the retreating Austrians.

Enormous stores of war material have been taken by the Italians.

Strikes in Austria, which are too numerous to be controlled by police and soldiers, demand peace at once. The strike is general throughout the Empire, and the contagion has gone into Germany, where workmen are holding demonstrations regardless of the presence of soldiers. "Unless we get more to eat we will not work" is their cry.

American Airplanes rendered great assistance to the Italians during this terrific furor.

It is reported that Germany is rushing aid to the Austrians.

Austria wanted this great battle, which has been lost to them, postponed, but Germany, her ruthless ally said, no.

Heretofore it has been Austria-Hungary, but now it can be properly stated Austria-Hungary-Hungary, as all these great strikes in that empire are the results of hunger.

## THE ORPHANS

### COMING

A Chapter of Orphans from the Oddfellows' Orphanage at Goldsboro will be in Brevard again July Fourth, and will give a musical entertainment at the Auditorium about 8 o'clock P. M. A song service which is always good, will be rendered by the children. It is hardly necessary to insist upon Brevard people to give them a good audience for they always do this.

In these strenuous war times we must not forget these little fatherless and motherless tots, who so bravely and cheerfully entertain us with their delightful concerts, nor must we forget the motives of that great organization, the Oddfellows, in so kindly caring for them. Your own child may be numbered with orphans at an hour when you think not. The Orphanage makes good citizens of little waifs, who otherwise might grow up in ignorance and crime. Rally to them. If you can't go, then step in to Clement's Jewelry Store and reserve tickets for someone else who can go.

Every Oddfellow IS EXPECTED to be at a special call meeting Monday night at 8 P. M. Sharp to arrange for the entertaining of these little tots.

## MASONS ELECT OFFICERS FOR YEAR

At the regular meeting held Friday night, June 21st, Dunns Rock Lodge elected Frank D. Clement Worshipful Master; Claud K. Osborne, Senior Warden; C. O. Robinson, Junior Warden; T. S. Wood, Treasurer, Chas. M. Doyle Secretary.

The installation of officers will take place on Friday night at 8:30 p. m., July 5th, 1918.

The Lodge authorized Chas. M. Doyle as secretary to pledge the Lodge to buy \$50.00 worth of War Savings Stamps. The Lodge took \$200.00 worth of Liberty Bonds. The Lodge made a pledge to the Red Cross during the drive last month.

## BREVARD INSTITUTE NOTES

Prof. Trowbridge is at Lake Junaluska this week, attending the M. E. Church, South Conference, now in session there.

Miss Callahan went to Erwin, Tenn., last week for a short visit to her brother Walter, who had six days' short leave. Mr. Callahan, who is on the transport, Susquehanna, has crossed over-seas several times.

Monday, a number of our young people hiked to Elk Lodge to see the sun rise, and in the afternoon a large party motored to Caesars Head.

New students are coming almost every day for the summer school.

## NAMES TO BE PUBLISHED

At the meeting of the Township chairmen of the War Savings Drive it was decided to print the names of every person in the County with the amount of War Stamps they have subscribed for. You will be able to see whether your neighbor is a slacker or not. In subscribing for these War Stamps no one gives anything; they have just agreed to save that much before January 1st, 1919. These stamps are as good as money and draw 4 per cent. compounded every three months, which means a little better than 4 1-2 per cent.; tax free, which again means about 6 1-2 on your money. These certificates can be registered at the Post-Office so no one but you yourself can get the money on the Stamps. You can get your money any time after ten days notice to the Post Master.

## MORE BOYS GONE

Last Tuesday seventeen more boys left for training camps to prepare for fighting the enemy of humanity, the Huns. If all our people would show as great willingness to sustain these boys, and all others who have already gone, as these young men manifested in going, then would we be getting in shape to fight successfully. Some of our citizens have not fully realized the gravity of the situation. It is not stolid indifference on their part, but lack of knowledge of the real situation.

Just before the boys left they were presented with comfort kits by the Red Cross.

A list of the names was given in last week's issue of the News.

A large throng accompanied them to the station.

## TRANSYLVANIA CROP

The wheat crop in Transylvania is probably larger than ever before, and we learn it is fairly good. It is now being harvested. The Rye crop is also large.

All other crops are promising good results.

## FUNGUS DISEASE OF BEANS AND BITTER ROT IN APPLE TREE LEAVES IN THE COUNTY.

In going over the County I found a lot of people complaining about their beans dying or not growing and leaves and found them affected with fungus. I sent some of the beans and leaves that were affected to Mr. F. A. Wolfe, state botanist at Raleigh, who examined the beans and apple leaves and found them affected with the following diseases.

The beans were affected by a fungus disease the organism of which belongs to the species of the Rhizoctonia. The organism seems to depend entirely upon wet situations or pond entirely upon wet situations or tonia. The organism seems to depend entirely upon wet situations or wet weather for its best development and attacks other garden plants.

The disease is also favored by acid soils. Practically all that can be done to control it is to make an application of lime, see that the land is well drained and stir the land as soon after a rain as possible, as the fungus has been found to enter the plants near the ground level and there is less danger of infection when the ground is stirred.

The apple tree leaves were found to be affected with a bitter rot. In some places in the County the trees have shed from one third to one half of their leaves. All diseases and dead limbs affected with cankers should be removed and an application of bordeaux Mixture and arsenate of lead applied in the form of a spray. In general where orchards are properly sprayed and pruned they are not affected with bitter rot. The bitter rot also affects the apples causing them to rot.

R. E. Lawrence, County Agent

## LOSING OUT

We see it stated that prize fighters are very much chagrined because people do not come out to see them knock the stuffing out of each other. Let these ambitious fellows cross over the seas and knock the stuffing out of the kaiser and his clan, then they will perform a real service.

## WAR SAVINGS STAMPS CAMPAIGN

It is most gratifying to the campaign committee of the War-savings stamps drive to report a most enthusiastic and patriotic feeling among the people of the County towards this request of our government. Up till Friday night, with most of the districts to hear from, there was pledged over \$35,000. That credit is due to the people of very moderate means, who responded most liberally, and with but very few exceptions, everyone seen so far has pledged to the limit. A full list will be published later of the patriotic loyal citizens and the slackers as well. The campaign director, Mr. Silversteen, wishes to express his appreciation of the work done by all the members of the committee to whom the credit is due.

Below is found a list of the speakers at the different schoolhouses of the county on Friday at 6 P. M. Attendance to which is specially requested. Physical disability alone being an excuse for absence. The attendance is requested in a summons issued by President Wilson from the White House. Everyone be sure to attend.

Remember the date and come, Friday, June 28, at 6 o'clock P. M., and don't neglect an important duty.

Following is a list of the meeting places for the occasion:

Gloucester Township  
Pine Grove Schoolhouse, J. B. Price;  
Owens School House, Vance Galloway;  
Robinson School House, J. H. Houn;  
Shoal Creek School House, Dock McCall.

Horz Back Township:  
Quebec School House, W. B. Henderson;  
Lake Toxaway, W. H. Nicholson;  
Oakland, Tom Reid; Mount Vale S. R. Reid; Union School, J. T. Harrison.

Dunns Rock Township:  
Carson's Creek School House, Clifford Rafter;  
Hogged Creek, Alvel Haunt;  
Round Top, F. L. Wilson;  
Island Ford, C. B. Deaver.

Cathey's Creek Township:  
Cathey's Creek Schoolhouse, Rev. Poovey;  
Calvert, C. C. Duckworth;  
Rosman, J. S. Silversteen.

Estatee Township  
East Fork, Rev. G. F. Wright;  
Glad's Fork or Upper East Fork, Oak Mount, R. A. Garren;  
Old Toxaway, Coleman Galloway;  
Pleasant Hill, J. M. Powell.

Boyd Township  
Boyleston Districts, I. A. Duncan;  
Blantyre, W. L. Talley, Welch Galloway;  
Enon, J. W. Burnett;  
Turkey Creek, D. L. Bannard;  
Glade Creek, A. W. Mitchell.

Brevard Township  
Brevard schoolhouse, R. H. Zachary;  
Davidson River, Rev. Puett and Judge Allison;  
English Chapel, L. E. O'Kelly;  
Laurel Fork, Tom A. Dillard;  
Pink Beds, Ashbury Burns;  
Brevard Colored, Rev. Seagle.

Little River Township:  
Little River Schoolhouse, Henry Middleton and W. E. Brees;  
Laurel Creek, Bob Gash;  
Burnt Mountain, W. P. Summey;  
Cedar Mountain, G. W. Bishop.

## WEDNESDAY CLUB MEETING

At the Brevard Wednesday Club, which met Tuesday, the 25th, with Mrs. Brodie, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, Mrs. J. S. Bromfield, Vice-president, Mrs. C. M. Doyle; Recording-Sec., Mrs. O. L. Erwin; Corresponding-Sec and Treasurer, Mrs. O. W. Godfrey.

It was decided, also, that instead of disbanding for the summer, as usual, the club dissolve itself into a Red Cross Unit to work at the Red Cross every Wednesday evening from four to six.

It is hoped that when members are not able to attend, that substitutes be provided, same as in regular club work.

## OLD FOLKS DAY AT METHODIST CHURCH.

A special message to elderly people will be given by the pastor of the Methodist Church at 11 A. M., Sunday. The old songs will be used. The first of a series of "Short Sermons for Summer Evenings" will be delivered at 8:30 P. M.

Buy War-Savings Stamps and do it now.

## NATIONAL LEAGUE W. S. HOLD MEETING

An important business meeting of the National League for Woman's Service of Transylvania county, was held on Thursday afternoon, June twentieth, at the home of the chairman, Mrs. J. S. Silversteen. Various committees were appointed to carry on the general work taken up by the League, and a motion passed to hold meetings on the fourth Thursday of each month at the home of the chairman. All members of the League are requested to attend these meetings, as they will, at such times, take up the business side of the work. All persons interested in making comfort kits for our boys and in Food Conservation will be most welcome.

Elizabeth M. Silversteen, Chairman.

## W. S. S. ROUND UP MEETING JUNE 28

June 28 at 6 p. m. is the day and hour set apart as a kind of round-up meeting in the schoolhouse of each district and every person in the district is expected to be present to see what has been done in the War Savings Stamp department. A roll will be called and a full register of all present will be made. Speakers have been provided.

## PICTURES FOR RED CROSS BENEFIT

Frank D. Clement has very kindly agreed to turn over the use of the auditorium to the Red Cross every Tuesday and Thursday during the months of July and August. Some of the best pictures on the road have been booked for these shows and the artists include Mary Pickford, Dustin Farnum and others.

The first picture will feature Dustin Farnum in "Reaching for the Moon" and will be shown either July 3rd or 5th, as the Odd Fellows have the auditorium for the Fourth.

## BETTERMENT ASSOCIATION HOLDS MEETING.

The Betterment Association met Monday afternoon at 4:30 P. M., with a good attendance. The president reported nine dollars realized from Mr. Booth's play at Mrs. Doyle's home and a committee was appointed to request Mr. Booth to repeat the play at some other home for the benefit of those who had not seen it.

The question of movies for the colored people was discussed, and the ladies unanimously decided to endorse any movement toward providing clean wholesome amusement for this part of our population. The absolute necessity of such provision was fully realized and stressed. The next meeting of the betterment will be held July 30th at 4:30 P. M.

## DR. CHARLES E. BENNETT TO SUBSTITUTE FOR DR. McKINNEY

Dr. J. Y. McKinney, who received orders last week to be ready for active service within ten days, has secured the services of Dr. Chas. E. Bennett of Waynesville, to take his place while he is away. Dr. Bennett is a brother of Prof. Bennett of this place, and comes well recommended. Dr. McKinney just recently purchased new office fixtures and moved into the 5-room apartment over Welt's Store, where he has everything up-to-date.

We regret to lose Dr. McKinney, but we welcome Dr. Bennett in his place and wish for him every success.

## IN SESSION AT MONTREAT.

The Young People's Conference of the Presbyterian Church is in session at Montreat this week and will continue for ten days. The delegates consist of young men from 16 to 25, and the object is to fit them for better service in the Church.

## CHANGES POSITION

Ed Mackey, who has been in the grocery store with C. C. Yongue for a long while, has given up this job and has accepted a position at the tannery. J. Neely takes the place of Mr. Mackey in the store.

## YOUR DUTY TO READ THE NEWS

As every man in Transylvania County, and many outside, ought to be a subscriber to the Brevard News we want to give all a good opportunity to grasp it at the present price, \$1.00 per year. You can subscribe for as many years as you please at that price, but after Aug. 1, about one month off, the price will be \$1.50 in advance. The advance in the price of paper, together with the high cost of every kind of printing material, necessitates this change. The present rate does not cover the cost of the paper, neither will the advanced rate.

We expect to give our readers one of the largest, newsiest and best weekly papers in the State. Our Linotype is now at work and we expect each subsequent issue to be better than its immediate predecessor.

A good County paper should enter every household in the County. It is equally as cruel to starve the mind as to starve the body when mental food is cheap and easily in the reach of all.

The habitual reader is better prepared, by far, for the actual duties of life than the man whose brain is rendered sluggish by inactivity. When the habit of regular reading is formed the reader finds himself in a new world of thought which becomes a real source of pleasure as well as mental and financial profit.

We would think this a very cruel country if our laws forbade the publishing of newspapers, but the poorest boy in the land has the privilege to become President of this great Country, U. S., if he desires. The News Paper, within itself, is a great educator and should be in the home of every individual. To neglect your County Paper is to neglect the affairs of your County. Every individual should be interested in his own government, but if he neglects the source of this information he cannot exercise his rights as a citizen because he does not know them. Observation without education is manifestly a failure.

News papers are numerous throughout our land, but no one is void of merit. Some are better than others and we propose to make the Brevard News second to none in our land.

A reading man is a ready man in all good work. The man who does not read is a dead letter to himself and his Country.

Many of our people claim that they do not know what is transpiring in the County from day to day, do not know about the great financial drives the government is making from time to time; nor what the Red Cross the Y. M. C. A. and other great organizations are doing to help win the war. In these grave times, when no man knows when he may be called upon to help his government or may have to give up his son, brother or other loved one to this great cause, it behoves him to keep up with the times to know just what the government is doing and what it expects him to do. The plea of ignorance is absurd when for the insignificant sum of one dollar per year you can receive a first class newspaper for fifty weeks. It is your fault if you do not know what is happening. Parents of this County have boys over in France fighting for liberty, and it would cost but a trifle to send the News so they could be comforted by hearing from all parts of their home county at one time, and, also, observe what their government and home folks are doing to back them up.

The boys over there are making history and are protecting us, why should we not spread out, like a "green bay tree", and keep them and ourselves informed on home news.

Right now is the time to begin this work of love for our boys and liberty. The boys cannot come home until the war ends, and some of them may never reach home again. Let us help them in every way possible and then our consciences will be clear from neglect. The United States Government will deliver the paper to them and their joy in pulling off the wrapper would bring us nearer to a realization of what a great sacrifice they are making.

If you would keep up with events subscribe for the News at once.

At the present time your government asks you to save by buying War Savings Stamps. Stand by "Old Glory" and do your dead level best. Don't say you didn't know about it.

## DEATH OF J. W. MCMINN

The announcement of the death of Mr. John W. McMinn at John Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore on Tuesday evening has brought sorrow to the hearts of all of our people. You can see the grief reflected on every face, the low, hushed, softly spoken words give evidence of universal heart-aches. Mr. McMinn combined in mental, moral and spiritual make-up so many elements of greatness, so much of tenderness and affection that he won the hearts of all who came in contact with him. As a citizen he was a loyal patriot, with all that this means in its most intense sense. He was zealous in the discharge of every duty that devolved upon him.

As a business man he took a broad, progressive view of every question and was a leader in every movement that tended to the betterment of his county and community. He was generosity personified. No one, regardless of circumstances ever appealed to him for help and was turned away empty.

As a friend he was loyal and true. Endowed with a cherry, happy disposition he gathered around him a large circle of intimate friends, who delighted in his presence.

If I were called upon to name the main characteristics of Mr. McMinn, I would say it was tenderness, gentleness, affection and patriotism.

I would not invade the social associations of his home, but we can well imagine what kind of husband, father and brother he was.

I cannot think of Mr. McMinn and lose sight of my personal relations to him. It was my privilege to know him intimately from his infancy. His senior by many years, he treated me with a respect and tenderness that gripped him to my heart with an affection akin to that of a son—Words fail me when I would attempt to express my high regard and intense affection for the young friend of my old age.

Yes, you and I and all of us will miss him.

J. L. BELL

## JULY FOURTH, 1776

July the Fourth brings around the 138th year of American Independence for the United States and its celebration is observed all over the country, even by some who do not have an inkling of its significance. Though independent it has not been free all the while, and is not now, free from turmoil and strife. Among ourselves we are at peace, and are friendly toward the greater part of the world. The present conflict with Germany is for the purpose of freedom for the entire human family and to save all from the galling yoke of tyranny.

We have grown rapidly and have become the greatest power upon the face of the earth, financially, and in many other respects, numerically we have run over the hundred million mark. Intellectually we have no superiors. It may be that we are living too fast, and a check in that direction is necessary to show our real relations toward the rest of the world.

When Moses saw one of his fellows oppress he slew the enemy and afterwards redeemed his people.

As American citizens, and as a great republic, we cannot look upon oppression in any government, with any degree of complacency. Justice, Honor and Freedom for all capable people is the Independence motto. That is what we fought for in and previous to 1776, and that is what we are fighting for now.

Not a year has passed since 1776 that our people have not celebrated the Natal day, July the Fourth.

Patriotism is a part of our make-up and while all may not feel the proper impulses in the celebration of the day, the large majority look back with pride to the declaration that declared us a free and independent people. We want all other nations upon the earth to enjoy a like feeling.

It is high time you wake up and found out about it. The welfare of your Nation is at stake, your country calls on you to come to her Post-office or any store or bank and loan her your money at 4 1-2 per cent. interest. Will you do it?