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SAVINGS AND THRIFT

Judge Gilbert Stevenson, of Winston-Salem Made Great Speech Monday and Organized Haywood for a Campaign of Thrift.

Judge Gilbert Stevenson, of Winston-Salem, representative of President Wilson, and state organizer for the sale of war certificates and thrift stamps, made a great speech Monday afternoon to a small but appreciative audience on the war and the things it will require to win against Germany and her allies. Judge Stevenson was introduced by Chairman Dr. G. D. Green and is easily one of the smoothest speakers in the state. He is a worthy representative of the worthy cause he represents.

After giving a brief history of the war Germany has inaugurated against civilization and the world and an account of her 40 years of preparation he showed how well fortified and prepared she is and what a huge task America is confronting. He said the main things our government needs and must have are service and goods and to command service and buy materials with which to prosecute the war the government must have during this year nineteen billions of dollars. The only way to raise it is either by borrowing it from our people or taxing them for it. One-fifth is to be raised in taxes and the people are asked to loan the government the other four-fifths at a reasonable rate of interest. The first and second Liberty Loan campaigns have provided several billions and it is now proposed to go to the small investors and the children and raise two billions by the sale of thrift stamps and war saving certificates. It is proposed to organize economy and thrift societies in every school room, Sunday school, shop and factory all over our state and in all the states.

In speaking of the difficulties of organizing the army and navy on a war basis and procuring clothing, arms, etc., fast enough for the men he showed what Secretary Baker and others were up against and asked the people to economize on clothing, shoes and food that the boys in uniform may have a sufficiency. He said patched shoes and clothing now are badges of honor in this country and mark a man who is fighting at home the same as the boys in France.

This generation, said the speaker, is one of spendthrifts and they must be taught lessons of economy and thrift. Less than one-fifth of our men who die in the south need an administrator. It is quite different in the north and east. The yankees are rightly taught to save money but we are not. Extravagance is a sin. Someone has well said a dollar in hiding is a slacker dollar, a wasted dollar is a disgraceful dollar, while a dollar invested in Liberty Bonds, war certificates or thrift stamps is a patriotic dollar.

The following organization and committees were announced:

Haywood Executive Committee
Chairman, Dr. G. D. Green, Waynesville; vice chairman, J. H. Kirkpatrick, Canton; secretary, John F. Bass, Waynesville; publicity manager, J. E. Carraway, Waynesville.

Departmental Committees

Organization and Service.—Composed of chairman, vice chairman, secretary, publicity manager, chairman of each departmental committee and, in addition to these, the following: F. W. Miller, postmaster, Mrs. W. T. Crawford, Mrs. Lena B. Palmer, L. M. Welch, T. L. Green, George Ward, W. T. Denton, W. H. Ferguson, R. A. Sentelle, Dr. J. R. McCracken, county health officer, E. J. Robeson, town superintendent of schools, Waynesville; F. R. Menze, postmaster, Chas. F. Owen, town superintendent of schools, N. R. Wild, G. N. Henson, Dr. J. E. Wilson, R. 2, Canton; R. C. Long, Lake Junaluska; R. L. Prevost, Hazelwood; Glen Palmer, D. B. Noland, Crabtree; E. A. Wood, Clyde; Dr. S. L. Stringfield, Sunburst.

Finance.—J. M. Mock, chairman, J. R. Boyd, Waynesville; J. H. Kirkpatrick, Canton.

Schools.—Rev. E. A. Sentelle, chairman, county superintendent of schools, Mrs. Chas. E. Quiblan, Mrs. W. J. Haynes, C. A. Haynes, John M. Queen, Waynesville; Mrs. C. J. Hande, Chas. F. Owen, Canton; Mrs. Sam L. Stringfield, Sunburst; Chas. B. Hawkins, Clyde.

Churches.—Rev. W. B. West, chairman, Rev. G. F. Mason, Miss Hattie Siler, Rev. A. V. Joyner, Rev. Albert New, Mrs. A. V. Joyner, Mrs. W. T. Crawford, Mrs. J. W. Reed, J. P. Knox, Waynesville; Rev. R. E. Hunt, Rev. L. Q. Haynes, Clyde; J. Bat Smathers, W. T. Sharp, Canton.

Fraternal Organizations.—T. L. Green, chairman, Mrs. Lena B. Palmer, vice chairman, Mrs. M. Silver, Mrs. J. W. Ferguson, Miss Margaret Stringfield, Harry Rotha, Waynesville; H. C. Sinclair, Clyde; D. J. Kerr, J. T. Bailey, Geo. B. Hampton, Canton.

Manufacturing Enterprises.—Chas. E. Quinlan, chairman, J. W. Reed, H. J. Sloan, Elbert Smith, Waynesville; R. L. Prevost, J. C. Fisher, Hazelwood; Dr. Sam L. Stringfield, Sunburst; Grover Smith, H. D. Secrest, Canton.

Banks, Stores and Railroads.—Alden Howell, Jr., chairman, Troy Whyte, M. T. McCracken, G. C. Platt, Waynesville; E. A. Wood, J. L. Morgan, Clyde; G. N. Henson, Geo. L. Hampton, Canton; R. L. Bryson, Sunburst; J. M. Long, Hazelwood.

Farms.—W. H. Ferguson, farm demonstration agent, chairman, B. P. Howell, R. 2, E. C. Clark, R. 4, Z. C. Davis, R. 2, M. D. Kinsland, R. 3, Waynesville; D. R. Noland, R. 1, Glenn C. Palmer, R. 1, Crabtree; Mrs. W. W. Shay, Cruso; A. J. McCracken, R. 1, Clyde; T. C. Wells, R. 2, Canton.

Publicity.—J. E. Carraway, chairman, Jesse D. Boone, Waynesville; H. N. Sentelle, Canton.

Speakers.—T. L. Green, chairman, J. R. Morgan, Waynesville; J. Batt Smathers, Canton.

Negroes.—Frank Lenoir, chairman, C. P. Patton, S. A. Copsey, Waynesville.

Notice

The first meeting of the National War Saving committee of Haywood county with the approval of the secretary of treasury and Fries, state director, will be held at the court house in Waynesville at 2 o'clock p. m., Saturday, February 2, 1918. It is of vital importance that every member of the executive and sub-committees attend this meeting to help organize and get busy with our work. Remember, that in this hour of our country's peril, there is but one road to safety and that is in supporting our president with every means that lies in our power and that there is but one route to lasting peace and that is in military victory. All other courses taken now are but a slap in the face of liberty, help autocracy the face of liberty. Help autocracy stand erect and aid that gorgon of rapine, murder, pestilence and famine, beneath whose gaze the human heart has turned to stone. Let us never forget the immortal words of Pershing, "La Fayette, we are here."

Dr. G. D. GREEN, Chm.,
J. F. BASS, Sec'y.

Taking apart one large cylinder press and shipping to a purchaser in Asheville, besides a number of smaller machines, and then moving another cylinder press from the old Mountaineer office to the present office and getting it to run properly proved just a little too much for our force recently. Besides that, our Linotype operator got an offer of work at higher wages in the government printing office in Washington, and left. O. B. Sterett, an operator on the Asheville Times, now comes over and runs our Linotype machine.

There are few inconveniences that do not have some compensations: A barrel of dishes shipped two months ago from our former home in Kansas to supplement what we now have has failed to come which causes the Missus much chagrin but brings joy to the Daughter because there are now so few dishes to wash. The only way we can entertain would be to ask the entertained to please bring plate and saucer with them. Later—Two neighbors have offered us dishes galions and brought some over.

Says Billy Sunday: Turn hell upside down and you will find "Made in Germany" stamped on the bottom of it.

IF YOU LIKE good coffee, come to our store and let us show you what we have. We lead in the sale of coffee in Waynesville. Miller Bros.

BUY A POUND of green coffee and have it roasted at home. We have it.—Miller Bros. (11-1)

SONGS WHICH WILL BE POPULAR

(By JESSE DANIEL BOONE)

"Oh! The Good Old Summertime"

Is the time we long to see;

'Twill cover up the awful crime

Of winter's lengthy spree.

"There is a Green Hill Far Away"

Which I should like to climb,

If e'er I see a summer day

To call forth summer rhyme.

"Where the Sweet Magnolias Bloom,"

Sounds so sweet and good to me,

That I fain would leave my room

To see one nice, green tree.

"When the Robins Nest Again"

And the sun shines bright and clear,

Then I'll leave my winter den

With no regret, without a fear.

"In the Lovely Month of May,"

When the bird songs are so sweet,

I will put my books away

And wander in the street.

"Come Where the Lillies Bloom"

Is a welcome, charming sound

To one shut in amid this gloom,

Who fears to walk on frozen ground.

"Where the Morning Glories Twine"

In the fields so fresh and sweet,

Where you meet the glad sunshine

And the friendly dew drops greet.

As for "Apple Blossom Time," my lad,

And all that it recalls,

The very picture makes me glad

While winter chafes and galls.

"Mother, May I Go Out to Swim?"

Makes the cold chills chase my spine;

It makes me shiver, makes me ailm,

In this cheerless room of mine.

"When the Springtime Comes, Gentle Annie,"

And the coal man has fastened up his door,

I will then quit feeling blue and canny

And be jolly as I was in days of yore.

SOY BEANS AND CORN.

Soy beans were selling in this state at an average price of \$2.75 per bushel on December 1. On January 1 the price was \$3.02. This is sufficient to show the trend of prices of this crop. It should be the aim of every farmer in the county to have some of this crop growing on his farm this year. Soys are no longer an experiment here. Ask your neighbor who has grown them. All tests on the Buncombe farm show that soys make better growth and more seed than peas. Mr. C. B. Williams, state agronomist, states that the crop in this state is being bought up by outsiders. Farmers in this state who want seed will have to pay increased prices later on. It will certainly pay farmers here to buy from growers within the state thus saving freight and middlemen charges. Farmers in this county are urged to buy at once, either through local dealers or direct from growers. This agent will assist any one here in locating seed of this crop.

Attention of the farmers is directed to the fact that the seed corn situation in this county is very unsatisfactory. This is a condition that demands serious attention. Plenty of farms in the county have no corn fit for seed and plenty more have very little. A poor stand means poor crops. A big per cent of the corn in the county will not germinate because of frost injury. Much that looks sound will not germinate and the farmer who waits until planting time without knowing that he has access to good seed is inviting crop failure. The big corn producing sections have no corn fit for seed this year, thus creating an unusual demand for seed corn. It is probable that there is enough good corn in the county to plant the crop if it is saved for that purpose. However, it is rapidly being used for other purposes. Farmers are urged to test the germination of their corn and if it is not good to make an effort to secure good corn at once. This agent will assist any one so desiring to test his corn. The lives of a lot of Haywood county men as well as the outcome of the war will depend on the amount of food that is produced throughout the United States this year. No good citizen can afford to take undue risk in crop failure. Get the children busy with a test box and let's test the corn on every farm in the county this year.

WM. H. FERGUSON,
County Agent.

FOR SALE—One good horse. Apply to Miller Bros. (11-1)

MUST NOT HOARD FLOUR

The county food administrator of Haywood county has been instructed by State Food Administrator Henry A. Page to take prompt and vigorous action to the end that all purchasers of excessive quantities of foodstuffs, particularly flour, in this county shall return their surplus above one barrel to the dealers without delay.

Mr. Page says: "The food situation generally, and the local situation in many North Carolina counties with regard to hoarding, demands immediate and vigorous action upon the part of the food administration. I am writing to request and urge:

1. "That you demand of each retailer in your county a complete list of consumers who have purchased flour in excess of one barrel during the past three months.

2. "That you immediately notify the purchasers whose names are submitted to you or whose names you can secure that they must return all flour in their possession in excess of one barrel to the dealers from whom they purchased, those dealers being required to take it back at the price they received for it.

3. "That you take every means within your command to remedy this situation just as promptly as possible.

4. "That you submit to us promptly for indictment and prosecution the names of any merchants who withhold information and any consumers who retain in their possession more than one barrel of flour after they have been given an opportunity to return it to dealers."

According to the above instructions all retail grocers in Haywood county are requested to send to Anna M. Glosser, the county food administrator, Waynesville R. D. 4, N. C., a complete list of consumers who have purchased flour in excess of one barrel during the last three months and who retain more than one barrel in their possession after this notification from Mr. Page.

FLOUR REGULATIONS STRICT

A telegram yesterday to Miss Glosser from State Food Administrator Page says:

"Notify all merchants through local papers that no exception can be made to the new food administration ruling forbidding sale of wheat flour except in combination with equal amount of other cereals including corn meal, hominy, grits, oatmeal, rice, barley flour, edible wheat shorts or middlings, corn flour, corn starch or soy bean flour.

W. T. BLAYLOCK DIES SUDDENLY

Cashier of the First National Bank Succumbs to Peritonitis After a Week's Illness—A Popular Man.

Waynesville has lost one of her most useful citizens and a most important position in the First National Bank is as yet unfilled, until a new cashier is chosen. Since that institution was organized and since it absorbed the Commercial bank Will Blaylock has been its popular cashier and now his familiar face will be greatly missed and no more will we hear his jovial greetings to customers of the bank.

After a week's illness, first caused by an injured finger which developed erysipelas and then peritonitis, Mr. Blaylock died at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon. He had the services here of Drs. Thos. Stringfield and J. R. McCracken besides Dr. Wilson, of this county, a relative. Three other physicians of Asheville were called in also, but it was found Monday that an operation would not save him. Mr. Blaylock was 48 years of age, was treasurer of the local Red Cross chapter, an active Mason and a very useful citizen. Some years ago he married Miss Marjorie Ferguson, daughter of the late W. B. Ferguson, and they lived in the large Ferguson home. He was administrator of the Ferguson estate which had not been completely wound up. He leaves a wife, one brother, Fred Blaylock, and two sisters, Miss Nannie Blaylock of Pigeon township, and Mrs. Chas. F. Osborne, of Clyde.

He was buried with Masonic honors by members of Waynesville and Sonoma lodges at Green Hill cemetery after a funeral service at the Methodist church conducted by his pastor, Rev. W. B. West, assisted by Rev. A. V. Joyner, of the Baptist church. A very large crowd attended the funeral and the floral tributes were many and beautiful, showing the popularity of the deceased and his heart-broken companion.

Those relatives from a distance who attended the funeral were Mrs. J. C. Orr of Tennessee, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Shuford of Hickory, Homer L. Ferguson of Newport News, Va., Mr. and Mrs. Chas. F. Osborne of Sunburst, Miss Nannie Blaylock and Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Blaylock of Woodrow, besides many friends and Masons from that neighborhood.

COUNCIL NATIONAL DEFENSE

There will be a most important meeting of the Woman's Committee, council of national defense, Thursday afternoon, February 7, at 3 o'clock. All chairmen and officers specially requested to be present.

Since last meeting the chairman has sent to Mrs. J. M. Gudger, Jr., district chairman, a report of all patriotic work done by Haywood county women in the council and in the affiliated organizations. Excellent reports were sent in by the Red Cross, Navy League, Woman's Club, U. D. C. and Baptist W. M. U. When it was all condensed into one report it made a very fine showing for our women.

To date about 600 women have registered in the county. The ages run from 16 to 77. The various activities registered make interesting reading. All these women responded to the request for registration without personal appeal. If there are others who wish to place their names on this honor roll they may do so at the library during library hours. The local committee, however, can not say how long this privilege will last.

J. E. Carraway Champion Speller

At the spelling match last Friday evening pulled off by Manager Glen Miller, of the Waynesville, for the benefit of local hospital, J. E. Carraway and J. M. Mock were the champions. There were a dozen spellers on each side and words from Webster's old blue back speller were shot to the spellers as from a French gun by Prof. E. J. Robeson, superintendent of the graded school.

Both sides did good spelling but the champions were the last ones left standing and J. E. Carraway won when his opponent went down on the word "scurrilous," spelling it with only one "r." Mr. Carraway has generously agreed to divide his five dollars won equally between the hospital and the Red Cross.

MRS. CAMPBELL HOSTESS

Last Friday evening Misses Leslie and Smith and Mrs. W. C. Campbell entertained with a reception at the latter's home in honor of the high school senior class. The whole lower floor was thrown into one. The color scheme, lavender and white, prevailed.

The hostesses, with the class officers, received the guests at the door. Miss Smith looked stunning in a handsome gown of black velvet and Georgette crepe, while Miss Leslie looked adorable in a sweet creation of rose. Mrs. Campbell was handsomely gowned in white crepe de chine.

Appropriate prizes were won by Miss Sara Thomas and Howard Leatherwood.

At the close of the evening a delightful ice course was served.

The invited guests were Sara Thomas, Josephyn McDowell, Anna Ray, S. A. Jones, Lillian Green, Jacques McCracken, Elizabeth Reeves, Frances Harris, Irene Howell, Virginia Matney, Maria Crymes, Mary Frazier, Mildred Crawford, Elizabeth Grahl, Ada Grahl, Ruth Jones, Mary Shelton, Helen Marshall, Nora Turbyfill, Josephine Bramlett, Fredericka Dobyns; Messrs. James W. Ferguson, William Hannah, Eugene Alley, Wilford Ray, Howard Leatherwood, Clement Fitzgerald, Paul Hyatt, Wiley Franklin, Homer Owen, Clarence Mason, Hearst Burgin, Henry West, Eugene Brown, Wayne Grahl, James Noland, Lauriston Hardin, Robert Osborne.

Union Sunday Night Services

Arrangements have been made beginning next Sunday night and continuing for the remaining winter season to hold a union service. This is done in accordance with the recommendation of the fuel administration and for patriotic reasons. A similar arrangement has been entered into by nearly all the churches both in the cities and towns north and south. Thereby a large saving of coal has been effected.

It is hoped that all the churches in Waynesville can enter into this arrangement with zeal and interest and that great good may come to all our people from these union services, a larger spirit of co-operation and unity among all christians effected. The first service will be held in the Presbyterian church at 7:30 o'clock Sunday evening with a sermon by Rev. W. B. West, pastor of the Methodist church. All the people are cordially invited.

SOME RELIEF TO RETAIL MERCHANTS

Mr. Henry A. Page, state food administrator, has asked that the following notice be made public.

"Where merchants can show that their flour cost them \$11.75 per barrel delivered, county food administrators have authority to grant them exceptions from the ruling that \$12.50 must be the maximum price at retail sale, to the extent of allowing them to secure their customary profit up to \$1 per barrel.

In a few instances retailers have shown that their sugar has cost them around nine and one-half cents a pound. In such cases exceptions to individual merchants will be granted so as to allow them their customary profit up to one cent a pound."

ANNA M. GLOSSER,
Co. Food Administrator.

HOSPITAL NOTES

The Waynesville Hospital committee and Mrs. Hubbard, the efficient and capable nurse and superintendent, have made about \$103 for the hospital this winter. Mrs. Hubbard's work and love for the institution speaks for itself.

The Hospital committee wants to thank Captain Hannah and Mr. Geo. Ward for their help in getting money from Mr. Sutphen that belonged to the hospital. These two gentlemen gave their time and legal work free and the hospital and Haywood county thank them.

—Contributed.

An Asheville advertiser hands his ad with this announcement—"The World War is On." Seems as though we have heard something to that effect lately.