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#### THRIFT STAMP MEETING

Executive Committee getting ready for Washington's Birthday.

Thrift Stamp campaign held an ea-million dollars has already been ap-thusiastic meeting at the Court House propriated and 30 million dollars ac-Tuesday afternoon. Every member tually expended. Part of the fund was present except two and these were subscribed has been returned to unavoidably absent. Canton and Lake chapters for purchase of material, Junaluska had representatives at the leaving about 88 million dollars meeting.

Various plans were discussed with eference to projecting the campaign in this county. There will be a State May to an estimated total of 22,000,- Is one to be much dreaded, Institute held at Raleigh on the 12th 000,000 today, while in the same perin this county. There will be a State and 18th which will outline a uniform jod the number of shapters has in plan of campaign throughout the state.
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The Red Cross is working through opinstitute the heaft of expect information and county Demonstrator W. H. Fermania. guson will both attend this institu and will make a report to the Execu-tive Committee immediately upon their

It was decided at the Tuesday meet. ing to hold a patriotic rally at Waynesville, Canton and Clyde on the camps to learn the soldier's life. Washington's Birthday, when the big Shortly they will represent us on the drive to sell Thrift Stamps and War firing line, and others will be called Savings Stamps will be formally to service in their places.

stamps is \$600,000. Let all our people get together for a long pull, a strong pull and a pull altogether, and ing. the stamps wil be sold. Each stamp represents a loan to the Government, not a gift. If our allotment is taken it means that \$600,000, will come back to Haywood County in 1923.

#### A CAUTION TO THE PUBLIC

Mr. H. Classen, a German resident of our town has received a threaten-ing anenymous letter and the matter has been called to my attention. I hope that no one who calls himself an American citizen would try to injure a German resident and his family Secause we are at war with Germany That would be as bad as what we are accusing the Germans of doing. If any one feels such hatred toward Ger. sany that he must needs fight there is room in the trenches. Mr. Classen says he wishes to abide in peace in him a magazine or a good book ocour quiet town where there are no casionally. bothering. If he does something that he should not do we sould report the Be strong enough and unselfish

sport trade and that he is now g to do some business here in ng to South America. He has ers of commendation from many banks in London and elsewhere. The iness of his company is under the daion of our government and all foreign mail is censored; some its are under license from the rument, as I am informed.

M. Davis, a Confederate veteran of e, N. C. and she has a brother w a Lieut, in the United States

Let us not permit any feeling to get the better of our judgment. J. R. MORGAN. Police Justice

## He Didn't Need a Sheriff

eriff Moore took Geo. Kirkland to state penitentiary last week to 1812. the shooting and was out on a bond waiting a decision from apprene Court, which confirmed scision of the Macon Superior was such as to prevent

# RATSED \$106,000,000

Community of alue of Paras

The Red Cross drive last summe to start the big drive. Rally planned for a fund of one hundred million r Washington's Birthday.

The Executive Committee of the lion and of this amount about 75 propriated and 80 million dollars ac-

which the headquarters may use. The Red Cross' membership has in creased from less than 500,000 last

#### DON'T FORGET THE SOLDIERS IN THE CAMPS

From every nook and corner in the state our young men have gone to

While they are training, what can Haywood County's pro rata of the the home folks do to help them? state's apportionment of the War These men are offering their lives for us. All that we can do for them will not equal the sacrifices they are mak-

> After talking with hundreds of them in the camps, I want to offer three practical suggestions to the people at home as to what they may do. Every person who reads this statement can easily, and should, gladly, do all of them.

First, send your home paper to at least one soldier at the camp. Pick out one of the men you know and subscribe for your home paper and send it to him. Any member of his family will give you his correct ad- The man who smiles and whistles dress. Write him a letter and tell him you are sending it. The cost will be trifling. The thought will be appreciated. It is not an act of char-ity, but an act of patriotic service.

Second, at least once a week, make it a point to write a letter or a card to some soldier at the camp. Send

The soldier has enough of his own. he should not do we sould report the matter to proper authorities and have him investigated and not resort to some other method.

Mr. Classen says that prior to the war he lived in London and was considered in London an portunity to look after your troubles than he has to help you?

Follow these practical suggestions and you will render a service worth while.

W. S. WILSON.

Defense. Raleigh, Jan. 31, 1918.

THE ENORMOUS COST OF

THE WAR TO THE U. S

Appropriations by congress during the last and present sessions will appreximate \$35,000,000,000, or \$9,00,-000,000 more than the \$26,000,000,000 up to March, 1917, covering all expenses of the government, including the costs of the Civil, Mexican, Spanish-American wars and the war of

In other words, these two co se will have appropriated \$9,000,000, 000 more than was appropriated in the whole 128 years of the nation's nce into the world war.-Ex-

# U. D. C. MEETING FRIDAY

The United Daughters of the Confederacy will meet at the home of

ed to the Fergus

#### THE MAN WHO SMILES AND WHISTLES.

(By Jessie Daniel Boone) The man who smiles and whistles When he goes to pay a bill, Like good wheat at the mill. The man who smiles and whistles When things are going wrong, Is like the rock Gibraltar

Among the human throng The man who smiles and whistles When a fellow wants to fight, He would put most men to flight.

The man who smiles and whistles When he's almost down and out Will rise from all his troubles, Without a single doubt.

The man who smiles and whistles Is a fellow you may trust; He will not take advantage If it causes him to "bust"

The man who smiles and whistles When the weather isn't right, Knows clouds have silver linings, That things will work out right.

The man who smiles and whistles Is just the sort of friend To help you in your troubles; On him you may depend.

The man who smiles and whistles When the critics all turn loose On the war administration. Has a ready, good excuse.

The man who smiles and whistles When his party meets defeat, Is the one who will be active, When again the voters meet.

The man who smiles and whistles When the tax collector comes, Is worth a thousand loafers, Is worth a thousand bums.

The man who smiles and whistles When he hears the war drums beat Will volunteer, instanter, And never knows defeat.

When asked to Hooverize, Will eat his bran and sawdust, For he is good and wise.

The man who smiles and whistles When the Red Cross needs his aid, Will give the last round dollar That he has ever mad.e

The man who smiles and whistles Will buy a bond, or stamp To help dispel the darkness And light the world's big lamp,

# PRESENTED SEVICE FLAG.

The Presbyterian Sunday school rendered an impressive program Sun-day morning during the church hour when they presented to the church a Service Flag on which was a star for each soldier from that Sunday school.

The presentation speech was mad by Bryson Walpole in an excellent speech eloquently delivered. A speech Secretary North Carolina Council of of acceptance was made by Supt. Lind-

> A tablet costaining names of the oldiers from this Sunday school was also presented. The names are: William F. Swift, Walter D. Brown, Julius A. Brown, Carroll L. Grahl, Geo. M. Albright, Wm. F. Albright, Henry F. McFadyen, Harry O. Schenck.

The Christian Flag was presented to the school in a presentation speech by Grace Albright. These two flags appropriated by congress from by Grace Albright. These two flags George Washington's administration with the United States flag were left on the platform. There were other exercices as well, all making a very fine service which should have had a crowded house.

## BRANNER GILMER LANDS JOB

Yesterday's press dispatches from Washington announced the following history up to the time of America's appointment of a popular young attorney here which will be pleasing to his many friends:

"Branner Gilmer of Waynesville and a son of the former Attorney General Robert D. Gilmer, or North Carolina the United States department of jus-tice. His duties will be a field and he will probably be assigned to New Creek Saturday. York city as hendquarters. Mr. Gil-mer who is a lawyer of Waynesville will work under A. Bruce Vielaski, chief of the division of investigations.

## OF INTEREST TO PRINTERS

#### DOG KILLED A \$100 EWE

Mr. Editor. .- Will you give me a little more space in your paper as I am anxious that the dog question is kept before our people, I see Buncombe county is very much interested as the farmers from different parts of the county are writing and expressing themselves in regard to the sheep industry. I was impressed very much with the Pennsylvania dog law printed in the Citizen a few weeks ago and I think we should have just that kind of a law for this state.

I dont believe our farmers have stop. ped to figure how much the dogs cost us. I will give you some statistics here in Crabtree township alore. Our list taker says that he listed 200 dogs in our township last year and he did not get all of them. Now brother meal to feed a dog one day. That northern Ireland. meals 365 quarts or 12 bushels of corn a year to feed a dog. Count corn at \$1.50 per bushel and that means \$18 in cash. That will cost \$360 for just the dogs in our township alone, How

have no patience with the fellow who seems to think more of his dogs than anything else. Since I wrote my last letter to your paper four worthless dogs broke into my flock of sheep and killed one of my fine ewes and crippled two more. The ewe was worth \$100. Do you blame me for being against the worthless dogs? We would like to hear from the farmers from different parts of the courty. Tell us what you think-whether it is to be sheep or dogs. Let us make up to our nation's great need Our soldiers must be fed as well as clothed.

Yours for the golden hoof and a law that will eliminate the vorthless dogs. A. C. WALKER.

## ROCK SPRINGS ITEMS.

The farmers in this section are badly behind with their work as the weather has been so severe. We have done very little farm work so far, but our weather prophet, Will Ducket, says we can safely go to work now for winter is over, because he was on old Bald mountain Saturday the 2nd and saw all the groundhogs come

The Community Fair Association met recently and elected officers for this year as follows: F. A. Justice, president: J. F. Rogers, vice-president Miss Juanita Medford, secretary, Managers were chosen as follows; Horses, Walker; Poultry, F. W. Messer; Horiculture, Relins Liner; Cattle, P. Y. McCracken: Farm Produce, Boone Rogers; Garden Products, Mrs. O. O. Sanford; Pantry Supplies and Fancy Work, Lizzie Rogers, Blanche Sanford and Ruth Walker; Sports, Robert Rogers and H. W. Carver. We mean to make our fair worth while this fall,

Charles McCracken of Big Branch was a visitor at A. C. Walker's Sun-

James Bryson attended court this week at Waynesville.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Thomasson and little daughter of Memphis, Tenn. are visiting Mrs. Thomasson's parents. Mr.

and Mrs. J. J. Carver. Robert Wright who has been quite ill is improving.

We are very sad as we record the death of Uncle Jack Justice, one of our oldest and most highly respected citizens. He was a christian man and a patriot and greatly loved his church and country. He was always at service and Sunday school when his health would permit, '

Mr. Arthur Springs and family of White Oak have bought a farm and moved to Rock Springs.

James and Claud Medford have was today appointed to a position in bought a farm on Bull Creek from Seymour Messer went to Spring

> Robert Rogers and John Griffin went to Canton last week to dispose of

## THE M'CRACKEN FAMILY

#### Introductory

Some years ago I made an effort to get up the genealogy of my grandfather Hiram McCracken's family, and since I have thought of going further back and gathering other facts respecting the McCracken family at large.

Of course it is not my purpose to write a history of this family, but merely to set forth a kind of outline.

I have made many inquiries re-specting the origin of this family and am convinced beyond all doubt that we are of Scottish origin, coming from that sturdy race whose influence is seen and felt in all the four quarters of the globe. Also I am con-vinced that all of the McCrackens in America came from the same family, of which many of our name are found farmers, it will take one quart of even to this day in Scotland and

> Doctor Henry McCracken, dean of the University of New York, who has tionary war. This David no doubt himself traveled in Scotland, states was a son of one of these brothers in a letter to me:

> "I am interested in learning any Scotland many well-informed people say the name belongs to the region of Dumfries and southwest Scotland. I have myself found many old stones in Dumfries cemetery bearing the name of McCracken.

frontist and, it seems, was killed in battle near Cumberiand, Pa. His can gather from them they are the son, Henry McCracken, whose name descendants of David McCracken. son, Henry McCracken, whose name I bear, was killed fighting the British and Indians in the war of the Revolution about the date of the Wyoming massicre. I have a copy of the pension given his widow. Her report as his administratrix is recorded in the interesting history of this grand old man and his family. he held property. My grandfather (his son) became a pioneer in Ohio about 1800. My father was born there in 1804 and was a United Presbyterian preacher in Ohio until his

death, and also a land owner. You see that I have bue few facts as to my first two American ances tors.

There is a probability that your anin that great migration of Scotch and tell, whether he wants to or not. Scotch-Irish from about 1700 until the Revolutionary war, who were largely C. L. Hill; Hogs and Sheep, A. C. drawn to Amerca by the blundering selfishness of the British government in London which never knew how to assimilate Welsh or Scotch or Irish reformed."

ing genealogies.

in old Scotland, a land that has pro-Scotchman has gone. A people, too, love or to fury. Yes, a people who of Form 1,099. have borne both the banner of the Christ and the banner of democracy and through tears, patience and persecution, have planted them securely wherever they have trodden

I have not been able to find the given name of our first American parent, but I believe David, the father of great grandfather Joseph, was son of our first American parent. As to the date of our first parent's brothers of our name who were mill-wrights by trade came to this coun-try, landing at Charleston, S. C. The st night from her son Joe Howell landing they want to an intermediate ing they went to an inn where ment with Sher were served with an ash cake the 1917 taxa. hoffey, saying he had arrived at they were served with an ash cake the 1917 taxs. This was about the seaport in France, had enjoyed made of yellow corn meal. Thinking the item of interest to the party across and was well and it to be a cake one of them took of besides some releases on tax way.

his taste hid is under his plate, and after leaving the table remarked to the others that the cake was made out of sawdust.

It is said that these brothers in order to find mill work separated in Charlestown, one going into North Carolina, settling in what is now Ran-dolph county, one going into Georgia settling in the southern part of the state, and the other coming up into South Carolina settling in the Pied-

mont section.
Since there are families of our name in all three of these states and since the McCracken families of these states trace their first parents back to the same period is in itself primafacia evidence that the McCrackens in Georgia and the two Carolinas are the desceptiants of these brothers who landed in Charlestown, S. C., and who mistook the ash cake for a real cake. Our grandfather, Joseph, came to North Carolina from Georgia. His father's name was David, who, we are told, was a soldier in the Revolu-

who landed in Charlestown. Some say that this David migrated facts respecting the McCrackens of from Georgia into middle Tennessee, does that look to you? Take the corn that you feed to dogs and feed to a pig and at the end of a year you will have a porker that will bring you from \$30 which led people to call the man who lived near by Mac-Crag, the son of the 'crag or rock' which has been turned into MacCracken. But in Section of the house and stationing himself where the could see what was gone in the saw as soldier. It is said that on one dark night his house was raided by a band of British and Tory soldiers, escaping the McCracken. But in Section of the house and stationing himself where he could see what was gone in the sam was gone in the sam

Our own records do not certainly prove whether the first of our line in America came from that region or

north Ireland.

My forefather settled near Carlisle, to where he lived, whether in Georgia or Tennessee, I am not sure. Any McCracken, is on the list of taxpayers and even as an office holder in came to Haywood county from Hab-Cumberland county, Pa. Also after the misersble failure of the British army under General Braddock, he enlisted as a volunteer to defend the McCrackens in Hebersham and other

In my next letter I shall endeavor In my next setter I small endeavor to give you a sketch of my great grandfather, Joseph, the first of our line whose genealogy we know for certain. I also hepe to give you some

Yours truly, A. H. M'CRACKEN. Spartamburg, S. C., Jan. 12, 1918.

## LIST YOUR INCOME TAX '

Statesville, N. C., Jan. 29.-Some body is going to tell on you if you don't pay your income tax. Congress cestors may have crossed the Atlantic has fixed it so that somebody must

One section of the War Income Tax Law, exhaustively comprehensive in scope, requires every person, without exception, and every corporation, partnership, association, and insurwith the stronger English element ance company, in whatever capacity and which still needs greatly to be acting, who paid \$800 or more to another person, corporation, partnership, So says Dr. Henry McCracken of his association, or insurance company, as forefathers. It seems that the Mc- interest, rent, salaries, wages, pre-Cracken family is not much in keep- miums, annuities, compensation, remuneration, emoluments, or other But in comparing the facts given fixed or determinable gains, profits, me by Dr. Henry McCracken with the and income, to report the name and facts I have from the others of our and income, to report the name and name, I find touches that give me address of the person, corporation, reason to believe that the first Mc- etc., to whom the payment was made, Cracken who came to these shores together with the amount of the paydrew others of his clan with him, ment, to the Commissioner of Interand that we are all a chip from the nal Revenue at Washington, using a same Mac-Crag who lived long ago form prescribed for the purpose-Form 1,099, now to be had from all duced a people of courage and pa-triotism, and whose faith in God has filled out and returned on or before been seen and felt wherever the March 1, 1918, accompanied by Form who are ardent and impetuous, eas- 1,096, which is a letter of transmittal ily moved to tears or to laughter, to and affidavit certifying the accuracy

> If any firm, corporation, insurance company, partnership, or individual, who are due to make returns have failed to receive the forms, application should be made at once to the collector's office to the nearest collector.

# COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

migration I do not know, but there is a tradition told by many of our ers which includes Chairman W. H. me that sometime in the beginning Henderson, John Allen and W. F. Mcthe seventeenth century three Crary met Monday and Tuesday in regular monthly sess

It was ordered that the board m ment with Sheriff John R. Hipps