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## WAR RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Roll Call Commenced at 2:30 This Morning After Lengthy Debate.

Washington, April 6th.—The resolution declaring that a state of war exists between the United States and Germany, already passed by the Senate, passed the House of Representatives at 3 o'clock this morning by a vote of 373 to 50.

## FOOD CROPS TO BE SOLD AT HANDSOME PRICES.

Atlanta, Ga., April 4th.—That every Southern farmer who grows a food crop this year will be able to dispose of it at handsome prices either in its original shape or as live stock was the unanimous opinion of the fifty experts of the Development Service of the Southern Railway System and affiliated lines who met in Atlanta to discuss plans for farm marketing, immigration, and the agricultural and industrial development of the South.

The market and farm products agents are aiding the movement for increased production of food crops in the South by their efforts to put growers in touch with dealers and consumers desiring their products and have been so successful that demand for products of Southern farms has greatly exceeded the supply.

While live stock growing is being advocated earnestly, farmers are urged to provide food crops before buying live stock. Any farmer in the territory served by the Southern Railway System or affiliated lines who desires aid in disposing of any crop will be given all possible assistance if he will communicate with the farm products agent located in his section or with Roland Turner, chief farm products agent, Atlanta, Ga.

## "OVERHILLS" HAS CHANGED HANDS

Reported Sale Confirmed. Great Resort Project is Abandoned.

Durham, Mar. 30.—The project of developing a \$500,000 hotel and winter resort at "Overhills," fourteen miles west of Fayetteville, has been abandoned. B. N. Duke, millionaire tobacco manufacturer, stated tonight that the development scheme had fallen through inasmuch as the active promoters had not raised the fund determined on in May 1916.

The resort was to have been financed by B. N. Duke and George W. Watts, of Durham; Walter H. Marshall, manager of the Vanderbilt Hotel of New York; former Sheriff James F. Jordan, of Guilford county, and Congressman William Kent, of California. Mr. Duke stated that the goal set in donations was not reached, and consequently he would no longer finance the project.

A confirmation was made of the story in today's News and Observer that the property had been purchased by Percy Rockefeller and W. A. Hariman.

The acreage is about 40,000 and the purchase approximately \$600,000. Mr. Duke learned of the deal in New York City. The Rockefeller-Hariman interests are to use the territory for club purposes and as hunting preserve.

The idea of the original promoters was to erect a \$250,000 hotel and expend an additional quarter of a million dollars in developing the surrounding property. Architects has already drawn up plans for an interview at that time, Mr. Duke pronounced the location "as the greatest place for a winter resort in America."—S. R. Winters in News and Observer.

## DUNN LOSES BOTH ENDS OF TRIANGULAR DEBATES IN SPIRITED CONTESTS.

Whether the Federal Government should own the railroads or not is not fully decided by the debaters of the Dunn High school for on Friday night, last, both the affirmative and the negative of this school failed to prove that their side was the proper one. "In the city Mr. Norwood Pope and Miss Beulah Temple waged a spirited battle against Mr. Raeford Thomas and Mr. Lindsey Perry of Jonesboro, and put up a good argument, but the more experienced artists from Jonesboro won the big end of the decision. Down in Lillington Julius Wade and Miss Whyima Naylor argued for the negative against Lillington representatives and after an hour of hard work the judges finally decided that the debate had ended 2-1 in favor of Lillington. In Dunn the debaters were received by the junior class in a gay, informal reception, at the Woman's Club rooms that all enjoyed to the greatest extent.

The White sale to be given by the Ladies of the Christian church will take place next Wednesday instead of Thursday as previously stated, in the Woman's Club building.

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG MEN

Southern Railway Company Wants to Equip Men for Responsible Positions in Service.

Atlanta, Ga., April 4th.—Opportunity for ambitious young business men, university graduates preferred, to secure training which will fit them for responsible positions in the Freight Traffic Department of the Southern Railway System is offered through the apprentice squad which the Southern has organized in its general freight office at Atlanta. The squad is now composed of eleven young men and, as it will be kept up to this number, openings for new members will develop as present members are promoted to other positions.

Authorities of leading Southern universities have been asked to recommend deserving young graduates who may be listed for places on this squad but applications of young men who have only completed high school courses but are otherwise acceptable also will be given consideration.

At the start members of the squad are paid \$40.00 per month. After six months' service the pay of those whose progress has been satisfactory will be advanced to \$50.00 per month. After that promotion will come to them as they make themselves capable of filling vacancies occurring in positions ahead of them, all such promotions being made on the basis of demonstrated fitness and ability.

## AMERICA'S ENTRY OF HIGHEST IMPORTANCE

Viscount Bryce Gives Views on This Country Fighting With the Allies

London, April 4.—Replying to the question of the Associated Press as to what difference America's entrance in the war would make to Europe now and hereafter, Viscount Bryce, the former British ambassador at Washington said today:

"I would say that it will be of the highest importance in three ways. Firstly, it must bring the war to a speedier close, not only by the material aid, in money and men and in supply of food to the allied countries, America can render, but also by the moral effect her participation will produce on the German people and the German armies. They now will see that success has for them become impossible. Demoralization must increase and resistance weaken.

"Secondly, America comes in from no selfish motives, but as the champion of international justice and humanity outraged by the German methods of conducting the war. She stands by the allies in their effort to vindicate human rights, the respect for which the success of Germany would give a fatal blow.

"Thirdly, the world has for nearly a century and a half known and admired America as a country which has preeminently loved and prized freedom and given sympathy to all who strove for it. She now is rendering help of incalculable value to the cause of freedom.

"President Wilson in his lofty and impressive address worthy of the occasion that called it forth has rightly dwelt on the fact that it is the German government, rather than the German people that is responsible for the series of crimes committed on land and sea during this war. The German people hitherto fed by their government upon lies, now will begin to realize that it is the military estate which dominates them that has by its ruthless savagery roused against Germany the horror and indignation of the new as well as the old world. We now may hope that they will shake off the yoke and bring themselves, as the Russian people have done, into the fellowship of those free nations whose governments would not dare to perpetrate such crimes.

"Never has a better blow been struck for democratic freedom than that which America is now dealing to the last of despotisms that remains in Europe."

A. J. McKinnon Will Get Place as Land Appraiser.

Washington Cor. March 27, Greensboro Daily News.

Those in touch with the Federal Farm Loan board say that it has been decided to name A. J. McKinnon of Maxton, as one of the land appraisers and Morris McDonald of Charlotte to be given the other. Joseph F. Taylor of Washington, N. C., the clerk of the finance committee was a candidate for the place which is now offered to McKinnon. It is the understanding that McKinnon will accept the place. The officials here consider him most competent to fill the place.

Messrs. Hiram Baggett and B. P. Gentry were business visitors in the city Wednesday.

## MANY ATTEND COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES IN FAYETTEVILLE

Prizes Awarded to Schools in Cumberland Contests.

Fayetteville, N. C., April 4.—An audience which packed the LaFayette theatre last night rose to its feet and cheered for several minutes when a chorus from the Wade school sang "The Star Spangled Banner" in the choral contest in connection with the county commencement, while a handsome young woman, up stage representing Columbia, waved the Stars and Stripes.

The choral contest was won by the Godwin school. The Stedman received second prize, Wade getting mention.

The recitation contest for primary pupils was won by Little Miss Louise Lynch, eight years old, of Godwin, who made quite a hit with the audience. The high school recitation prize went to Miss Pearl Adams, of Linden. The high school declamation contest was won by R. Willford, of Eastover. Thos. Bennett of Glendale, was the best of the elementary pupils in this class. Miss Annie Melvin, of the Linden school, won first prize for piano solo.

## DUNN HIGHS MEET DEFEAT.

Defeated by Smithfield Tuesday in Class Game, 2-1

The Dunn Highs were defeated in the second game of the season last Tuesday when they played the Smithfield High School Ball club on the latter's ground. From the very beginning it was a pitcher's duel between Beasley for Smithfield and Wilson for the Green and White machine. Beasley received all the breaks and close decisions and helped to win his own game by getting two of the three hits that "Gitzy" of the locals allowed.

Beasley let only two of the local men touch him for safeties, those two coming in sharp succession from the bats of Sutton and Wilson, earning the one run that Dunn made. Smithfield's first run came when Beasley tripped and Wallace running the base for him stole home while the catcher was adjusting his mask. The play was quick but not good. "Gitzy" the ball to the unattended, left-field receiver, who caught the ball naked handed and tagged Wallace as the latter slid under him. The play was close and appeared to all Dunn rooters to be a sure "Out". Smithfield's other run was made on a wild throw home.

Both sides threatened to score often but airtight pitching delivered both teams through with men on bases. Sutton for the Dunn nine stole third in the latter part of the game with only one man down and Wallace receiving the ball tagged him and dropped the sphere which rolled off the line. The play was certain but Mr. Umpire pulled through with a weak "I did not see it." The miscue on the part of the Ump may not have been intentional but it served to incite wrath in such a tight game when runs were needed so badly. Directly after the play the catcher for the Johnson County boys missed two wild throws and if the Umpire had seen what both teams admitted they saw then the old score would have been tied and there might have been another tale to tell. Once with a man on third and one out "Gitzy" pulled through with those slow signals which made 'em bite, but bite in vain.

THE SCORE:

Dunn	0	10	0	0	0	1	2	3
Smithfield	0	0	1	0	0	2	3	3

## HER FIRST RED FEATHER

"Kinkaid, Gambler," a five reel photoplay which appears at the White Way theatre on Monday night, is the first Red Feather play that Ruth Stonehouse has as yet appeared in. Miss Stonehouse first became connected with the Universal Film Company last spring and after a long illness at last made her first appearance in the Bluebird photoplay "Love Never Dies," playing opposite Franklyn Farnum, the youngest of the famous Farnum brothers. Now she will be seen for the first time on the Red Feather program in a play that gives her one of the finest parts of her career.

In "Kinkaid, Gambler," Miss Stonehouse has the part of a young girl who when forced to earn her own living chooses the profession of a detective. She is successful in a number of cases and then is placed on a case to get a notorious gambler back to the States where he is wanted for a robbery. She succeeds in her mission but in the end she falls in love with the criminal that she is sent to capture. There is a struggle between love and duty but at last she decides that she has to capture him. But when she has handed him over to the authorities she has misgivings and knowledge that this crime was morally justifiable she rescues him and they live happily ever afterward.

ANNOUNCEMENT

I hereby announce myself a candidate for mayor to succeed myself, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

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## RESTHAVEN CLUB TO ENTER TAIN

The Resthaven Club will be at home to the S. O. D. H. Club, Friday evening, April 6th, 1917 9 to 12 o'clock.

Mr. Robert Lee of Winston-Salem, was here for a few days this week on business. Mr. Lee was a citizen of Dunn for a number of years and is remembered here by a number of our people. His friends will be glad to learn that he is making good in his adopted city.

## CITIZENS MEETING

A mass meeting of the citizens of the town of Dunn is hereby called to meet in the Opera House, Monday evening, April 9th at eight-thirty o'clock, for the purpose of devising ways and means for the improvement of the moral and sanitary conditions of our town and for the better enforcement of Law.

This is a non-partisan, non-sectarian meeting and every citizen is invited and urged to be present.

H. S. Freeman  
J. W. Purdie  
J. P. Pittman.

## MAYOR TURNAGE'S PROCLAMATION

It has become a custom in these latter years to set apart certain days and weeks in the cities and towns of our State to be known as "Clean-Up Weeks." The custom is a good one and should appeal to every citizen. These Clean-Up days and weeks go far toward making for the community better health by removing the causes rather than battling with the disease. Therefore I issue this proclamation, calling upon every citizen in Dunn to join in an effort to clean up Dunn during the week beginning April 16th.

I do hereby set apart this week as "Clean-Up-Week" for the town of Dunn and call upon every man, woman and child to give aid in whatever way they can to make it a success.

Very truly,  
J. W. TURNAGE, Mayor.

Summer School at West Raleigh Promises Much to Teachers

The preliminary announcement of the six weeks' summer school to be held at the North Carolina State College of Agriculture and Engineering during the coming summer promises much to the teachers who will further training in the subjects taught in the primary, grammar, and high schools of the State. The courses have been arranged so as to cover all subjects from grade 1 to grade 11, and will therefore be connected with any department of work in these schools. Director Withers and his associates have been very busy during the past week in getting this announcement before the teachers, in order that they might see just what the school does offer.

Besides the teachers, others who might want professional courses in education or other lines of work will find that their wants will be carefully looked after by a competent faculty. Cultural subjects and course looking to a better preparation of candidates who expect to enter college have also been arranged for, and a copy of the catalogue will shortly be ready for mailing to those who are interested.—Extension Farm News.

## COATS GRADED SCHOOL NEWS

On Friday afternoon March 30th 1917, The Fenny Social Literary Society held its regular meeting. The following program was given and enjoyed by all present.

Song—Society  
Recitation—Ellis Grimes  
Composition—Glenn Johnson  
Reading—Edna Beasley  
Recitation—Minnie Turlington  
Questions—Beatrice Coats  
Answers—Meta Stewart  
Jokes—Pearl Turlington  
Music—Ethel Coats  
Recitation—Myrtle Stewart  
Duet—Laura Parrish and Ira Stewart.

Then we elected Marshals for Commencement, Miss Annie Keen was elected Chief Marshal, Misses Beatrice Coats and Maude Turlington. We were sorry that one of our members, Miss Gladys Stewart was sick and could not be with us. She was taken to the hospital in Duke Monday the 26 and had her tonsils taken out. She was brought home Tuesday and is improving very fast. We hope to have her with us again soon.

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## NEW ARMY TO BE RAISED BY MEANS OF CONSCRIPTION

Detailed Scheme For Registration of Eligibles Already Worked Out.

Washington, April 3.—Administration plans for raising an army on the principle of universal liability to service, to be submitted to Congress as soon as the pending war resolution is adopted, are based on selective conscription of young men to be summoned to the colors as rapidly as they can be trained and officered. A detailed scheme for the registration of eligibles has been worked out.

After married men, others with dependents and those whose service is required in industries have been exempted, others within the age limits fixed will be examined physically and those found fit will be selected, possibly by lot until the first 500,000 to be trained are secured. It was made clear today that 500,000 is nowhere near the limit needed, and it is expected that more than 500,000 available will be found in the first classifications. Others will be trained as rapidly as possible by officers from the regular army, national guard and officers' reserve corps.

Maximum and minimum age limits for the first call are fixed in the administration plan, but will not be made public until it is presented to Congress. In recent discussions a minimum of 18 years and a maximum of 23 years have been mentioned.

## HABITS AND GERMS

Habit a Greater Cause of Death Than Germs. Only 2 Percent Die of Old Age.

That habits, bad habits of course, cause more deaths than germs is the statement made today by the State Board of Health in its latest bulletin. A study of the causes of death in a number of states, says the bulletin, has shown that about 50 percent of all deaths are due to diseases caused by bad habits, that about 40 percent are due to infection or germs, and that the remaining 10 percent are due to miscellaneous causes, accidents, old age, etc. As to old age, Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, it was found that only 2 percent died of this disease or rather met a respectable death.

Probably the most important diseases and the faulty living habits causing them are diseases of the kidneys, heart and blood vessels due to excessive eating and drinking, particularly the eating of meat, constipation, the abuse of tobacco, and the lack of exercise; diseases of the nervous system due largely to the habit of worrying, nagging, poor sleeping and probably the drug habit; then there are the diseases of the digestive system which are due largely to faulty personal hygiene, perhaps of fresh air and exercise as well as rest and recreation.

While the breaking of old habits and the making of new ones, suggests the bulletin, is the only remedy for this condition, there must be created a more general regard for the health effects of proper personal hygiene. Health is largely a personal matter. It is coming to rest more and more with the individual as to whether he lives a long life and a healthy one or a short life and a sickly one. Not heredity, climate or economic conditions but the cultivation of proper living habits and an appreciation of good health will determine the state of health one may enjoy.

## PROGRAM FOR MONDAY NIGHT APRIL 9th.

Christian Endeavor Society of Christian Church.

TOPIC—The Significance of Easter.

LEADER—Miss Katie Sanderlin.

Song—"I Know that My Redeemer Liveth."

PRAYER.

LESSON—1 Cor. 15: 50-58.

CLIPPINGS READ BY—Misses Vera Hodges and Naomi Wade and Messrs. Jesse Butler and T. L. Jones.

DUETT—Misses Graces Holliday and Mabel Lynch.

PAPER—What Lessons Does Easter Teach? By Miss Will Cooper.

The Attitude of the Early Disciples to the Resurrection of Christ. By Rev. J. M. Waters.

SONG—Jesus Lives.

BUSINESS.

SONG—Selected.

Commencement at Angier

Dr. Weston Bruner, pastor of the Tabernacle Church Raleigh, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon at the Angier high school on April 15. Dr. J. Y. Joyner, superintendent of Public Instruction will deliver a literary address at the school on April 20th. Prof. J. E. Dowd is principal there.

V. B. Morgan, Jr., was born last Sunday morning to Mr. and Mrs. V. B. Morgan.

## GOODWIN WANTS REPEAL OF EXCESS PROFIT TAX

Sixth District Congressman Feels Taxation Will Not Be Distributed Fairly

Washington, April 1.—Representative H. L. Goodwin of North Carolina, today declared his intention to fight to the limit for a repeal by the extra session of Congress the legislation putting an "excess profits tax" on the corporations of the country for the benefit of the special preparedness fund.

"I am against this legislation which was made law by the sixty-fourth Congress," declared Mr. Goodwin today in explaining his attitude on the matter. "I am against it because I am convinced that the taxation will not be distributed fairly among the concerns doing business throughout the country. I am especially convinced that it will hit the south hard and let off many northern corporations and companies scot-free."

"The law, as it stands now, is that any corporation or company shall pay, at the close of the present year as the first taxable year, in addition to the regular income tax, a tax of eight per cent of whatever amount the net proceeds of the concern shall exceed by eight per cent its capital stock."

"This means that the biggest corporations of the country, with their immense divisions of stock, or losses of stock can roll up gigantic profits and yet not have to pay taxes because their profits will not exceed their capitalizations. In the south, however, where concerns are capitalized on the strictest business principles and with small capital, the tax will be found a terrible burden."

"I am informed that several southern members of the house have already determined to start the fight for the repeal of the excess profits tax as soon as the tariff question is opened in this special session of Congress. However, if nobody else does start it, I'll start it, and I am sufficiently close to sentiment among the members from the south and some from the west to prophesy that we will make the fight with every chance of success."

"Of course, it is going to be a revenue that thus would be stopped. My aim, is to put a straight five per cent tax on all the net earnings of all the corporations. That will at least equalize things throughout the country. The south does not mean that it is unwilling to bear its share of the nation's expenses at such a time as this, but it does mean that the other sections of the country should also bear theirs."

Mr. Goodwin was asked if he felt sure that the revenue question would be thrown open by this extra session of Congress.

"I do not see how it can be avoided in any way," he replied. "We are facing a great crisis, one which calls for the utmost generosity on the part of Congress and the people in the expenditure of the government's money. The military establishment is going to cost us nobody knows what. Therefore, the house committee on ways and means, the revenue raising body of Congress must find ways to put more money into the treasury than is now going there."

"That will mean the passage of more revenue legislation, and it will mean also the opportunity for us to see that the corporations of the country are taxed equally and fairly. An excess profits tax is all right if it hits every fellow the same way. But the present one does not, and I am in favor of the plan already being discussed to levy the straight five per cent tax on the net profits of all corporations. After that, it will not matter whether a concern is over-capitalized or not. It will have to give up to the government a certain share of what it makes."—Parker R. Anderson in Monday's Greensboro News.

## BOOK CLUB MEETS.

Benson, April 1.—Mrs. J. W. Whitenton was hostess to the John Charles McNeill Book Club Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. J. E. Barbour. After the minutes were read and the roll called an interesting program was carried out as follows: "Lightening the Spring Cleaning," paper by Mrs. O. A. Barbour. "Giving the Family a Balanced Diet," paper by Mrs. M. T. Britt. "Today's Daughters," selected, Mrs. T. T. Lanier. Round table: Ways of Economizing in the Home. The time of meeting was changed to 4 o'clock during the spring and summer. After the books were exchanged and adjournment, the hostess assisted by Mrs. J. L. Hall, served a salad course.

"The Girl and the Ranger" broke the long silence in the show world so far as Dunn is concerned, Wednesday night. It showed under canvas on the Massengill lot near the post-office and was well attended. The crowd was satisfied with the performance.

At the recent session of the legislature 27 justices of the peace were appointed for Harnett County, their terms being for six years.

The following is a list of the appointees by townships and they are expected to go before W. P. Byrd, Clerk of Harnett Superior Court, at once and qualify:

Anderson Creek Township—H. D. McDonald, A. A. West.

Aversboro Township—V. L. Stephens, J. F. Wilson, R. W. Kenlaw.

Barbecue Township—John Darroch.

Beckhorn Township—L. S. Mann.

Duke Township—W. H. Lucas, E. W. Smith, L. E. Stancill, E. S. Yarbrough, W. F. Blake.

Hectors Creek Township—D. E. Smith, A. A. Johnson.

Lillington Township—U. H. Parker, C. H. Biggs, J. N. Fugate, J. E. Ligon, S. D. Brantley.

Kells Creek Township—J. F. Jones, A. S. Johnson, B. F. McLeod, N. J. Reardon.

Stewarts Creek Township—S. M. Hobbs, C. M. Allen.

Upper Little River Township—W. A. Page, J. Blue McDonald—Harnett Post.

## WILL HOLD POSITIONS WITHOUT EXAMINATIONS

Not All Postmasters Now in Office Will Have To Meet New Requirements

Washington, April 3.—Representative Goodwin made inquiry at the Postoffice Department today for the purpose of gathering information as to the nature and extent of the recent executive order covering all Presidential postmasters under the civil service.

"I found," said he, "that the present postmasters who were appointed at the beginning of President Wilson's first term and whose terms will expire during this coming spring and summer are covered under the executive order, and they will be continued without reappointment or examination unless it should be made to appear that some of them are not rendering satisfactory service."

"The order applies to all future appointments for vacancies that are created by death, resignation or removal for cause and in these cases appointments will be made through competitive civil service examinations."

"The question of raising fourth-class postmasters to Presidential officers when these offices are raised from the fourth-class has not yet been determined. They may be continued or they may be required to stand another examination. It is definitely settled that these postmasters, who have heretofore been appointed and whose terms were recently confirmed by the Senate will hold their positions without examination."—J. E. C. Bryant in News and Observer.

## WALKING THE BEST SPRING TONIC

Drugs, Pills and Purgatives Harmful. Give Nature a Chance.

Walk some every day has been prescribed as a preventive of spring fever. But this does not mean walking in and about the house or standing on your feet while at work. It means going for a walk in the open air and sunshine, relaxing mind and body.

As spring comes on the body requires extra attention. It needs toning up in order to properly adjust itself to the change of season, and to completely recover from the bad effects of high temperatures and indoor living during the winter. But drugs, pills and purgatives are not needed. They do more harm than good. Spring tonics that are worth while are exercises that will take you out in the open air, sufficient and regular rest of mind and body, and a diet mainly of fruits and vegetables.

Walking every day in the open air or it be walking to work or walking for health sake. As to the health value of walking, Dr. William A. Howe says:

"This means of improving health, like fresh air, is within the reach of most people. Its energizing influences should be more widely utilized. A reasonable distance should be walked every day, regardless of weather conditions. It is not well to walk so rapidly or so far as to induce fatigue from which one does not promptly recover. Neither is it advisable to walk rapidly in the face of a strong wind, or on a rough road, or in ascending a hill. Unless already accustomed to walking it is far better to begin by going a short distance each day, at a moderate pace, gradually increasing the distance and speed."—State Board of Health Bulletin.

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