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The Dispatch will issue about September fifteenth a special conservation edition in which will be shown what Harnett county has already done toward helping the Nation wage war and what it can further do to aid in hastening victory to American arms.

A BIT OF HISTORY

Odd and Ends Man of Wilmington Star Writes Interestingly of Harnett County Men

The following article from Wednesday's Wilmington Star will be interesting to many of our readers: "While Postmaster H. McL. Green is being congratulated upon the Senate's confirmation of his re-appointment for another four years, one is reminded that he is not the only member of the very estimable Green family of Harnett county to 'make good' in an office of public trust and honor to such an extent as to be rewarded by repeated terms.

"Old Pleasant Union has been for generations the community center. The now venerable John A. McAllister, of Lumberton, taught school there in the long ago and two young Robinsons of a succeeding generation conducted the same school in the same old oak grove some fifteen years ago, during the period when John Mills, of Raleigh, extended his railroad down from the State Capital to the Cape Fear river, built a depot on the north side and stopped, leaving the river to reach the railroad. Later he crossed the river and extended the line to Fayetteville, and afterwards sold out to the Norfolk Southern. Now another railroad reaches Lillington from Sanford, with some prospect of being extended to Swambers, via Benson and Mt. Olive.

"It has been demonstrated, for example, that chronic infection is a toxin or an abscess at the root of a tooth may be, and frequently is, the source from which an articular rheumatism or an acute valvular disease of the heart has its origin."

Items, Comment and Suggestions

By Rev. J. A. Hornaday, Pastor Dunn Methodist Church

For several weeks all progress in ship building has been tied up on account of disagreement between General Goethals, general manager of the emergency fleet corporation, and William Deans, chairman of the United States shipping board. As these men were peculiarly fitted for valuable service to the country in the positions they occupied, very earnest efforts were made to adjust the differences between them and let the much needed work go forward, but all efforts failed. Last week President Wilson took firm hold upon the matter, and when he saw that the difference between the two men could not be adjusted, he promptly asked for the resignation of both, and appointed others in their places.

Is the mid-week prayer service worth while? In all well regulated churches the mid-week prayer service is considered as much a fixture as the regular Sunday services. As the churches generally look upon it as a fixture, it is probable that they do not stop to inquire whether or not it is worth while. If asked about it probably nine out of every ten of the members would stand firmly for the mid-week prayer service. Yet in most cases these services are so poorly attended that comparatively few of the members are benefited by them. In a church of more than three hundred members it seems impossible to induce as many as fifty to attend the prayer service. Indeed the number reaches only about one of ten oftener than otherwise. We once heard Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D., of Maxton, say he considered the mid-week prayer service the thermometer of the church, measuring its spiritual temperature. The statement made an impression on my mind at the time, and I have not forgotten it. I still find myself questioning whether or not Dr. Hill was correct in the statement, and if so, lamenting the deplorably low state of the church in real spiritual life. We sometimes hear it said that those who attend the mid-week prayer services do so because they are the best people in the church. This is not the correct way to state it. As a matter of fact they are the best people in the church because they do attend the prayer services. No services connected with the church is more helpful to sincere members than the prayer service, and those who attend are strengthened and edified by it, while those who neglect it are deprived of all its benefits.

The latest news from Washington places the cost of the war to the United States alone for the first year at the enormous figure of seven billion dollars. Almost every day for weeks the figures indicating the cost of the war to the United States have been placed higher and higher until they have reached the staggering sum of seventeen billion dollars. It is quite probable that before this "item" is printed the figure may go to a higher point. No wonder the statement was made that Congress was simply stunned by the announcement that this amount would be necessary for the prosecution of the war by the United States the first year of its participation in the great world war. But the seventeen billion dollars will be only secondary to the actual cost of the war to the United States. Many of the noblest and best of the young men of our country will have to give their lives, and for this sacrifice no estimate can be made.

The writer of these "Items" is gratified this week at Marvin church, on the Parkton Circuit, assisting the pastor, Rev. H. B. Porter, in a series of evangelistic meetings. Twenty-nine years ago Marvin church was on the Cumberland Circuit, and this writer was pastor of that charge for one year. The church is situated in one of the finest communities in all the country. The lands are fertile and the people are refined, making it quite a desirable community in which to live. This writer will return to Dunn in time to fill his appointments next Sunday, morning and evening.

The governor of the great state of Texas has been indicted for embezzlement, misapplication of public funds and for diverting public funds. He is serving as Chief Executive of Texas for a second term, and has announced his candidacy for a third term. He is a pronounced advocate of home, and his election was accompanied by big money interests of his and other states, and at governor

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he has used all his powers to defeat any sort of temperance legislation. The advocates of the liquor traffic stood by James F. Ferguson, and he has uniformly stood by them and their unholy interests. There is talk of impeachment proceedings in his case, and it is hoped they may be carried through, and the great state of Texas set free from the handicap of such a governor.

Mrs. Rena Mooney of San Francisco, who was tried for her life in that city last week on a murder charge growing out of a bomb explosion last July, resulting in the death of ten persons, was acquitted by the jury after two days deliberation. When the foreman of the jury pronounced the verdict of acquittal Mrs. Mooney sprang to her feet, rushed forward and kissed each of the jurors. Mrs. Mooney's husband is under sentence of death for participation in the same crime for which Mrs. Mooney was tried. As soon as she could she hurried to the jail in which her husband is confined to acquaint him of her good fortune. Since Thomas J. Mooney was convicted and sentenced to death new evidence has been discovered in his favor, and it is thought he may very soon get his freedom.

The disastrous wreck of 83, a fast passenger train on the A. C. L. R. R. on Thursday morning of last week furnished a hero in the person of the colored porter of the Pullman car. When he felt the shock of the car on the cross ties he instantly took charge of an infant to save it if possible from harm. He was hurled against a window, breaking the glass, then back over one of the seats, a severely hurting, if not breaking, his back, but he held on to the child until he fell helpless. The child was saved from all harm, but the porter was the worst hurt individual on the wrecked car. A look at the wreck convinced any one that nothing but a miracle saved those on board from terrible death, yet only three persons were seriously hurt, and no one killed outright. The engineer in charge of the wrecked train said he was running about fifty-five miles an hour when the wreck occurred, which was five miles less than the limit.

It is impossible for the mind to grasp the magnitude of the cost of the world war. England alone has already expended twenty-six billion, four hundred and sixty million dollars, and the end is not yet in sight. The cost of the war to England in dollars and cents amounts to the immense sum of thirty-five million dollars every day that passes. No wonder the Allies were glad to have the United States to come into the mighty struggle, her money and her men are needed to cope with the forces that oppose the best interests of the world of mankind.

The "Children's Day Exercises" at Black's Chapel last Sunday afternoon were excellent in all respects. The afternoon was quite warm, but the church was almost full, and we have rarely ever heard the exercises enlivened. The program had been arranged with great care, the children had been well trained, and the whole affair was a decided success. The collection amounted to \$5.91. Quite an interesting address, though brief, was delivered by J. T. Hall of Fayetteville. Such a service by the children reflects great credit upon the homes in which they live, the Sunday School they represent, and those who trained them for the service.

20 YEARS' REPUTATION ALL SHIPPER'S SICKNESSES BY HOOD & GRANHAM

As to the value of anti-typhoid vaccine, the war in Europe has supplied a test on an enormous scale, and there has been no divergence of opinion as to its use or efficiency at any time. As a matter of fact, its efficiency has been so well established in Europe that many states or countries, Galicia, for instance, has made its use compulsory for her entire population. Germany says she has given it to millions with no serious consequences.

THE Bank of Cape Fear June 25th, 1915, DEPOSITS..... \$39,424.05 June 25th, 1916, DEPOSITS..... 63,983.26 June 25th, 1917, DEPOSITS..... 131,291.00 OVER 300 PER CENT GAIN SINCE JUNE, 25, 1915. 200 percent gain in last 90 days in our SAVINGS DEPARTMENT. We pay 4 percent in this department. "DUNN'S FASTEST GROWING BANK" D. C. FUSSELL, Pres. G. M. TILGHMAN, Vice-Pres. H. B. TAYLOR, Cashier. G. M. HOOKS, Ass't. Cashier.

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