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## JOHN LLOYD SHOT AND KILLED LAST NIGHT

Shooting Affray Resulted in Death of One, the Other Being Seriously Wounded.

John Lloyd, (better known as Pat) lies dead in the ally back of his home in the northern part of the city and Zannie Tart, his brother-in-law, is in the lock-up with a bullet whole through the left side of his head, just above the ear, and one through his left arm, as a result of the shooting affray which took place in Lloyd's home last night just after 10 o'clock. Two women, Irene Stewart and Thelma Strickland, of Burlington, are also in custody, it being alleged that they are responsible to some extent for the tragedy.

About 10:30 o'clock last night a phone message came to police headquarters from the office of the Dunn Oil Mills Company, stating that Zannie Tart had just arrived and was in a serious condition, being about through the head and through the arm. The officers responded to the call immediately and got Tart and brought him into town where he was treated by local physicians. His wounds were dressed and he was later landed in the lock-up until further investigation could be made of the shooting. The officers then went to the home of John Lloyd, where the shooting occurred, but Lloyd could not be found. They searched the premises but got no trace of the other party to the shooting until this morning when he was discovered just back of his home dead, still grasping the pistol with which he shot Tart.

The story goes that Tart, who married Lloyd's sister, had left his wife, who had just returned from the hospital and was still in a serious condition. He had not provided for her in several days, although she was unable to leave her bed. She was at the mercy of friends and neighbors who were taking care of her. Lloyd made arrangements yesterday to take her to his home and take care of her. Tart had been with the woman mentioned above during the day and was in a drunken condition. Upon learning that his wife had gone to the home of her brother Tart went there

go back to her home with him. She refused to do this stating that she was unable to go. He then pulled a pistol from his pocket and began shooting at her. She left her bed and sought safety behind a door which was penetrated by bullets from the pistol in Tart's hand. In the meantime Lloyd, the dead man, returned home. He saw what had taken place and got his pistol and demanded of Tart that he leave his home immediately. Tart refused to move and began shooting at Lloyd who returned the fire. Lloyd was shot through the head after he had wounded his assailant as above stated. Lloyd then left the home and went into the alley where he was found dead this morning.

A coroner's inquest is being held today and Tart is in jail awaiting the result.

The dead man leaves a widow and four children.

## SHOOTS GIRL, THEN KILLS HIMSELF

Ernest Crocker Dead; Miss Rose Has Chance For Recovery

Selma, March 12.—Miss Emma Rose, the young lady who was shot on the street Monday night by Ernest Crocker, a rejected lover, who in turn shot and killed himself, is in a critical condition today, but physicians think she may recover if pneumonia does not develop. The deplorable tragedy occurred about 7 o'clock Monday night, while Miss Rose was on her way home from the telephone exchange, where she was employed. Before leaving the telephone office she was called over the phone by Crocker, who asked permission to escort her home. She declined, saying her brother would accompany her. Before she reached home Crocker overtook her and shot her twice, one bullet striking her in the face and other in the breast. Crocker then shot himself twice, both bullets entering near the heart. He died instantly.

Ernest Crocker lived with his father near town and was about twenty-five years old. Miss Rose lived in Selma and has been employed for sometime as operator in the telephone exchange. She had been the recipient of Crocker's attention for a year or more but had recently discarded him and this is assigned as the cause of the tragedy.

The concert to be given in the Opera House, Dunn, N. C., March 25th, at 8 o'clock p. m. by a class of children from the Oxford Orphanage should enlist the sympathetic interest and patronage of all our people. On former visits these children have shown themselves to be well-behaved and well-trained, and the concert is always worthy of patronage.

## ITEMS OF NEWS FROM COATS AND VICINITY.

Schools Buying Thrift Stamps. Saw Mill and Gin Being Built. Vote on Road Bonds.

Coats, March 11.—Thrift stamp meetings were held at Burlington schoolhouse Friday afternoon and at Coats Friday night. L. L. Levinson was the principal speaker at Burlington and Hon. Chas. Ross at Coats. \$490.00 was subscribed at Burlington and \$1,240.00 at Coats. This is but the beginning as both those schools expect to be responsible for the sale of five times the above amount of these stamps. With this agitation a wave of patriotism has swept this community unparalleled in its history. For God's sake let the good work go on. Our people have needed to be aroused, but they are now responding wonderfully.

On Monday night Mr. Levinson will speak at Barclaysville school and Sorrell school on Wednesday night, both places on the same subject. We are expecting pro rata returns from these two progressive schools.

Another saw mill and gin is being established at Coats by T. V. Stewart. He expects to be at work within the next few days. He has purchased the property recently owned by J. P. Stephenson, a very valuable piece of property located immediately in the town of Coats.

A very beautiful war program is being carried out at the Coats Baptist church. Every boy who is a member of the Baraca class has pledged himself to secure another member in his place to carry on his part of the work should he be drafted into the military service. So far one member has gone into service since this program was begun and he, faithful to his promise, secured another young man to take his place in the class.

A new garage has been recently established at Coats in the old T. V. Stewart furniture store building. The progressive owners of this new business are Messrs. J. E. Ennis and J. T. Pollard. They also have the agency for the Oakland car. These cars seem to be taking well in the community.

L. L. Levinson, Miss Ethel Byrd, Carlos Stewart and Mr. W. W. Wiggins motored to Raleigh to see "Very Good Eddie." They report a very pleasant trip.

Grove township will vote on good road bonds Tuesday, March 12th. A close call is predicted but the bonds are expected to be carried. This is the third time within the past two years that this proposition has been put before the people.

## SMITH-STEWART.

Coats, Mar. 11th.—The announcement of the marriage of Irbin Smith to Miss Etie B. Stewart, both of Coats, will be of interest to a wide and prominent circle of friends both in and out of Harnett County. It occurred at the home of the bride on Sunday evening, March 10th. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. A. Campbell, of Buies Creek, long the pastor of both the bride and groom.

The color scheme of yellow and green was beautifully carried out; even the bride being attired in a beautiful traveling suit of green with shoes and hat to match and carried a shower bouquet of orchids.

Miss Myrtle Pope, teacher of music at Coats school, was at the piano, while Professor Lynch, voice teacher at Buies Creek Academy, sang "I Love You." At the conclusion of this song the strains from Mendelssohn were heard and the bride and groom entered. First came a bridesmaid leaning on the arm of the best man who were immediately followed by the bride and groom. During the entire ceremony Miss Pope played softly the wedding march.

Only a few invited friends and many relatives were present. The bride is the attractive and accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Stewart a prominent family of Coats and the groom is the son of Mr. G. I. Smith, a planter residing near Coats.

After a short bridal trip Mr. and Mrs. Smith will be at home at Coats. We are informed that the concert this being given this year by the Singing Class of the Oxford Orphanage is, in some respects, different from any that has ever before been offered to the public. The program this year includes several patriotic numbers that are calculated to inspire and enoble—to create a deeper and more abiding love of country and its institutions. Do not fail to hear this concert; tell your friends about it; come and help to give these children a rousing reception.

Eric Bell, of Camp Sherman, arrived the first of the week and is spending several days with relatives here and in Sampson county.

## GOVERNMENT OFFERS BARGAINS TO SAVERS

Five Dollar Bills Going at \$4.14 This Month. Women and Business Men Quick to Accept.

Speaking of bargains, the Government is offering the biggest bargain the country has ever known, says a recent bulletin from State Headquarters for War Savings at Winston-Salem. This month \$5.00 bills are going at \$4.14, \$100 bills are going at \$82.80 and \$1,000 bills at \$828.

Women, who are always keen on bargains, who were able, have already invested much in War Savings Stamps—the Government's big bargain. They recognize the value of the Government's offer at once. Big business men also, who know good business deals when they see them, were quick to take all the Government would let them have of the offer. For the reason that this proposition of the Government was such a bargain and would quickly be taken by the big business firms of the country, the Government passed a law allowing any one individual to purchase only \$1,000 of War Savings Stamps. This gives the man or woman of small means an opportunity to share in the Government's offer that big business would gladly and eagerly accept.

The trouble that arises, says the bulletin, from holding this offer from big business firms and offering it to the people of small means that they may not only have an opportunity for having a share in winning this great war, but that they may also share in this plan of saving which the Government has provided, is that the people are not recognizing what is open to them. They see no bargain in it. That a \$5.00 bill can be bought this month for \$4.14 apparently means nothing to them not even the fact that they are contributing a little bit to the winning of the war by lending the Government that amount of their money for five years with 4 per cent interest compounded quarterly.

"We must see it," says the bulletin, "or be made to see it and feel it too, when the Government will be forced to conscript our money in the form of taxes. Then we will give it."

The amount we give but will not get even the principal back. After all," it says, "it is only a question of lending our money to the Government with interest by purchasing War Savings Stamps, or having the Government take it in the form of Taxes. THE WAR MUST BE WON."

## MOVEMENT OF 95,000 DRAFTED MEN MARCH 29

Washington, March 12.—A movement of 95,000 drafted men to begin on March 29 and continue for five days was ordered today by Provost Marshal General Crowder. The order calls troops from every state in the Union with the exception of Iowa and Minnesota. It includes men remaining from the first draft and those liable to call in the second.

Just how many men of the second draft are effected by the order was not stated at General Crowder's office. It is understood that the movement will virtually complete the first draft and that it is part of the announced plan to call registrants in small groups as fast as they can be accommodated.

The apportionment for Southern States follows: Arkansas, 1,541; Alabama, 2,534; Florida, 2,598; Georgia, 5,225; Kentucky, 1,851; Louisiana, 3,578; Mississippi, 2,220; North Carolina, 5,174; South Carolina, 345; Tennessee, 2,753; Texas, 3,943; Virginia, 2,178.

## EIGHTEEN BRITISH SHIPS SUNK BY U-BOATS

Fifteen Were 1800 Tons or Over; Same Number As Two Preceding Weeks.

London, March 12.—The Admiralty reports the loss by mine or submarine of 18 British merchantmen in the past week and one fishing vessel. Of these 15 were 1,600 tons or over, and three under that tonnage.

The arrivals at ports in the United Kingdom numbered 2,046; sailings 2,052. Merchantmen unsuccessfully attacked, 8.

For the third time in as many weeks 18 British merchantmen have been destroyed through mine or submarine. In the previous week twelve of the vessels were 1,600 tons or over six under that tonnage, while in the preceding week fourteen of the vessels were of more than 1,600 tons.

The First National Bank of Dunn has been designated by the United States government as a depository for Harnett county for funds arising from the sale of nitrate of soda. Farmers who have made purchases through the government agents should see the bank officials at once and arrange for payment. The bank will be glad to be of service to you in any way possible.

## REPORT OF WAS WORK IN THE SCHOOLS OF HARNETT

The Figures Below Show Where Each School in the County Stands. More Interest Needed.

Lillington, N. C., Mar. 12.—It is our earnest desire to enlist every pupil and others in the different school districts in the county in Thrift and War Savings Societies. In order that the people of the county might get some idea as to the conditions in the county with reference to the way our citizens are supporting the boys who are on their way to the front and who are already there we sent certain blanks to each school in the county asking for reports that would give us the necessary information.

We have asked that these reports be made each week during the month of March. We have no reason why any school would hesitate to comply with this simple request and we take it that nothing has been done in those schools that is not reporting to us, and we are so glad to hear in the report. We take that very few of the districts, if any, reported the subscriptions made at Lillington and Dunn the first Monday of the month. Each school has a right to organize the community and report any members or subscriptions made through such an organization. This has been done in some cases this week. Any schools not including community work should include it in the next report. The teachers will please be careful to report only the work each week. We can make totals at the end of the month and where each district stands.

In the face of the dangers and sufferings of those in the war we are unable to understand why any person with even moderate intelligence will hesitate to go the way that is helping to make our fighting men the strongest possible.

Refusing to go the way that is placing an humble offering of measure and money in advance of the boys "over there," should make such a commitment fully belong. They who are too busy to help the boys are too busy to help themselves.

Neighbors. It is a matter of hoarding and expending selfishness or it is a matter of lending a helping hand and manifesting the Christ spirit.

We sincerely trust that those schools reporting nothing this week will make a fine report next week and each of the other weeks during March. We insist that it is most important that every teacher push this work among both pupils and patrons the remainder of the term.

In making the report we are giving both the number and names of the larger schools since they are more generally known by their names.

The first row of figures below represent the number of members in the Thrift Society; the second row number of Thrift Stamps purchased and the third row represent the number of War Savings Stamps purchased by the schools in the various school districts:

Anderson's Creek—	No. 1	0	0	0
	No. 2	0	0	0
	No. 3	0	0	0
	No. 4	0	0	0
	No. 5	0	0	0
	No. 6	0	0	0
Averasboro—	No. 1, Dunn Schools	0	0	0
	No. 2	0	0	0
	No. 4	0	0	0
	No. 5	0	0	0
	No. 6	0	0	0
	No. 7	0	0	0
	No. 9	25	4	12
	No. 10	0	0	0
Barbecue—	No. 1	0	0	0
	No. 2	0	0	0
	No. 3	20	22	2
	No. 4	0	0	0
	No. 5	8	5	4
Black River—	No. 1	0	0	0
	No. 2	0	0	0
	No. 3	0	0	0
	No. 4	0	0	0
	No. 5	40	100	0
	No. 6	0	0	0
Buckhorn—	No. 1	0	0	0
	No. 2	0	0	0
	No. 3	0	0	0
Duke—	No. 1, Duke School	0	0	0
Grove—	No. 1	0	0	0
	No. 2	18	16	26
	No. 3, Coats School	78	11	4
	No. 4	0	0	0
	No. 5	0	20	0
	No. 6	0	0	0
	No. 7	0	0	0
Hector's Creek—	No. 1	0	0	0
	No. 2	0	0	0
	No. 3	0	0	0
	No. 5	0	4	0
	No. 6	0	0	0

## DUKE TO BE GARDEN SPOT OF HARNETT.

Every Resident May Have Garden if He Wishes It. Fertilizers and Seed Furnished.

Duke, N. C., Mar. 8.—The fine weather for the past weeks has given excellent opportunity for garden work and the people of Duke have taken every possible advantage. To begin with The Erwin Cotton Mills Co. made it possible for every family to have a garden by giving enough land. Where there was no garden spot available near the home one was selected as convenient as possible. Then the Company offered to its employees fertilizers, potatoes and onion sets at cost, and aided them in getting the plowing done, so that the community of Duke is really a garden spot. Every available space has been broken up preparatory to planting and in many instances last year's cotton fields have been converted into garden spots. In addition to this special places have been arranged for hog-pens so that every one who wishes to do so may keep hogs. The aim is that the families may raise as nearly as possible all that they have to eat. Arrangements are also being made to have a community canning plant for the summer to take care of any surplus vegetables.

While General Crowder sets no time in his statement, it has been stated previously that supplies and equipment for the men of the second draft would become available in April and as action on the desired legislation is expected before that time the first calls are expected soon afterward.

## PROF. TURLINGTON'S FUNERAL AT SMITHFIELD

J. Ivan Davis Sentenced To The Penitentiary For Twenty Years

Smithfield, March 13.—Remains of Prof. Ira T. Turlington reached here from Black Mountain last night and were carried to the home of Mrs. N. B. Grantham, sister of Mrs. Turlington. This morning at eleven o'clock the funeral was conducted from the Presbyterian church by Rev. Mr. Hale, pastor of the Presbyterian church of Mt. Airy, assisted by Rev. A. T. Lassiter, pastor of Presbyterian church of Benson and Rev. A. S. Anderson, pastor of Presbyterian church of this place. The little church was packed with friends and relatives, while several times as many stood on the outside.

Rev. Mr. Hale said a very beautiful and touching service was held at the church. He said that the funeral was a beautiful and touching service. He said that the funeral was a beautiful and touching service.

The funeral was more largely attended than any conducted in the town for years, people coming from all over the county and elsewhere to pay their last respects to his memory. The floral offerings were beautiful and profuse.

Superior Court adjourned today and Judge Whedbee, Solicitor Sijr and the court stenographer left for their respective homes.

J. Ivan Davis, through his attorneys E. S. Abell and Jas. A. Wellons, entered a plea of guilty of murder in the second degree, which plea was accepted by Solicitor Sijr and P. H. Brooks for the state. After hearing the evidence, Judge Whedbee sentenced the defendant to twenty years at hard labor in the penitentiary. Davis killed his father-in-law, Jacob Boykin, January 21st, 1918, and has been in jail since awaiting trial.

Ralph Wade was here last week from Fort Caswell, visiting his father, Frank Wade and other relatives.

Johnsonville—

No. 1	0	0	0
No. 2	0	0	0
No. 3	0	0	0
Lillington—	No. 1, Lillington Sch	75	192
	No. 2	0	0
Neill's Creek—	No. 1, Buies' Creek	4	6
	No. 2	0	8
	No. 3	24	4
Stewart's Creek—	No. 1	46	0
	No. 2	0	0
Upper Little River—	No. 1	0	0
	No. 2	0	0
	No. 3	0	0
	No. 4	0	0
	No. 5	0	2
	No. 6	0	0
	No. 7	0	0
	No. 8	0	0
	No. 9	0	2
	No. 10	5	0
	No. 11	0	0

## NEW DRAFT WILL CALL FOR 800,000 MORE MEN

Small Number at Time. Probably in April. Farmers in Class Go to Foot of Class.

Washington, March 12.—Provost Marshal General Crowder today made the first official announcement of the time of the second draft. It will be ordered as soon as Congress amends the law to complete the basis of apportionment among the States on the number of registrants in class one instead of population. For purposes of computation 800,000 men will be considered also composing the second draft, although no such number will be called to the colors at any one time.

Men in deferred classifications, the Provost Marshal General announced, would be called in small numbers as well as men in class one for the purpose of utilizing special technical qualifications. The Provost Marshal General makes the definite statement, however, that there will be no sudden withdrawal of great numbers of men from industry and agriculture during the coming summer, but that they will be drawn in relatively small groups spread throughout the year. To give the exact number, he says, would be to give the enemy military information.

While General Crowder sets no time in his statement, it has been stated previously that supplies and equipment for the men of the second draft would become available in April and as action on the desired legislation is expected before that time the first calls are expected soon afterward.

"The next national quota will be announced and apportioned among the several States as soon as pending legislation authorizing a change in the basis of computation is enacted by Congress," says the Provost Marshal General's statement. "The number that will be assumed as a basis for computation will be 800,000, which is well within the authorization of class one of section one of the Selective Service Act of a second increment of 800,000 men, increased by the recruit training units authorized by section two of said act. It cannot be announced what the total number to be called to the colors each month will be, it may be stated that no more men will be called than can be properly accommodated and properly assimilated."

"There are difficulties confronting the nation in the supply of labor appurtenant to agriculture. Class one from which no new levies are to be withdrawn will contain many more men than as at present required for the army. It would be a most unscientific and fateful step if the men in class one were called indiscriminately without regard to the labor situation in agriculture. Therefore, the local boards will be directed to fill their quotas in the order of liability of men in class one as determined by the national drawing, except that where it is shown that a registrant is completely an assiduously engaged in the planting, cultivation and reaping of crop, his call to the colors shall be deferred to the foot of the quota of his board as long as he continues to be so engaged."

"Wherever any registrant, whose call to the colors has been deferred because of his engagement in agriculture, is shown to have been idle on the farm on which he is engaged, or to have trifled with the deferment that has been accorded him, the boards will forthwith induct him into military service if his order number has been reached in the meantime. The effect of this expedient is to grant furloughs from service prior to actual call to colors to the men so greatly needed in the production of this year's crop."

"This is not, however, the only expedient that is to be adopted to conserve the supply of labor appurtenant to agriculture and to mobilize all means for increasing the harvest for the agriculture season of 1918."

"There is now pending before Congress a bill authorizing the Secretary of War to grant furloughs, with or without pay, to men in the army to enable them to engage in industrial and agricultural pursuits. These furloughs of the circumstances of the individual case in which they arise and when the military situation is such that they can be granted without too great disruptions and disorganization of the army or of any particular organization of the army."

"As to further means to protect agriculture a new regulation has been promulgated authorizing agricultural student sin their senior year in land grant colleges to enlist in the enlisted reserve corps of the quartermaster's department provided their class standing is such as to place them in the upper third or their class. By this

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## BANK OF HARNETT ENJOYS PROSPERITY

Report of Active Vice-President to Stockholders Shows Continued Growth.

Duke, N. C., Mar. 12.—At the recent stockholders meeting of Bank of Harnett the report of the active vice-president for the past year's work showed continued and healthful growth in all lines and the bank to be in a most excellent condition. The stockholders evidenced their approval of the work for the year by extending a vote of thanks to the officers for their efficient services during the year.

The entire board of directors of the past year were unanimously re-elected for the ensuing year, and were Messrs. B. N. Duke, J. B. Duke, W. A. Erwin, T. M. Webb, G. W. Watts, W. P. Holt, J. M. Hodges, J. F. Wiley, E. P. Davis, E. K. Fowes, C. S. Hicks, and E. S. Yarbrough.

The directors met immediately after the stockholders adjourned. Arrangements were made for the bank to handle Thrift and War Savings Stamps. The following officers were elected: B. N. Duke, President, W. A. Erwin and E. P. Davis, Vice-Presidents; C. S. Hicks, Active Vice-President; and W. A. White, Cashier.

As the weather begins to show signs of spring the boys are beginning to think of base ball and growing quite enthusiastic on the subject. It is not expected that Duke will put a strong team in the field as is their usual custom, but will probably organize two home teams for several games on the home grounds, and may play a few games with other local teams. These teams will be composed entirely of boys working for the Erwin Cotton Mills Co.

## ABOUT THE RED CROSS WORK

Last week I made an appeal to you to make a contribution to the 15th of each month to your local Red Cross for the benefit of the soldiers who are fighting for you. Please fill in and sign the pledge below and mail to me. Or if you are in the city...

## THE PLEDGE

I hereby agree to give to our local Red Cross on the 15th of each month, for the balance of the year of 1918, the sum of \$5.00—\$2.00—\$1.00. Please check amount you wish to donate.

## TWO THOUSANDS APPLY FOR CLERICAL JOBS IN WASHINGTON

Washington, D. C., March 13, 1918.—That American men and women are eager to accept every opportunity to help in the nation's greatest undertaking is evidenced by the response received to the announcement of the United States Civil Service Commission of the need for general clerks. The Commission sent out a call for clerks to be employed in the departments in Washington, and January 6, February 9, and March 9 were set as examination dates. About 35,000 persons applied for admission to these examinations. A large percentage of the applications came from persons whose sole purpose in seeking Government employment was to help keep the war machine moving. This prompt and heavy response has made it unnecessary to hold further examinations for general clerk in the near future. Examinations for stenographers and typewriters and for clerks trained in certain special or technical lines are still being held.

The most pressing need of the Government service in Washington right now is for a large number of well qualified stenographers. The Civil Service Commission urges persons who are equipped to pass the stenography part of the examination to apply at once. Examinations are held at least once a week in 450 of the principal cities. Definite information and application blanks may be obtained from representatives of the Civil Service Commission at post offices.

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