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WEDNESDAY, JULY 4, 1917.  
THE CALL OF THE GUARD.

The young able-bodied men without dependents in North Carolina are this week being called upon to enlist in the National Guard organizations, the week beginning July 2 and ending July 7 having been designated "National Guard Week" by Governor Bickett. The call for volunteers is being made in order to fill up the gaps in the Guard which at present needs about 4,000 men.

The Adjutant General has appealed to the newspapers, city and county officials, ministers of the gospel, chambers of commerce, and all other organizations to align themselves with the movement. The military authorities of the State are also desirous of enlisting the services of all the citizens in the movement towards securing the necessary enlistments.

"The men of North Carolina have always been in the forefront of every war in which this State has been engaged," says Adjutant General B. S. Royster in his appeal to the young men to hold up the record of the Old North State. He adds: "It was North Carolinians who first declared their independence from their mother country. It was North Carolinians who fought the battle of Alamance Court House, and Kings Mountain. North Carolinians were first at Bethel, farthest at Gettysburg and last at Appomattox, and it is believed that the same spirit and determination which our forefathers displayed in the war of the Revolution, and during the Civil War, has been inherited by this generation. Therefore, this office looks with confidence to the young men of this State to once more offer their services in defense of our great Anglo-Saxon civilization."

This appeal of the Adjutant General to the young men of Gaston county has already been answered by a great many, but there are a great many more who have turned a deaf ear to the call. Those young men have heard the call of America and of their mother State during the past weeks and have been prone to heed it, but have not done so because they were not given the proper encouragement from the men with whom they are working. There are several instances in Gastonia where red-blooded young men heard their country's call and were eager and ready to answer it but were persuaded "to wait a while and you might not be drafted." This does not sound pleasing to the patriotic people but it is true, we regret to relate.

Those employers who have advised the men working for them "to wait" are certainly not in harmony with the President and the government and are therefore nothing less than "slackers" even if they are married, physically unfit or without the age limits.

Those same men who busy themselves to advise patriotic young men desirous of doing their duty "to wait" when several thousand men are badly needed in the National Guard in North Carolina can be seen every day in the week wildly chasing the dollar. And in this mad chase for money these men have the dollar so close to their eyes that they cannot see the unstained flag of America floating before them and urge them to give up the chase for profit and answer duty's call.

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**It Pays to Deal With H. SCHNEIDER**

A lot of young Americans could show their patriotism on this Glorious Fourth by stepping up to the recruiting office and enlisting for their country's defense. It beats marching in the Biltown Fourth of July Parade all hollow.

Those Russians are surprising everybody. Taking eight to ten thousand prisoners on the first day of their new offensive, after months of inactivity, was no small accomplishment. From the news that has been coming from that country during and since the revolution through which it has recently passed, the American people were prepared to wait months before expecting to hear of the Russians being in the game again to any extent. Uncle Sam's assistance and the encouragement carried to that country by the Root mission has evidently had much to do with putting Russia's fighting forces in the field once more.

One frequently hears it said—and it is true, of course—that the Generals and other "big bugs" in the various armies are not found in the front fighting, but far in the rear. This is meant generally as an unfavorable criticism, though it should not be. Should the big men who plan the campaigns and work out the details of great battles put themselves at the front and fall in battle the armies would soon find themselves demoralized for the want of competent leaders. It is necessary for them to be protected and saved for important work. However, in view of the criticism referred to, it is refreshing to see Minister of War Kerensky of Russia put himself at the very front of the troops, give the orders to advance and lead his men on to a glorious victory. Perhaps that incident explains in some degree the success with which the Russian campaign is starting. The men know that they have behind them a man who means business and who counts his life as naught when weighed in the balances with his country's cause.

In the bloody race riots and burning of property in East Saint Louis are to be seen some of the fruits of the great migration of negroes from the cotton fields of the South to the congested industrial centers. They are attracted by glowing pictures painted by hired labor agents. In many cases doubtless they are disappointed. If they do secure the promised employment at high wages the glare of the city with its booze

and other allurements often turns their heads and trouble follows as it has done in this instance. Then, too, the whites in the North, East and West are largely ignorant of the character and habits of the purely Southern negro. They don't know how to take him or to treat him. Again trouble follows. A gentleman who lives in New York city stated to the writer recently that the number of negroes buried last winter in the potter's field in that one city ran into the thousands and was appalling. The negro's place is in the South and when he migrates in considerable numbers to other sections we may as well expect trouble.

**PLANS FOR FLORAL FAIR.**

Will Be Held as Usual and Preparations Are Being Made for Biggest Fair in Town's History—Committee Chairmen Named—The Prizes.

(Written for The Gazette.)

In answer to several inquiries as to whether we will have a flower show this year we reply, "Yes". We have already begun to make preparations for it.

Believing that the large majority of us can best "do our bit" in the great world war by carrying out our President's command to keep up the home industries, we hope to make this the biggest and best floral fair we have ever had.

We are planning interesting exhibits. We shall have chrysanthemums, fancy work booth, candy booth, old quilt booth, food conservation booth and will serve one meal.

As usual prizes will be given for chrysanthemums and fancy work. In addition there will be a first and a second prize for the prettiest old quilt and prizes for the best jelly, preserves, pickles and canned fruits and vegetables.

We are anxious to have as many chrysanthemums as possible. While all cannot grow flowers, many ladies can help the floral fair by entering jellies, preserves, canned fruits and vegetables, etc.

It has often been said that the floral fair is the most enjoyable social event of the year in Gastonia and, since the social clubs of the town have largely laid aside the social feature while the war continues, we expect everyone to enjoy the social chats and old-fashioned handshakes with their friends at the floral fair more than ever.

We want everyone who can sew or embroider to make a garment for the fair. Anything will be acceptable from a cook apron to the most elaborate luncheon cloth.

The doors will be opened at three o'clock in the afternoon and one meal will be served. The fair will close that night.

Chairmen for the several committees have been appointed as follows: To receive flowers, Mrs. W. J. Clifford; to sell flowers, Mrs. T. W. Wilson; candy booth, Mrs. J. L. Beal; fancy work booth, Mrs. A. A. Mc-

Lean; old quilts, Mrs. G. W. Wilson; food conservation booth; Mrs. L. F. Wetzell; kitchen, Mrs. S. G. Fry; salads, Mrs. G. W. Ragan; cake, Mrs. J. L. Moore.

This floral fair is given under the auspices of the Gastonia Woman's Betterment Association and it is very gratifying to the members of the floral fair committee of the association that the responses to their requests have been given so readily and so cheerfully. Not a single appointee has refused to serve.

The women of Gastonia are noted for their spirit of co-operation. While they differ as to some things they are united in their common love for Gastonia.

Let us make the next fair the best in the history, knowing that all the work and money will be used for bettering the conditions in our town.

MRS. J. F. THOMSON,  
MRS. D. E. McCONNELL,  
MRS. W. F. MICHAEL,  
MRS. R. C. WARREN,  
Floral Fair Com.

**AT SHRINE MEETING.**

Gastonia Well Represented at Big Ceremonial at Hendersonville Today—Fall Ceremonial May Come to Gastonia.

Gastonia is well represented at the annual summer ceremonial of Oasis Temple Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine being held at Hendersonville today. In the matter of "fresh meat" this city is particularly well represented there being an even dozen Gastonites who will cross the hot sands. They are Henry Rankin, Chas Ford, J. T. Sadler, J. H. Henderlite, J. S. Trott, W. G. Haunier, A. K. Winget, P. P. Leventis, J. E. Simpson, D. R. LaFar, F. S. Wetzell and F. C. Michael.

Shriners and others attending the ceremonial from here are Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Babington, Mrs. J. H. Henderlite, G. H. Marvin, A. G. Myers, W. H. Adams, J. Lean Adams, C. I. Loftin, J. S. Winget, R. Hope Brisson, F. L. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Marvin, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Rankin and others.

Gastonia will extend an invitation to the Shriners to come to Gastonia for the fall ceremonial and there is a strong probability that the invitation will be accepted.

**P. & N. CHANGES ITS SCHEDULE TEMPORARILY.**

The Piedmont & Northern Railway company is preparing to put in the new \$150,000 steel girder bridge at Mount Holly and in doing this, it will be necessary for the road to use the Seaboard's tracks from Rhyne's station to Mount Holly.

The public is asked to note the temporary schedule which goes into effect at 1:20 a. m., July 5.

Leave Charlotte 8 a. m., 12 noon, 3 p. m., 6 p. m., 11 p. m.

Leave Gastonia 7 a. m., 11 a. m., 2 p. m., 5 p. m., 9 p. m.

The schedule will be resumed in about a week, when the new structure is completed. The steel for the bridge has arrived at the river and work will commence at once.



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