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IN SOCIAL CIRCLES

LATEST EVENTS IN WOMAN'S WORLD

PHILATHEA SOCIAL MEETING TONIGHT.

The regular monthly social meeting of the Philathea class of Main Street Methodist Sunday school will be held in the League room tonight at 7:30. All the members are to bring the articles they are working on for the Parcel Post booth.

BLAKE-INGRAM WEDDING AT ASHEVILLE.

The following from The Asheville Citizen of last Wednesday will be of interest to many of our readers. The groom is a son of Mrs. C. V. Blake, of this city.

A beautiful but quiet wedding was solemnized yesterday morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hines, No. 50 Vance street, when their niece, Mrs. Lola Kelly Ingram, and Mr. James Heath Blake, of this city, were married. The ceremony was performed by Dr. William Byrd, pastor of the Central Methodist church, who used the impressive ring service. The bride wore a modish traveling suit of African brown satin and a large picture hat to match. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Blake left for a Southern trip and after October 1, will be at home to their friends at No. 50 Vance street. Mrs. Blake is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Kelly, of Timonville, S. C., and possesses a charming personality. She had been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Hines for some time. Mr. Blake is well known and prominently connected in both North and South Carolina. He is a graduate of pharmacy at the University of Maryland and is now with the Goode Drug Company of this city.

ROMANTIC WEDDING AT NASHVILLE.

The many friends here and elsewhere of Mr. John L. Page, cashier of the Bank of Gastonia, will be surprised to learn of his marriage in Nashville, Tenn., Friday to Miss Nina Leigh Boland, of Little Mountain, S. C. The ceremony was performed in the First Presbyterian church there at 6:30 o'clock Friday evening, the pastor, Rev. Dr. Caldwell, officiating. They left soon after the ceremony for the bride's home at Little Mountain, S. C., and are expected to reach Gastonia this afternoon.

The wedding of Mr. Page and Miss Boland was quite romantic. On September 1st Mr. Page was in Nashville to attend the marriage of his brother, Mr. Grover C. Page, cartoonist on The Nashville Tennessean, to Miss Gertrude Miller Boland. There he met the bride's sister, Miss Nina Leigh Boland, and Cupid, the little God of Love, got busy at once.

Miss Boland was to leave Nashville Saturday, the 15th, for her home. Mr. Page left Gastonia for Nashville with the intention of accompanying her from Nashville to Little Mountain. Soon after reaching Nashville, however, the young couple decided to get married and come to Gastonia instead.

The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Page, of Gastonia, and is cashier of the new Bank of Gastonia, having been with the First National Bank for several years prior to the organization of the institution with which he is now connected. He and his bride will be welcomed back to Gastonia this evening by many friends who will wish for them a happy life-voage.

LAFOLLETTE'S ANTI-WAR SPEECH UNPOPULAR.

(By International News Service.) ST. PAUL, Sept. 21.—A mass meeting of citizens is being arranged to repudiate the anti-war speech made here last night by Senator LaFollette. A verbatim copy of the speech has been sent to Washington for possible action by the Government.

G. B. MEANS IS ARRESTED

CHARGED WITH MURDER OF MRS. KING

Prominent Concord Man, Much in the Limelight Since Mysterious Death of Chicago Millionaire's Widow, Was Arrested Saturday Night — Hearing Scheduled for Today — Second Coroner's Inquest Will Not Take Place.

Concord, Stpt. 22. — Gaston B. Means at 11 o'clock tonight was lodged in the Cabarrus county jail charged with the murder of Mrs. Maude A. King, who was killed near here August 29. Before being carried to the jail his counsel held a long conference, at which Means was present. After this meeting his lawyers left on a late train for Charlotte.

Means who was formerly business manager of Mrs. King, who was mysteriously killed near here on August 29, was arrested late today on a warrant charging him with the murder.

The warrant for the arrest of Means was issued after an all-day conference between Solicitor Hayden Clement, of this district, and representatives of the office of District Attorney Swann, of New York, at which, it is said, enough evidence was brought out to establish what officials believe to be a motive for the killing.

The warrant which charges Means with the murder of Mrs. King is returnable at 10 o'clock on Monday morning before A. B. Palmer, police justice of Concord.

Solicitor Clement announced tonight that the coroner's inquest into the death of Mrs. King, which had been scheduled to be re-opened on Monday morning, will not be held. The solicitor explained as his reason for cancelling the inquest that he had been informed by the court that a second inquest might be held illegal.

At the Broadway today: Miriam Cooper in "The Innocent Sinner." It's a Fox.

POPE MAY MAKE ANOTHER PEACE MOVE.

(By International News Service.) WASHINGTON, Sept. 22. — The Pope's next peace move is expected to be initiated within the next two weeks, according to Catholic political circles. The nature of the next step is not known. Ever since President Wilson sent his reply to the Pope, the latter has been in constant communication with Germany and Austria, his chief concern being that peace could not be discussed with the present German government. The replies of the Central Powers have not greatly impressed officials here, except that Austria betrays her growing anxiety for peace.

GERMAN INFLUENCE SEEN IN AUSTRIA'S REPLY.

(By International News Service.) LONDON, Sept. 22. — The powerful influence of Germany is plainly to be seen in Austria's reply to the Pope's peace proposals. The feverish desire of Austria for peace can easily be read between the lines, but German influence succeeded in preventing her from making specific terms or promising restoration.

SATURDAY'S COTTON MARKET.

NEW YORK, Sept. 22. — Cotton market closed one cent higher after a wild market in which shorts, spot houses and bulls bought furiously. October closed at 24.50, January 24.20.

TWELVE MORE MEN TO COLUMBIA

The following 12 men were sent to Camp Jackson, Columbia, S. C., Friday to complete Gaston county's second contingent of men for the drafted army, making a total of 85 or 40 per cent of the total quota of 212 men:

John Hoyle Wallace.
Horace Cleveland Ross.
Miley Burnett.
Anderson Bryant Brown.
Russell S. Cloninger.
Noely Craig Hanna.
Dennis Ross Fite.
James Floyd Reneau.
George Edward Cherry.
Will Rufus Clemmer.
Calvin Lee Hayes.
William Burt Groner.

AUSTRIAN PAPERS PRAISE THE PRESIDENT.

(By International News Service.) GENEVA, Sept. 22.—Austrian papers received here show that the efforts of the Pan-Germans to extend the anti-Wilson propaganda to Austria have failed. Some papers praise the President. Swiss travelers have been warned to keep out of Germany on account of an epidemic of cholera in the Rhine valley.

WILL CO-OPERATE WITH THE ALLIES.

(By International News Service.) WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—American participation in the Allied parliamentary conference and the sending of a congressional delegation to the war front was practically decided on at a joint meeting of the House and Senate foreign committees this afternoon.

WASH WOMEN FORM UNION; RAISE PRICES.

(By International News Service.) CHICAGO, Sept. 22. — Last, but not least, in the never ceasing march toward ultimate unionism comes the washerwoman.

She arose in the very midst of pacifist, criticisms of Mayor Thompson, murders and murder mysteries, and, unmindful of the wary Chink, informed Miss Chicago that henceforth she would be forced to pay \$2.50 for the weekly family wash!

Expostulations were in vain, mildady of the tub, clothesline and wringer was adamant. Further, she informed the 'laddy of the house' that she was not alone in her demands.

"We have formed a union," she explained, "and what is more, we'll not touch your wash for less than \$2.50. Pay me or you'll not get your clothes."

DESERTS TWICE, BUT RETURNS FROM HUNGER.

(By International News Service.) NASHVILLE, Tenn., Sept. 22. — Lincoln Burkhardt, private in the First Tennessee Infantry, after twice deserting, faces court-martial. He deserted several months ago, was captured and returned to his command. He was given a light sentence in the guardhouse. Recently he deserted for the second time. He made his way into the hills with his uniform, gun and ammunition and defied his pursuers. When he got hungry he hung out the white flag.

SOLDIERS OPPOSED SUFFRAGE IN MAINE.

(By International News Service.) WESTFIELD, Me., Sept. 22. — That soldiers are not very strong for woman suffrage is indicated in the vote against equal suffrage taken among the Maine soldiers at Camp Bartlett. The vote stood, in favor, 291; against, 610.

WOMEN TO KNIT FOR "RAINBOW" DIVISION.

(By International News Service.) NEW YORK, Sept. 22. — The National League for Women's Service has begun a campaign of knitting to help equip the men of the "Rainbow" Division at Mineola with warm garments. The women will make sleeveless sweaters, scarfs, wristlets and other garments.

DESTROYED ORCHARDS WITH "INSECTICIDE."

(By International News Service.) MERIDIAN, Miss., Sept. 22. — In France when the Germans retreated they cut down fruit trees. In Mississippi, it is charged, German sympathizers have found an easier means of blasting the fruit producers. Two men were arrested near here charged with selling to fruit-growers and farmers insecticide, which, when applied to the trees, killed them. One orchard of 500 peach trees is a total loss. One of 400 trees, three of 300 and two of 500 trees have been badly damaged. The farmers believe German sympathizers are responsible.

NO MORE SCHOOL BOOKS FOR GERMAN CHILDREN.

(By International News Service.) AMSTERDAM, Sept. 22.—Schools without books! That is the latest thing with which Germany is threatened.

According to the Vossische Zeitung, publishers of school books have been informed that they may use what stocks of paper they have for printing such volumes, but that when those supplies are exhausted no more paper may be used for this purpose.

Toward the beginning of next year the Vossische declares no more school books will be available. Even at present it generally takes two months before classes can be com-

WILL DRAFT 5000 MEN

TO SERVE AS HOME GUARDS IN STATE

Governor Bickett, Acting Under Power Given Him by Last Legislature, Issues Proclamation Calling for 5,000 Men to Serve as State Militia—Ages Between 31 and 45.

Charlotte Observer, 24th.

Raleigh, Sept. 23.—In a proclamation issued tonight Governor Bickett invokes the active service of the "unorganized militia," as constituted by an act of the last General Assembly, ratified March 6 and consisting of all male citizens of the State between the ages of 18 and 45, the call including those 31 to 45.

The governor proposes to draft 5,000 men from this unorganized militia with not less than 25 men to any county and bigger companies for the larger counties. The regulations for the selective draft are to be immediately framed and the draft accomplished with the least possible delay in all the counties. Conditions now prevailing in the State, the governor declares, make this move necessary at this time. The plan is one that was worked out by direction of the governor some days ago and approved by the state council of defense. Among the conditions that are speeding up the formation of the militia companies are the crimes committed the past few days in Wake, Vance, Harnett and Durham counties, all of which stirred hundreds of people to mob violence.

The state's prison here is the "place of safety" to which criminals are brought to keep mobs from them and a particularly large special military force is contemplated for Raleigh and Wake on that account, to deter combinations of mob movements from different counties to force even the state's prison under some circumstances.

Already there is formed a formidable special company of selected citizens here for service of this sort to be ready for any emergency. The organization was perfected tonight in the state house with Adjutant General Laurence W. Young and Maj. W. F. Moody directing the movement. The men were called to the service through special letters and telephones the past few hours and they are understood to be ready for any emergency.

The proclamation of Governor Bickett follows: "Whereas, it has been made to appear to me that conditions now prevail within the state calling for the use and service of an effective force for the maintenance of peace and order;

"Whereas, the companies composing the organized state guard are now absent from the state, having been duly called into the national service, and,

"Whereas, by an act by the last general assembly entitled 'An act to revise the military laws of the state and increase the efficiency of the militia,' ratified March 6, 1917, all able bodied male citizens of the state and all able bodied male residents therein, who have signified their purpose to become citizens, between the ages of 18 and 45, unless excepted by special law, or constituted and declared to be the unorganized militia of the state and made subject to the call of the governor for the purpose indicated;

"Now, therefore, I, Thomas W. Bickett, governor, by virtue of authority vested in me by the general laws and more especially by the provisions of said act, do make this my proclamation and call into the active service of the state the said unorganized militia as described and designated in said act between the ages of 31 and 45 to the number of 5,000, not less than 25 in any one county and the remainder to be apportioned to the larger counties as the governor may designate, to be selected by draft and forthwith organized and equipped as provided by said statute and the regulations to be immediately framed and published."

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LEAKING TANK CAUSED TROUBLE

(By International News Service.) WASHINGTON, Sept. 24. — It is announced that the torpedo boat which was disabled off the Virginia capes was disabled by a leaking tank.

TRAINING CAMPS ARE CONTINUED

(By International News Service.) CAMBRIDGE, Sept. 24.—Officers' reserve training camps will continue indefinitely. The second, now in progress, will be followed by the third, and possibly there will be a fourth, according to a statement by Secretary Baker to the Harvard Crimson.

TODAY'S COTTON MARKET. NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—The cotton market opened today with October contracts selling at 24.50, Janu-

ACCUSE KERENSKY OF DUPLICITY

(By International News Service.) COPENHAGEN, Sept. 24. — The mysterious absence of Premier Kerensky from Petrograd is regarded as significant in view of the imminence of a new political crisis, says a dispatch from Petrograd dated Sunday. The Bolshevik group is becoming bolder in its fight for power, accusing Kerensky of duplicity in the Korniloff revolt and demanding a full explanation.

MARTIAL LAW IN BUENOS AIRES

(By International News Service.) BUENOS AIRES, Sept. 24. — A virtual state of martial law is in effect here today as the result of a railway strike. All lines are tied up. Heavily armed forces of soldier police are maintaining order. A break with Germany is regarded less likely in view of Germany's repudiation of Luxburg.

RUSSIA WILL CARRY OUT PROGRAM

(By International News Service.) PETROGRAD, Sept. 24.—All ambassadors of the allied countries called today on the vice-president and the foreign minister and were assured that the action of the radicals would not deter the government from carrying out the war program.

GERMAN BONDS HARD TO SELL

(By International News Service.) AMSTERDAM, Sept. 24.—Germany is meeting serious difficulty in floating her new war loan. Special inducements have been offered the German people and strong efforts are being made to sell the bonds in Switzerland, Denmark, Sweden, and Holland, where an extensive advertising campaign is in progress.

TO CONTROL COAL MINES

(By International News Service.) LEXINGTON, Sept. 24.—Government control of the coal mines of Kentucky and Tennessee may be a reality within a week. Replying to an appeal from the people of Central Kentucky, where a coal famine is threatened, Fuel Administrator Garfield telegraphed that the situation will have his immediate attention.

COURT MARTIAL FOR NEGRO MUTINEERS

(By International News Service.) EL PASO, Sept. 24.—A court martial for the trial of the 156 negro mutineers will commence here next Monday. If found guilty they may get the death penalty.

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TORPEDO BOAT DISABLED

(By International News Service.) WASHINGTON, Sept. 24. — The American torpedo boat which sent distress signals from somewhere off the United States coast last night has been found and towed into port, the Navy Department announces. Beyond the statement that the accident which disabled the boat was "internal", no details were announced.

THE STATE FORESTER A LISTING OFFICER.

The State Forester, Mr. J. S. Holmes, who is also Acting Director of the North Carolina Geological and Economic Survey during the absence of Major Joseph Hyde Pratt with the 105th Regiment of Engineers, has just been appointed a listing officer for the Second Forestry Regiment, known as the 20th Engineers (Forest) Regiment, by Mr. William L. Hall, Assistant Forester, Washington, D. C., who has been requested by the War Department to organize this regiment. Two other listing officers have been appointed by Mr. Hall in this State, I. S. Mr. Verne Rhoades, Asheville, and A. T. Gerrans, Newbern.

The enlistment of ten battalions has been authorized, and two battalions or 1,500 men, are called for at once. The enlisted men will be picked woodsmen and saw mill workers. Service in these units will give such men to take the part in the war for which their life and training have peculiarly fitted them. For the logging crews, skilled axmen, wood-sawyers, crosscut-saw fliers, tie hewers, skidders, teamsters, and blacksmiths are wanted. Mill-wrights, mill sawyers, circular-saw fliers, engineers, and experienced mill hands are needed to operate the sawmills which will form part of the equipment; carpenters, machinists, charcoal burners and logging teamsters are wanted, and helpers are required for the various activities connected with woods and the maintenance of large camps.

To join a forest battalion, applicants can first be listed by a listing officer appointed by the Forest Service or go direct to any U. S. Army recruiting office.

Applicants must have reached their 18th birthday and not have passed their 41st birthday. They will be subject to the same physical examinations as required for the regular army. Men of draft age whose names have been posted by the "Local Board" for service in the National Army are not eligible for enlistment. Enlistments will be for the period of the war.

All recruits will be enlisted as privates. Warrants for noncommissioned officers are issued if a man is found qualified by the regimental commander after joining the battalion to which he is assigned. Further information can be secured by applying to the State Forester, Chapel Hill, N. C.

Mr. Holmes is particularly anxious that North Carolina be adequately represented. He says that at the present time this State probably leads in the number of small sawmills being operated, and in the number of hardwood cross-ties produced. We, therefore, probably have more men engaged in these two industries than any other State in the Union. It might also be said that we are all skilled axmen, for North Carolina leads all the states in the value of the forest products sold from the farm. Under these circumstances we ought to be able to furnish more skilled woodsmen than any other State. This is a great opportunity to show our patriotism by offering ourselves and our skill to our country as members of this Forest Regiment.

The Gazette goes all over Gaston and then some. Only three-a-week paper in the State. Two dollars the year, and cheap at that.

Gaston County Leads State Community Fairs Going On

LUCIA
Monday, Sept. 24th
MOUNT OLIVET
Tuesday, Sept. 25th
NEW HOPE
Wednesday, Sept. 26th
PISGAH
Thursday, Sept. 27th
UNION
Friday, Sept. 28th
SUNNYSIDE
Saturday, Sept. 29th

SOUTH POINT
Monday, Oct. 1st
LANDER'S CHAPEL
Tuesday, Oct. 2nd
PANHANDLE
Wednesday, Oct. 3rd
COSTNER
Thursday, Oct. 4th
CHERRYVILLE
Friday, Oct. 5th
Saturday, Oct. 6th

SEE COLLECTIVE EXHIBITS AT

The Big Gaston County Fair

October 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 1917

J. M. HOLLAND, Executive Secretary

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Gaston County School Children Free,
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