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BOOSTED LIBERTY LOAN IN SOCIAL CIRCLES

A WHIRLWIND CAMPAIGN IS STARTED

Enthusiastic Meeting of Gaston County Liberty Loan Committee Held Yesterday at Armington Hotel at Luncheon Given by Col. Armstrong — Executive Committee of Nine Chosen to Handle Campaign — Series of Rallies Over County Planned for Next Tuesday Night.

If the spirit manifested at the luncheon given at the Armington hotel yesterday by Col. C. B. Armstrong to the Gaston County Liberty Loan Committee is indicative of the spirit which pervades the people of the county generally there is not the slightest doubt that Gaston will subscribe in full her quota of the second Liberty Loan and will in all probability go beyond the figure set for Gaston, namely \$700,000. The luncheon itself was a splendid affair. Col. Armstrong was host and toastmaster and practically every place at the table was taken, the large majority of the fifty-two being present.

After the party had partaken freely of the good things provided, the toastmaster called on Mr. Andrew E. Moore to explain the object of the meeting. Mr. Moore made a splendid address in which he reviewed very briefly the events leading up to the war and concluded with a stirring appeal to the patriotism of all, as it should be exhibited in the purchase of Liberty Bonds. Now that we are in this war, said the speaker, any man who will not back the government with his sympathy, with his services and with his money is a traitor and a scoundrel. He urged the purchase of bonds by individuals and corporations and explained briefly that it was a sound financial investment. Mr. Moore's talk was pointed throughout and was delivered in a most earnest and zealous spirit.

At the close of his speech a motion was made and adopted that the steering committee of three, composed of S. N. Boyce, A. G. Myers and J. M. Holland, retire and select an executive committee of nine to have charge of the campaign. While this committee was out he toastmaster called on a number of those present for short talks. Mr. J. H. Separk spoke on "The Relation Between the Corporation and the Liberty Loan". He declared that if we do not raise the \$5,000,000,000 called for by the government by the purchase of Liberty Bonds it will have to be raised by taxation.

Capt. F. Dilling, one of Gaston's warhorses, made an effective talk. He said that, if he lived until next week he would be 78 years old but that he was ready and willing to do everything in his power to help his country win this war. Mayor A. M. Dixon, speaking for the Gaston County Association of Cotton Mill Superintendents, proffered the assistance of that organization in creating an interest among the cotton mill employees in the bond issue. He stated that the association would have a meeting here Saturday when plans for securing as many and as large subscriptions as possible from the mill operatives would be taken up.

W. T. Rankin called attention to the necessity for a thorough organization. F. P. Hall, county superintendent of education, said that he believed the committee should devote its attention in no small degree to educating the people in the rural sections especially on the subject of Liberty Bonds and the necessity for them.

J. M. Holland, manager of the campaign, stated that two things must be done besides raising the money. A publicity campaign must be carried on and the people must be educated on the subject.

At this juncture the steering committee reported on its nominations for an executive committee. The

LATEST EVENTS IN WOMAN'S WORLD

THE FRIENDLY MATRONS.

The Friendly Matrons had a called meeting at the Red Cross room Tuesday afternoon and decided that they would work three afternoons out of each month at the Red Cross work room. They will have one social meeting every month. The meetings will be held on Thursday afternoons from 3 to 5. Notices will appear in the paper each week.

McADENVILLE LADIES TO GIVE BAZAAR.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist church at McAdenville has been preparing for several weeks for its annual bazaar, which will be held in the hall over J. W. Little's store on Saturday night, Oct. 20th. Oysters and suppers will be served in addition to the various articles of fancy work and wearing apparel offered at "before the war" prices. This bazaar is looked forward to each year, as the ladies make it a very attractive social gathering as well as a means of helping a worthy cause.

STRIKE OF 40,000 KANSAS COAL MINERS.

(By International News Service.) KANSAS CITY, Oct. 18. — A strike of the 40,000 coal miners in this field tomorrow seems certain. The men demand that arbitrary penalties be discontinued.

BRITISH BROUGHT DOWN 18 GERMAN AIRPLANES.

(By International News Service.) PARIS, Oct. 18. — Eighteen German machines were shot down yesterday in heavy fighting, the War Office announced. Both sides have conducted raids behind the lines.

Pollyanna, Central School Auditorium, Friday Night. Admission 15 and 25 cents.

men selected were C. B. Armstrong, J. L. Robinson, A. C. Laneberger, C. E. Hutchison, J. H. Separk, W. T. Rankin, R. R. Ray, F. Dilling and J. M. Holland. They were unanimously chosen. Later A. G. Myers and S. N. Boyce, the other two members of the steering committee, were added. It was moved and carried that five members of the executive committee constitute a quorum and be empowered to transact business.

Short and appropriate talks were made by Mr. Webb, of Philadelphia; C. E. Hutchison, Ed Smith, R. R. Ray, J. L. Robinson, S. A. Wilkins, A. H. Huss, J. W. Kendrick, S. C. Hendricks, A. Q. Kalle, W. T. Love, T. L. Craig, M. A. Turner, A. G. Myers, J. A. Costner, A. A. McLean, Jr., M. A. Carpenter, A. C. Laneberger, S. A. Robinson and O. F. Mason. Mr. Mason was the last speaker and he made a strong appeal in behalf of the Liberty Bonds.

Not a few of the speakers mentioned the fact that they had sons in the army and these statements brought forth applause.

Plans are now being perfected for a series of rallies to be held next Tuesday night. It is the purpose of the committee to have speakings at each of the school houses in the county where a community fair was held and also at every one of the seventy-odd cotton mills in the county. For this purpose a large number of speakers will be pressed into service. At these meetings there will also be distributed literature, now being prepared, setting forth concisely and in plain understandable language just what the Liberty Bonds are, how they may be purchased and how paid for.

Following the rallies to be held Tuesday night a county-wide campaign for subscriptions will be conducted Wednesday, the day set apart by the President for that purpose.

A BIG PATRIOTIC RALLY ARTILLERY RANGE IS ASSURED

FOR RED CROSS AND LIBERTY BONDS

Large Gathering at Tabernacle Last Night Heard Splendid Address on Red Cross Work by Rev. F. B. Boyer—Music by 163rd Infantry Band.

A large concourse of Gastonians gathered in the tabernacle on East Main avenue last night for a big patriotic rally in the interest of the Red Cross and the sale of Liberty Bonds. Prior to the beginning of the program of speeches splendid music was rendered by the 163rd Infantry Band from Camp Greene.

Mr. W. L. Balthis, chairman of the Gaston County Red Cross, called the meeting to order and presented Mayor A. M. Dixon, who presided and introduced the speaker of the evening, Rev. F. B. Boyer, of Asheville, State Director of the Red Cross.

Rev. Mr. Boyer delivered a very forceful address on the work of the Red Cross organization. Having been for some time an ambulance driver on the fighting front in France, he spoke from personal experience in telling of the great need for supplies and comforts of all kinds on the battle field.

There was general regret at the absence of Brigadier-General Volt-wart, who was to have been one of the speakers of the evening, but who for some reason failed to arrive. At the conclusion of Mr. Boyer's address Rev. J. H. Henderlitt, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, presented medals from the Treasury Department to two members of Boy Scout Troop 3, R. B. Babington, Jr., and George Poston, for selling Liberty bonds of the first issue. Announcement was made that Scout Rhea Ferguson had also won a similar medal, which for some reason had failed to come.

Upon report of the nominating committee all the present officers of the Gaston County Chapter of the Red Cross were unanimously re-elected.

Following is the list of officers elected: W. L. Balthis, chairman; Mrs. Crown W. Wilson, vice-chairman; Mrs. J. H. Kennedy, secretary; A. G. Myers, treasurer.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: S. N. Boyce, J. W. Timberlake, A. E. Woltz, C. B. Armstrong, J. H. Separk, W. L. Balthis, A. G. Myers, Rev. W. J. Roach, S. A. Robinson, L. N. Glenn, Mrs. G. W. Ragan, Mrs. C. W. Wilson, Mrs. W. J. Clifford, Mrs. R. C. Warren, Mrs. O. F. Mason, Mrs. J. F. Thomson, Mrs. A. A. McLean, Mrs. J. H. Kennedy, Miss Lowry Shuford, Mrs. E. W. Gilliam.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: J. O. White, W. H. Adams, C. C. Armstrong, J. Lee Robinson.

While waiting for the members of the band to return from the Armington Hotel, where they were given a supper, Chairman A. M. Dixon called for short speeches from Col. C. B. Armstrong, Mr. J. H. Separk, Rev. H. H. Jordan and Hon. O. F. Mason, all of whom urged upon their hearers the patriotic duty of supporting liberally the second issue of Liberty Loan bonds. The ushers for the exercises were a number of young ladies dressed in the uniform of Red Cross nurses.

TODAY'S COTTON MARKET.

(By International News Service.) NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—The cotton market opened with January contracts selling at 27.35, May 27c.

CONFERENCE BETWEEN MINERS AND OPERATIVES.

(By International News Service.) KANSAS CITY, Oct. 19.—Negotiations were resumed today between 40,000 miners and the operators of the central field, following the countermanding of the strike order.

Yesterday's Charlotte Observer says:

Hope among the artillery units of the Forty-first division that they soon would be ordered elsewhere, preferably to some English or French station, for artillery practice, was blasted late yesterday by official announcement from division headquarters that an artillery range will be located immediately near Kings Mountain, into which the projectiles will be fired. The range will include territory of about fifteen thousand acres in area. The official announcement did not mention the time when practice there is expected to begin.

With the selection of this site, one of the greatest difficulties in locating the camp has been successfully overcome, after investigations by a board of military officers extending over a period of about four months. When construction of Camp Greene proper was in its initial stages, Lieut. Col. W. N. Ladue, engineer officer, on the staff of Major General Wood, inspected a number of possible sites, but was unable to find one he considered suitable. Since the staff of the Forty-first division came here, the investigation has been more or less continuously in progress. The decision to select the Kings Mountain site, which received the greatest consideration, followed a complete and final survey last Monday by Brigadier General Jervey, acting commander of the Forty-first division, accompanied by members of his staff and several Charlotte civilians.

Owing to the distance of this site from Camp Greene—35 miles—the difficulties incident to getting the batteries on the range probably will be minimized by the location near the range of a camp affording accommodations for at least one full regiment. It is believed that Major Greene, the construction quartermaster at Camp Greene, has received orders to this effect from the war department.

While voluntarily censorship prohibits publication of details with reference to the range and the artillery to be used in firing practice, the time when practice begins likely soon thereafter will be known for miles around. It is understood that full charges will be issued to the units on the range. The only other site of proposed important adjuncts to Camp Greene yet to be selected is the site of the great maneuver field. Inspection of lands available for this purpose has been in progress some time, but the military authorities have made no announcement.

Our Men's Underwear stock is certainly complete. All worthy sorts, Cotton, Merino or Wool, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, the garment. Swan-Slater Co.

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POPE IS ANXIOUS TO PREVENT REVOLUTIONS.

(By International News Service.) ROME, Oct. 17.—That the Pope's peace note was intended to save the Governments of Europe from revolution was made known by a high Vatican official today. "The Holy Father is anxious to prevent further red revolutions like that which overtook Russia," stated an official. In that sense his note may be accepted as warning to belligerent governments as well as his peace offer. He will continue his efforts to stop this wanton bloodshed before other governments fall.

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GASTONIA AND GASTON

LATE EVENTS IN TOWN AND COUNTY

Court Next Week.

Gaston Superior Court will convene next Monday, October 22, for a one-week term for the trial of criminal cases. Judge James L. Webb, of Shelby, will be the presiding judge.

Educational Committee.

The Educational Affairs Committee of the Gastonia Chamber of Commerce, of which Joe S. Wray is chairman, will meet Tuesday afternoon at 5 o'clock at the offices of the chamber of commerce to consider several important matters relating to the schools.

Dr. Spillman to Preach.

Dr. B. W. Spillman, of Kinston, field secretary of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board of Nashville, Tenn., will preach at the First Baptist church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. His subject Sunday night will be "The God of War and the Prince of Peace." Everybody is invited to hear Dr. Spillman.

Committee to Meet.

The special sub-committee of the Gastonia Chamber of Commerce named to plan proper advertising for Gastonia at the railroad station, will meet at the chamber of commerce offices Monday morning at 11 o'clock. The sub-committee is composed of Messrs. A. B. O'Neil, R. Kenneth Babington and R. S. Shelby.

County Agricultural Exhibit.

To properly portray the varied agricultural resources of Gaston county, Secretary Fred M. Allen of the Chamber of Commerce is preparing an exhibit for one of the display windows of the offices. Contributions for the exhibit have been received from several parts of the county and more are promised. As soon as a representative selection is secured the exhibit will be arranged in attractive form.

WOMEN POLICE FOR DUTY NEAR CAMPS.

(By International News Service.) NEW YORK, Oct. 16. — Conditions of danger involving young girls in the vicinity of the great training camps have aroused a number of public spirited women with the result that plans are being made today to have women police work near the troop concentration points.

Police Commissioner Wood in his annual budget, submitted to the Board of Estimate, asked for a special appropriation to defray the expenses of employing such women police, but it was struck out. Organizations of women, however, appealed to the Mayor and the Board of Estimate and hearings on the petitions have been granted. Raymond B. Fosdick, chairman of the Commission on Training Camp Activities, is said to be in favor of the plan. Mr. Fosdick is credited with saying:

"We have felt so keenly the necessity for women protective officers in the neighborhood of training camps that we have appointed a committee under the commission, with Miss Maude Miner, of New York, as chairman, whose sole business is to stimulate the appointment of women officers in the neighborhood of military training camps. This plan was frankly adopted from the English system, where the necessity for these officers became apparent immediately after the opening of the war."

CONFERENCE OF MINERS CALLED FOR TOMORROW.

(By International News Service.) ST. LOUIS, Oct. 19.—The end of the coal miners' strike in the St. Louis area is seen in the conference of miners called for tomorrow.

MAYO REPORTS TO THE PRESIDENT

(By International News Service.)

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19. — The naval situation in Europe was laid before the President today by Admiral Mayo, who has just returned from the London naval conference. The President was informed of the disposition of American vessels and the progress that has been made. It is understood that Admiral Mayo reported that the submarine menace has been practically eliminated, and gave details of the offensive to be undertaken against the German fleets. The President also received the Japanese commercial mission.

SCHOOL CHILDREN GO ON STRIKE

(By International News Service.)

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—The strike of public school children against the Gary system spread to Brooklyn today. Two thousand children ignored their classes and paraded the street, breaking windows of the school houses. Police reserves were placed around all the school buildings. Mothers participated in the rioting, objecting to the fact that the Gary system keeps children at school all day.

SUBSCRIPTIONS HAVE REACHED TOTAL OF \$1,750,000,000.

(By International News Service.)

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19. — The Treasury Department announces its expectation that subscriptions to the Second Liberty Loan will reach a total of two billion dollars by Saturday night. \$1,750,000,000 have already been subscribed. It is believed that a maximum of five billion by October 27th is obtainable.

WAR AIM CONFERENCE IN NOVEMBER.

(By International News Service.)

PETROGRAD, Oct. 19.—The central committee of workmen and soldier delegates today requested the provisional government to hasten the inter-Allies conference on war aims. The conference will probably be held in Paris in November.

APPOINTED CUSTODIAN OF ALL ALIEN PROPERTY.

(By International News Service.)

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—Former Congressman Palmer, of Pennsylvania, has been appointed custodian of all alien property taken over by the government.

A list of 57 men who have been certified for service by the district exemption board and who have been notified to appear here next Tuesday, October 23, to entrain for Camp Jackson, is crowded out of this issue for lack of space and will appear Monday.

Notice has been received by Miss Lottie Blake, librarian and in charge of the lyceum attractions, that the date for Dr. Russell H. Conwell's lecture will be Thursday night of next week, October 25, and not Wednesday as announced on another page.

The dramatic recital of "Pollyanna" at the Central school tonight for the benefit of the Philathes Class of the First Baptist church, is to be given by Miss Annie Ruth Caldwell, of Lumberton. By mistake the name was given Wednesday as Miss Esther Caldwell.

Want ads bring results. Have you tried 'em? If not, now's the time. One cent a word each insertion, cash with order.

What Every Employer Can Do

1. Call your men together and explain to them just what a U. S. Government Bond of the Second Liberty Loan of 1917 is. Tell them how it is secured by the entire wealth of the United States. Tell them how the interest is paid. Explain that a Liberty Bond is as good as cash any time they want to sell it or borrow money on it. Explain how the present Liberty Bonds may be exchanged for future bonds in case a later issue should bear a higher rate of interest.
2. Arrange to have your firm subscribe for all the Liberty Bonds your employes can buy and formulate a plan to collect small weekly or monthly payments from the men who invest by deducting a pre-arranged amount from their pay.

3. Get in touch with your banker and arrange for the bank to carry the bonds your employes want to buy and collect in easy payments. Every bank in Gaston county has perfected plans to sell Liberty Bonds on weekly payments.
4. Conduct a systematic campaign among your employes to show them the necessity of distributing Liberty Bonds as widely as possible. Instill in them the desire to become partners in this great Government of ours by buying U. S. Government Bonds of the 2nd Liberty Loan of 1917.

FOR FULL INFORMATION CALL ON ANY GASTON COUNTY BANK OR ON THE

C. B. Armstrong,
Chairman

Central Liberty Loan Committee of Gaston County

J. M. Holland,
Secretary