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ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING

ORGANIZED FOR Y. M. C. A. WAR WORK

At a Dinner at the Armington Last Night Prominent Business Men of the County Organized for the Y. M. C. A. War Work Campaign—Gaston's Quota is \$10,000—Township Chairmen Appointed—A Whirlwind Campaign Will Be Conducted.

Launching the task of raising ten thousand dollars in Gaston county for the Y. M. C. A. work behind the lines in Europe and the cantonments in this country, eighty well-known and representative citizens of the county were present at dinner at the Armington Hotel Tuesday night. The fact was stressed that while the Liberty Loan subscribers received bonds in return, the money thus being invested and not in any wise donated, it is now necessary to give outright to the Y. M. C. A. cause in order to properly provide for the men who have gone to the colors.

Organization was effected with the election of P. W. Garland as chairman of the county organization, M. A. Carpenter treasurer and Fred M. Allen secretary. Township chairmen were then named, including Col. T. L. Craig for Gastonia township, Prof. J. B. Henson for Dallas township, Prof. F. P. Hall for South Point township, Mr. M. L. Mauney for Cherryville township, Mr. R. C. Kennedy for Crowders Mountain township and Mr. John W. Holland for Riverbend township. Each committee chairman was authorized to name any and all committees necessary to carry out the work, which must be completed by one week from Sunday.

Thirty-five million dollars is the sum to be raised in the United States for the cause next week. Gaston county's apportionment is \$10,000. This was apportioned out last night in township quotas, Gastonia being assigned \$5,500, South Point township \$2,000, Crowders Mountain township \$500, Cherryville township \$750, Riverbend township \$750, Dallas township \$500.

P. W. Garland, chairman of the committee in charge of the occasion, acted as toastmaster in his usual capable manner and was the first speaker, sounding the keynote of the evening, and in ably presenting the reasons for the raising of the fund. In an address that was marked by its eloquence and patriotism he stressed the absolute necessity of the Y. M. C. A. work, which cares for the men spiritually and morally by providing clean recreation and by looking after them carefully when they are back from the front line trenches for rest. It is the only safeguard between the men and the immoral conditions which always follow an army in wartime.

Many of the speakers have sons who have enlisted, this adding to the occasion, when the fact was announced by the toastmaster. The speakers were all earnest in their advocating of Gaston county's doing her full part and it was stated that the fund should be quickly and easily raised. The cause is so important that everyone who possibly can is expected to contribute whatever possible.

Among the speakers of the evening were Rev. J. H. Henderlite, Rev. G. A. Sparrow, of Union, Rev. Dr. J. C. Galloway, Mr. C. E. Hutchinson, of Mount Holly, Rev. W. C. Barrett, Rev. H. H. Jordan, Mr. R. R. Ray, of McAdenville, Col. C. B. Armstrong, Mr. J. B. Henson, of Dallas, Prof. F. P. Hall, of Belmont, Rev. J. T. Dendy, of Belmont, Rev. J. C. Dietz, Mr. W. D. Anderson, Rev. R. R. Caldwell, of Bessemer City, Rev. G. P. Abernethy, of Gastonia, Mr. D. P. Dellinger, of Cherryville, Rev. W. B. Shinn, of Bessemer City, Mayor A. M. Dixon, Mr. S. N. Boyce, Rev. O. J. Jones, Mr. J. K. Dixon, Dr. S. A. Wilkins, of Dallas, Rev. W. J. Roach, Mr. W. T. Love, Mr. John O. Rankin.

Mr. J. K. Dixon, a trustee of the Gastonia Y. M. C. A., announced that that organization would start the ball rolling with a subscription of \$500.

New Hope News Notes.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

NEW HOPE, Nov. 6.—The Home Demonstration Club will hold its monthly meeting with Mrs. Annie Wright on Thursday afternoon, November 8th.

Miss Janie Jackson was at home Sunday.

Miss Ethel Stowe spent Sunday with homefolks.

Mr. W. L. Davis and daughters, Misses Dot and Addelora, of Croft, and son, Mr. Gilreath Davis, of Charlotte, motored to Kings Mountain Sunday. They stopped on the way for Mr. Davis' son, Mr. L. B. Davis.

Mr. John Harrison is sick.

Master William Harrison has been right sick, but is better.

The frost has damaged the cotton crop somewhat, especially the late and red land cotton.

School is to start Monday, November 12. Misses Sara Alexander and Hattie Gibson are the teachers.

TODAY'S COTTON MARKET.
(By International News Service.)
NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—The cotton market opened today with January contracts selling at 27.35, May 26.20.

NEWS OF THE COUNTY

LATEST FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS

Dallas Dots.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

DALLAS, Nov. 6.—The Boy Scouts held their regular meeting Thursday night, November 1st, in the graded school building. The meeting was called to order by Scoutmaster Sawyer and some important business was transacted. First, the plans for the future were made; second, the Scouts decided to sweep the Red Cross work room and make fires in it on meeting days, and third, plans for the next meeting were made. The scouts aided in the work Friday night.

Mr. Hines, of the Federal Department of Agriculture, in the department of cereal investigation, will be here November 8th, 9th and 10th, to lecture and give demonstrations before the classes in agriculture and the farmers of the community. (The date of the latter will be announced later.) This work will be a great help to the students of the Farm Life School and it is also hoped that all the farmers shall be interested.

For the past week a squad of men have been working on the Piedmont Telephone line through here. A great many new posts have been put up and new wires have been placed at different places.

The boys of Dallas high school recently organized an athletic association. Earl Pasour was elected president. A financial committee consisting of Kelly Elmore, Hugh Rhyne, Irl Newton and Wynne Bolick was appointed. Prof. J. B. Henson was elected coach and Kelly Elmore manager. Work will be done immediately on a basketball team.

During the past week a great many people from Dallas have gone to Newport News to work as carpenters.

The most attractive entertainment during the Halloween season was the "Carnival" given in the Dallas school auditorium by the pupils on Friday evening, November 2nd. The auditorium was a miniature Autumn forest. The leaves, golden, mahogany and brown, lent enchantment to the occasion. Jack o' lanterns, black cats, witches, owls and bats were in evidence.

The opening number of the evening was the dramatization by the primary department of the poem, "Come Little Leaves." The grand march, in which the school children as ghosts, witches, negroes and leaves participated, was the next feature. Immediately following, the side shows opened and did a successful business. One of the most popular side shows, a Southern negro minstrel, consisted of a chorus of 14 negro impersonators and a skillful clog-dancer. The other side shows were "Bridal Scene," "Fortune Teller," "Cannibal," "Siamese Twins" and a "Wild Woman." Apples, peanuts, popcorn, candy and ice cream cones were sold. During the evening popular music was rendered. The proceeds of the evening will be used for playground equipment for the Dallas school children.

Lowell Locals.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

LOWELL, Nov. 6.—Misses Edith Robinson and Myrtle Titman spent the week-end in Cherokee Falls, S. C. They were the guests of Mrs. R. P. Roberts and returned Sunday afternoon, making the trip in Mr. Lee Goode's car.

Miss Margaret Hood, of the graded school faculty, spent Sunday with her brother at Camp Sevier, Greenville, S. C.

Mrs. Lawrence Wilkerson, of Charlotte, spent last week with her mother, Mrs. S. M. Robinson.

Mr. P. P. Murphy, who underwent an operation for appendicitis in a hospital in Wilmington, is doing nicely and his many friends wish for him a speedy recovery.

Miss Marie Sally, of Woodruff, S. C., is visiting her sister, Miss Lalla Sally, who has charge of the music department of the graded school.

Mr. J. L. Thompson left Saturday for Columbus, Ga., where he goes to accept a position.

Miss Bessie Cox, who has been an efficient stenographer of the Tuckasee Mills, has resigned her position to take charge of the postoffice of this place.

The Halloween play that was given Saturday night by the high school girls was a success in every way. Quite a neat little sum was realized.

Mr. J. Linwood Robinson, of Rutherfordton, was in town Thursday.

The new postoffice building, along with T. P. Rankin & Co., is nearing completion and adds greatly to Lowell's thoroughfare.

Lowell's Red Cross work room is open every Tuesday and Friday afternoons from 2 until 5:30. While they have a lively little crowd of earnest workers, it is wished that more of the ladies would come. This is one of the liveliest auxiliaries in the county and is turning out as much good work as any of its size. Mrs. T. P. Rankin's knitting won second prize at the Gaston fair, and if any lady really wants to show her bit, there is no better way to show it than to spend every minute you can in a Red Cross work room.

His Collection.

Wife—"John, the bill collector's at the door."
Hubby—"Tell him to take that pile on my desk."—Puck.

TRENTON FLORAL FAIR

THE ANNUAL EVENT WAS A BIG SUCCESS

Prizes Awarded for Best Flowers, Canned Goods and Vegetables—Proceeds to be Used for Maintenance of a Three-Months Night School—List of Prize Winners.

(Reported for The Gazette.)

On last Saturday afternoon and evening the Trenton community hall, in West Gastonia presented a gala appearance, the occasion being the third annual floral fair of the Trenton Woman's Betterment Association.

The ladies of this association had on other occasions made a reputation for their fine flowers and vegetable displays. This time, however, they excelled themselves, the displays of chrysanthemums and fall and winter vegetables being unusually fine, and to these being added splendid exhibits of canned goods and fancy work.

Several visitors were heard to remark that this fair compared most favorably in every respect with the fair held by the ladies of the Central betterment a few days before. The Trenton exhibits were smaller in number, but no way inferior in quality. For several years it has been the custom of the mill managers to offer prizes for the best-kept premises, also for the best flower and vegetable collections. A healthful and helpful rivalry has thus been stimulated among the residents of the village, many improvements along civic, sanitary and educational lines have been made, and much lasting good for the community accomplished.

There was a constant stream of visitors throughout the evening, and the neat sum of \$46 was realized from door receipts, sale of flowers and refreshments. This will be applied to the maintenance of a three-months term of night school, which these good women started, and which they have supported for three years.

The ladies appreciate the help of all who, in any way contributed to making the fair a success. They wish particularly to thank the Torrence-Morris Company for the loan of the nice victrola which furnished the music.

At the close of the evening Prof. Joe S. Wray in a very appropriate talk, delivered the prizes to the winners. Mr. Wray praised the ladies for their splendid efforts and endeavored to arouse a spirit of competition in others. He also said that these fine exhibits of canned goods and fall and winter vegetables showed that the women of this community appreciate the need for conservation and are trying to do their bit by the government.

Following is the list of prize-winners. The prizes were all in money:

Best-Kept Premises.

First prize, Mrs. Lee Mauney.
Second prize, Mrs. Caleb Parker.
Third prize, Mrs. Oscar McArver.

Vegetables.

First best collection, Mrs. Michael Mauney.
Second best collection, Mrs. Lee Mauney.
Third best collection, Mrs. Caleb Parker.
Fourth best collection, Mrs. John Lowe.

Canned Goods.

First best collection, Mrs. Caleb Parker.
Second best collection, Mrs. Lee Mauney.
Third best collection, Miss Jane McArver.
Fourth best collection, Mrs. Morris Propst.

Chrysanthemums.

Best ten blooms.
First prize, Mrs. Caleb Parker.
Second prize, Mrs. Lee Mauney.
Best six blooms.
First Prize, Mrs. Caleb Parker.
Second prize, Mrs. Lee Mauney.
Best three blooms.
First prize, Mrs. Lee Mauney.
Second prize, Mrs. Caleb Parker.
Best single bloom.
Best white, Mrs. Lee Mauney.
Best yellow, Mrs. Caleb Parker.
Best bronze, Mrs. Oscar McArver.
Best pink, Mrs. Lee Mauney.
Best odd, Mrs. W. E. McArver.
Best pot rose.
First prize, Mrs. Ben Briggs.
Second prize, Mrs. Lee Mauney.
Third prize, Mrs. Mary Revis.
Fourth prize, Mrs. Bertha Jolly.

Retired.

Judge—"What occupation have you?"
Mose—"Well, jedge, I ain't doin' much at present—jest circulatin' round, suh."

Judge (to clerk).—"Please enter the fact that this gentleman has been retired from circulation for 60 days."
—Washington Star.

Conditional.

Jinks—"Would you marry a girl as pretty as a picture?"
Binks—"Yes, if she had a good frame.—Smart set."

It's a Fact.

"What is 'brilliant repartee'?"
"Brilliant repartee," my boy, in modern society, is snappy conversation having 17 meanings, 16 of which no lady ought to know."
—Smart Set.

Advertise in The Gazette.

WAR BULLETINS

MAY CLEAR ALL ALIENS FROM THE COAST REGION.

(By International News Service.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 6.—The possibility of a wholesale clearing of Germans from the territory near the Atlantic coast is indicated in Attorney General Gregory's comment today on published stories to the effect that an order had been issued declaring all territory within a hundred miles of the Atlantic coast barred to aliens. "No such order has been issued but the situation is under careful observation," said Mr. Gregory. He said that there was nothing to be reported on the subject at this time. It is estimated that more than a hundred thousand unaturalized Germans will be affected if the order is issued. Naval officers strongly favor the order. It is openly charged that enemy aliens on the coast are able to give tips to the German government on transports.

PROPOSE A PEACE CONFERENCE

(By International News Service.)

LONDON, Nov. 6.—Preparations for a preliminary peace conference to be held in December by the Central powers are being made, according to dispatches from Amsterdam today. The plans provide for two representatives from each of the belligerent countries, says the dispatch, this being a plan outlined by Germany.

VERKOWSKY RETIRES.

(By International News Service.)

LONDON, Nov. 6.—General Verkovsky has been relieved as war minister of Russia, according to a dispatch received today. No reason for the change in ministers has been assigned.

RUSSIANS EJECT TURKS.

(By International News Service.)

PETROGRAD, Nov. 5.—The Russians ejected the Turks from their first line trenches on the Black Sea coast in the Kalkei Teflik sector.

TO MAINTAIN "OPEN DOOR" IN CHINA.

(By International News Service.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 6.—Japan and the United States have reaffirmed their determination to preserve the "open door" in China. This decision was announced today in practically identical notes exchanged between Viscount Ishii and Secretary of State Lansing. Japan is prepared to do everything in her power to promote the suppression of Prussian militarism, and both nations have checked the feeling of suspicion which had begun to take form between the two nations. Secretary Lansing announced that it would be inexpedient at this time to make public the details of the scheme of cooperation between Japan and this country.

TEUTONS ADVANCE IN ITALY.

(By International News Service.)

ROME, Nov. 6.—The Teutons under General Von Mackensen, battling with the third Italian army, which was the last to retreat across the Tagliamento river from Udine, are now less than 40 miles from the Adriatic Sea. The Teutons under Gen. Von Bulow, after forcing passes through the Carnic Alps, are advancing from the North, where it is reported that they were meeting stubborn resistance. There are indications that General Cadorna's army has not yet reached the point where he plans to make a determined stand against the enemy. The third Italian army is being used primarily to check the advance of Von Mackensen's troops.

CROSS THE TAGLIAMENTO.

(By International News Service.)

BERLIN, Nov. 6.—(Official) The Germans crossed the Tagliamento river, taking 6,000 prisoners.

BRITISH AGAIN PUSH FORWARD.

(By International News Service.)

LONDON (Official), Nov. 6.—The British forces again drove forward early today, attacking the foe in the neighborhood of Paschendaele, making satisfactory progress.

SUFFRAGE WINS IN NEW YORK

State Gives Majority of 40,000 for "Votes for Women"—New Mexico Goes Dry; Ohio in Doubt.

The outstanding feature of the elections in the United States yesterday was the apparent assured victory for woman suffrage in New York state by a majority of approximately 40,000. While the suffragists were winning in the east, early returns from Ohio indicated defeat for them in that State.

Two States, Ohio and New Mexico, voted on prohibition. Incomplete returns from Ohio showed that the contest in that state was very close with the drys leading by a small margin. The prohibitionists evidently had carried New Mexico.

The entire republican state ticket, headed by Governor Samuel W. McCall, won an overwhelming victory in Massachusetts, while the democratic state ticket, headed by Westmoreland Davis for governor, was successful in Virginia.

HYLAN WINS BY BIG PLURALITY

(By International News Service.)

NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—With returns from all precincts in Hylan's plurality over Mitchell stands at 145,636. Final figures cannot be given until the soldier vote is counted. Today's returns indicate that colored men were elected to the New York State Assembly and the New York City Board of Aldermen for the first time. Edward Johnson seems to be the next Assemblyman from the 19th district and James Thomas Alderman from the 26th district, both in Harlem, which has a large negro population.

NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—Later returns place Hylan's plurality at 147,975.

DRYS LEADING IN OHIO ELECTION

(By International News Service.)

CLEVELAND, Nov. 7.—With about 90 per cent of all precincts reported the drys are leading by a majority of 1,260 votes, according to an unofficial tabulation.

KERENSKY PLANS DRASTIC METHODS

(By International News Service.)

PETROGRAD, Nov. 7.—Premier Kerensky is planning to use drastic methods to overcome the Maximilists, who, he claims are trying to effect a separate peace with Germany. Kerensky today asked the support of the preliminary Russian parliament in this policy.

TEUTONS PUSHING TOWARD VENICE

(By International News Service.)

ROME, Nov. 7.—It is reported from the Venetian theater of action that Teuton reinforcements bring the enemy's forces up to more than a million men, including Germans, Austrians, Bulgarians and Turks. It is believed that the City of Venice is the objective of the Teutons. General Cadorna is delaying the Piave engagement, hoping aid from the British and French. Piave is 17 miles from Venice.

SHORT LOCAL ITEMS

Mrs. Horace Whisnant, of Greensboro, was the guest Monday of Mrs. J. C. McNeely.

The local cotton market remains unchanged at 27 and 3-4 cents a pound for best short staple cotton and \$1.15 per bushel for cotton seed.

All members of Gastonia Lodge No. 188, I. O. O. F. are especially requested to be present at the regular meeting on Thursday night of this week, beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

Mr. W. Z. Ferguson has returned home from the Presbyterian hospital, Charlotte, where he recently underwent an operation for appendicitis.

On complaint from the sheriff of Catawba county R. L. Jarrett, white, was arrested here Monday and was carried to Newton yesterday by an officer who came from that county. He was out on bond and skipped.

Mrs. F. M. Howell and little daughters, Sarah and Emily, left this morning on a visit to her father, Mr. W. B. Riddle, of the Bethel section of York county. They will be away a week.

AGREEMENT REACHED WITH THE JAPANESE.

(By International News Service.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 7.—Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels today announced that a full agreement covering the co-operation of the American and Japanese fleets in the Pacific had been reached in a new conference between Washington and Tokio representatives. Mr. Daniels evinced the utmost satisfaction at the outcome of the negotiations, but refused to make public any details of the new agreement.

Mr. Thomas Sparrow leaves this afternoon for Shelbyville, Ky. where he will purchase something like \$4,000 worth of registered dairy cattle for himself and other citizens of the county. He will be joined at Asheville tomorrow by Mr. Arey, of the dairy division of the State Department of Agriculture, who goes to assist a number of the farmers of the State in making their purchases.

PATROL BOAT SUNK BY U-BOAT

Officer and Twenty Enlisted Men of American Patrol Boat Alcedo Perish at Hands of German Submarine—One Tar Heel Among Lost.

Washington, Nov. 6.—The American patrol boat Alcedo was torpedoed and sunk by a German submarine in the war zone early Monday morning and one officer and 20 enlisted men are missing. The Alcedo, a converted yacht, carried a crew of seven officers and 85 men.

The Alcedo is the first American war vessel to go down in the war. The destroyer Cassin on patrol duty was torpedoed recently, but she made port safely with the loss of only one man.

The navy department tonight issued this statement:

"The navy department has been advised by Vice Admiral Sims that at 1:30 a. m., November 5, the American patrol boat Alcedo, a converted yacht, was torpedoed and sunk by a submarine in the war zone. One officer and 20 men are missing. The ship sank in four minutes after being struck. Several vessels were searching for possible survivors at the time the report was made. The Alcedo carried a crew of seven officers and 85 men."

No details of the engagement were given in the brief dispatch announcing the yacht's loss.

The navy department announced the names of the missing. In the number was one North Carolinian, Allen T. Edwards, son of Mrs. Lydia M. Edwards, of Jackson.

JOY RIDE ENDS FATALY.

(By International News Service.)

AUGUSTA, GA., Nov. 7.—The remains of W. D. Mahoney and an unidentified woman wearing a locket inscribed W. B. C. were found crushed and burned to death under an Oldsmobile by hunters six miles out from the city early today. The machine evidently became uncontrollable and turned turtle.

BRITISH PUSHING NEARER TO CITY OF ROULIERS.

(By International News Service.)

LONDON, Nov. 7.—The British long range guns are bombarding Roulers. General Haig is consolidating the British gains. It is announced today. The British raid near Queant resulted in the capture of a number of German prisoners. Rouliers is evidently the objective of the British. It practically controls Ostend and Zeebrugge.

ITALIAN RETREAT IS WELL COVERED.

(By International News Service.)

ROME, Nov. 7.—The Italian cavalry is covering the retreat of General Cadorna's army, matching their skill against overwhelming odds. It is officially announced that the Italians have withdrawn to the Livense river in good order. It is reported that the Germans are pillaging and burning the territory from which the Italian army has retreated.

TO BE PROSECUTED FOR CONFISCATING COAL.

(By International News Service.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 7.—As a result of their action in holding up and confiscating coal destined to points on the Great Lakes, the officials of 200 cities and towns in Ohio were charged with "wholesale robbery" today by the national fuel administration. The U. S. Attorney General will be asked to prosecute municipal officials who have been guilty of this confiscation of coal.

SOME ELECTION RESULTS.

(By International News Service.)

NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—The State Assembly will continue in the control of the Republicans as a result of yesterday's election. In Pittsburg E. V. Babcock, multimillionaire, was elected mayor. The entire Republican ticket was elected in Philadelphia by slim majorities, according to unofficial returns. Prohibition is leading in Ohio by 62 votes, the result being extremely close.

SERIOUS FIRE IN LOUISVILLE.

(By International News Service.)

LOUISVILLE, Nov. 7.—Edward McCue, a fireman was fatally burned and four other persons suffered severe injuries in a fire which broke out today on the fourth floor of the Willard Hotel. The loss is estimated at \$100,000.

Bashful Pa.

Teacher—"So you are bashful?"
Sammy—"Yep, take after my father."

Teacher—"Was your father bashful?"
Sammy—"Well, ma says if pa hadn't been so bashful I'd been two years older."—Spice of Life.