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By DAVID M. CHURCH.

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NEWS OF THE COUNTY IN SOCIAL GIRCLES SHORT LOCAL ITEMS WHAT YOUR BOY LATEST FROM OUR] COBRESPONDENTS LATEST EVENTS IN WOMAN'S WORLD Christmas.

Cherryville Chat.

Correspondence of The Gazette. CHERRYVILLE, Dec. 10. - The articles of incorporation of the Gaston Knitting Mills have been receiv-

ed from the Secretary of State. Officers have been elected as follows: N. B. Kendrick, president; M. L. Mauney, vice-president; A. B. Cook, secretary and treasurer. The com-pany will begin business with a capital stock of \$10,000. The Kendrick Bros. brick building near the depot will be used and Contractor Claud A. Mauney will begin next week making repairs.

Mr. Thomas L. Stroup and Miss Beadle Vandyke were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Vandyke, in West Cherryville on last Wednesday night, December 5th, at 8:30 o'clock, Rev. B. D. Wessinger, pastor of the Luther-an church, officiating. Miss Vandyke 18 the handsome daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Vandyke and - is a young lady of excellent qualities and refinement. She is in the employ of the Kendrick Mercantile Company. Mr. Stroup is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Nash Stroup who live on the Cherryville-Bessemer City road, three mfles South of town. Mr. Stroup is in the employ of the. Hendricks-Harrelson Co. Both parties are of pleasing personalities and their many friends wish for them abundant success.

Messrs. J. M. Beam and J. S. Niell returned Friday night from Tennessee with a car load of mules and

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Brown returned Saturday from a visit to Connelly Springs and Rutherford College. Rev. D. L. Jones, pastor of the Presbyterian church preached his farewell sermon Sunday here, having accepted work near Fayetteville.

Westminster School and Cherryville played basketball on the local court Saturday evening, resulting in a score of 19 to 14 in favor of Wsetminster.

Mr. Z. V. Harrelson, of the Panhandle section, was called by telegram to Camp Jackson Sunday morn ing on account of the illness of his son, Clyde Harrelson.

Mr. Wilkie McGinnis, of the clerical force of J. M. Belk Co., Gastonia, spent Sunday here.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Black have gone to Marston to spend the winter with their daughter, Mrs. W. E. Gardner. Mr. and Mrs. Gardner

D. A. R's. TO MEET.

The D. A. * R's. will hold their monthly meeting Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock at 215 S. York street.

MUSIC CLUB WITH MRS. HOLLAND.

There will be a called meeting of the Music Club on Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock at the residence of Mrs. J. M. Holland. Members are urged to make an especial effort to be present, as matters of importance must be settled at this meeting.

MRS. F. D. BARKLEY, Pres. . .

LADIES TO HOLD BAZAAR THURSDAY.

On Thursday of this week, begin-ning at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, the Ladies' Guild of St. Mark's Episcopal church will hold their annual bazaar in the Heath building, formerly occupied by Efird's department store. Luncheon will be served during the afternoon and a turkey dinner, price 45 cents, at 6 o'clock. There will be a Japanese booth in charge of the young ladies of the Altar Guild. Home-made candies and fancy work suitable for holiday gifts will be on sale. The public is cordially invited.

WAR BULLETINS

GERMANY WAIVES HER RIGHT TO INDEMNITIES.

(By International News Service.) STOCKHOLM, Dec. 10.-Havustads Bladet publishes a story that Germany has agreed to enter peace negotiations with Russia on a basis of no indemnities.

WILL NOT CHARGE TURKS INTEREST ON WAR LOAN.

(By International News Service.) BERNE, Dec. 10.-Germany has agreed that Turkey may not pay interest on her war loan for twelve years. This concession is regarded as an effort to prevent Turkey weakening.

AMUR PROVINCE

DECLARES ITS INDEPENDENCE. (By International News Service.) TOKIO, Dec. 10.-Amur province in Siberia has declared its indendence, according to dispatches received here today. The message ville, S. C. added that there was a general up-Bolsheviki regime. Siberia proper recently declared its independence. The Amur proclamation would seem to have recalled a republic within a republic.

-Two weeks from tomorrow is

Martin Carles

-Many householders contended with frozen water pipes this morning.

-A package of sugar was sent from Gastonia to New York city one day last week.

-Mrs. J. H. Beall, of Lenoir, who has been visiting Mrs. P. R. Falls, left this morning.

-Mr. J. S. Banks, of Portsmouth, Va., is spending some time here with his sister, Mrs. S. G. Frye.

-Mr. R. Lee Jenkins, of Petersburg, Va., returned home Saturday after a visit of several days to his mother, Mrs. M. E. Jenkins.

-Mr. Lewis 'B. Gwin and family, for the past several years residents of Hickery, have moved back to Gastonia to live.

-Secretary A. O. Lloyd of the Chester, (S. C.) Chamber of Commerce was a business visitor in the city Saturday.

-County Treasurer Carl Finger who has been confined to his home on York street for the past ten days suffering from grip, is able to be out today.

-Rabbits are plentiful this season. Like everything else, however, they come high. Twenty-five cents is the prevailing price as against 15 cents last year.

-Friends of Mr. T. L. Clinton, who has been quite ill for some time, will regret to learn that his condition is quite critical. For some days he has been growing weaker.

-Yesterday and today have been the coldest days of the winter by far. The mercury Sunday morning was about 16. This morning it was 8. Last night a biting wind from the South made it unpleasant to be out. -Mrs. Walter E. Adams and two children, who have been the guests for several weeks of Mr. Adams' parents, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Adams, expect to leave tomorrow for their home at Fort Wayne, Ind.

-Lenoir News, 7th: A marriage of interest to many Lenoir folks was solemnized last Monday at King's Mountain, when Miss Mamie Sigmon, daughter of Mrs. C. M. Sigmon, formerly of this place, became the bride of Mr. M. F. Beck. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Berryhill of the Presbyterian church.

-Sgt.-Maj. Max D. Abernethy of Co. A 115th Machine Gun Battalion, stationed at Camp Sevier, Green-ville, S. C., spent Friday night and Saturday in the city with his parents, rising in Eastern Siberia against the Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Abernethy. He returned to Greenville Saturday night with the expectation of leaving this morning for Camp Kelley, San Antonio, to join the aviation section of the army. Max' many Gastonia friends were delighted to see him again. -A traveling man whose home is in Atlanta bought 25 cents worth of sugar while in Gastonia /Friday, placed it carefully in his grip and carried it back home with him. It wasn't granulated sugar, either just plain old brown sugar. He said that Atlanta was experiencing a sugar famine. A prominent Gastonia man sent a pound of sugar by parcels post Saturday to a friend in Charlotte who had written asking him to do so. -"'I hardly ever see one of those at Hopewell," said Mr. R. E. Long to The Gazette man Friday referring to a silver dollar handed him when he was paying his subscription to The Gazette. "We don't see anything much but paper money and when a fellow gets a silver dollar he usually keeps it as long as he can just to feel the coin in his pocket." Mr. Long spent last week here attending court as the plaintiff in a suit for divorce which was granted him. He has been employed for the past ten months in the Du Pont Powder Company's immense plant at Hopewell, where 13,000 men are employed. Hopewell, he says, which was one of the most notoriously bad towns in the country has been transformed into a splendid law-abiding town.

DOOLING QUITS GASTONIA AND GASTON IS DOING LATE EVENTS IN TOWN AND COUNTY

Schedule Changes

Several slight changes in the (The International News Service) A MARINE CORPS CANTON-

Southern Railway's train schedule went into effect yesterday. No. 29 now arrives at 6 a. m., No. 37 at 10:35 a. m.; No. 36 at 9:45 a. m.; MENT, Dec. 5 .- Newly enlisted ma-No. 38 at 8:25 p. m.; No. 35 at 9:35 p. m. and No. 39 at 11:15 p. m. rines are learning many arts aside from the actual use of rifle and bay

Merchants to Meet.

guns. One that is of greatest Im-On Friday night of this week, Deportance, and in which they are cember 14, at 7:30 p. m. an importdrilled continually, is that of trench ant meeting of the merchants of the building. It is called "trench buildcity will be held in the offices of the ing" advisedly, for in the new Chamber of Commerce. At this trenches there is fully as much work meeting the merchants will agree upon the date on which the new rule "Will any of the things the men forbidding the return of goods or learn here be of use in peace time, after the war is over?" a . Marine sending out on approval shall go into effect. This movement has al-

ready been endorsed by the Woman's Betterment Association.

Visited Artillery Range.

ing going on as the men are build-Lieutenant Baber, of an artillery The trenches themselves are marunit now stationed at Camp Greene, vels of workmanship. Even at this Charlotte, spent yesterday going late day, when it would be supposed over the proposed artillery range military men knew all that is to be near the city. He was accompanied by Mr. Fred M. Allen, secretary of known about trench building, fmprovements in construction methods the Chamber of Commerce, Mr. W.

constantly are being introduced." T. Rankin and Mr. A. E. Woltz, the To one who has not had a turn in trip being made in Mr. Woltz' car. the trenches, their depth is the first The artillerymen now stationed at surprise. First line trenches are Camp Greene are very desirous of getting the range established at an dug so deep that the helmet of the tallest man is at least two feet beearly date, and Lieutenant Baber's low the surface line. At the front visit is considered as having some of the trench are two steps. It is on bearing upon an early decision in these the men stand when fighting is the matter. in progress. With one foot on the

Arrival of Mails.

step, the average man can just see Postmaster John R. Rankin reover the top of the trench to take quests us to give notice that /a new aim at the enemy. Except when the men are preparing to go "over the schedule for the arrival and departtop" there is little firing from the ure of mails went into effect yester-In each case the mail for a trenches by infantrymen. Men with day. train is closed at the postoffice 30 periscopes constantly are on watch. minutes before the arrival of the When one of the enemy is seen extrain. The new schedule is as fol-lows: Southbound, No. 29 arrives posing himself above the trench the word is given to an infantry sharpat 6 a .m.; No. 37 at 10:35 a. m.; shooter, who pops his head above No. 35 at 9:35 p. m. and No. 9 at the trench and takes quick aim and 4:42 p. m. Northbound train No. 10 arrives at 9:14 a. m.; No. 36 at The action must be quick, for 9:45 a. m.; No. 46 at 12:45 p. m.; there is a man with a periscope over

No. 12 at 4:50 p. m.; No. 38 at 8:in the enemy trench, ready to give the word to another sharpshooter 25 p. m.; No. 30 at 11:15 p. m. the instant the first sharpshooter's

New Baker's Bread. head appears. It was the fearful

The attention of the housewives losses among the sharpshooters earof Gastonia is called to an article aply in the war that led the French pearing elsewhere in today's Gaand British armies to adopt the steel zette relative to the new size loaf that of bread which the bakers are putting out, commencing today. The trenches are built in straight lines is

(By International News Service.) CONCORD, Dec. 10 .- Zest is gone from the Means trial. Apparently despairing of conviction Attorney Dooling dropped from the case this morning, turning the defendant over to Solicitor Clement. After to mmutes of half-hearted cross-examination the prosecution concluded its direct questioning, and guided by his own lawyer Means began his re-direct testimony, which was calculated by his own lawyer to repair the holes made by the prosecution. Judge Cline made a speech from the bench deploring the apparent sectional feeling and compelled members of the Means family to take rear seats at the bar.

RUSSIA ON VERGE OF CIVIL WAR

(By International News Service.) COPENHAGEN, Dec. 10 .- Civil war in Russia may end the peace negotiations between Russia and Germany with Generals Kalendines and Korniloff as the leading spirits in the fight against the Bolsheviki. These men have announced that they would carry the war against. Germany to a victorious end. The Bolsheviki leaders are mustering forces to combat the Cossacks under Generals Korniloff and Kalendines and it is reported that Lenine has secretly been offered aid by Germany.

BLIZZARD RAGING IN THE EAST

(By International News Service.) NEW YORK, Dec. 10 .- The entire eastern section of the United States is in the grip of a blizzard today. There is much suffering at Lexington, Ky., owing to the short suppl of fuel. Cleveland, Ohio, reports 8 dead as a result of the cold and tie-up of the railroads. The thermometer stands at zero in Detroit and there is a deep snow at Louisville. Two are dead at Indianapolis. It is 14 above at Atlanta, with colder weather predicted for tonight. The freeze will extend to lower Florida.

formerly lived here.

York and Yorkville.

The Enquirer, 7th.

William Anderson Huey and John Dozier of Rock Hill, both located at Camp Sevier, have been appointed to lieutenancies.

Bethel township people are agitating the question of building a bridge over the Catawba river at Wright's Ferry. They have a promise of very liberal support from the Mecklenburg side of the river.

Automobilists are complaining of picking up tacks on the North and South road between Clover and Gastonia, and the thing is of such frequent occurrence as to suggest syste-matic maliciousness on the part of certain persons unknown. If suspicions are correct and the guilty parties are detected, the joke will turn out to be anything else than funny

Callie Plaxco, son of J .B. Plaxco, of Yorkville and Wallace Marshall, son of Mrs. W. F. Marshall, also of Yorkville, both members of the American corps of engineers, have reported their safe arrival in France to their respective parents. Neither of the boys was permitted to write a great deal; but both claimed to have a good time on the transport going over, and both expressed themselves as pleased at being in France.

Lieutenant Glenn Allison of the medical reserve corps, has been spending a few days in Yorkville on visit to his mother, Mrs. Nannte G. Allison. Before volunteering his services in the medical reserve corps, Lieutenant Allison was asso-ciated with Dr. Lewis Gregory of New York, the most eminent X-ray specialist in the United States, if not in the world, at quite a handsome salary, amounting to several times the pay he can hope for in his present capacity. He does not know when he will go to France; but is looking for orders at any moment.

EXPLOSIVES LICENSING AGENT.

Clerk C. C. Cornwell Appointed by the Government to Issue Licenses For Explosives in the County.

Mr. C. C. Cornwell, clerk of Gaston Superior Court, received notice last week from Director Van H. Manning, of the Bureau of Mines, rtment of the Interior, that he had been appointed Explosives Licensing Agent of the Government for Gaston county. The appointment dates from November 28th. Under a recent act of Congress there are seven classes of licenses issued in tion with the sale and use of explosives, as follows: Vendor's purchaser's, foreman's, analyst's, educator's, inventor's and investigator's. A fee of 25 cents is charged for the issuing of a license, and a record must be kept showing all sales of explosives of any kind.

FORMER GERMAN MINISTER ILL IN HOSPITAL.

(By International News Service.) BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 10 .- Count Luxburg, the former German minis-ter to Argentine, is ill at the German hospital here, it became known today. His condition is serious.

NEW YORK DRAFT MEN

MAKE DEBUT ON STAGE. (By International News Service.) NEW YORK, Dec. 8.-Relatives of New York's drafted men will have an opportunity tomorrow to learn exactly what the boys are doing while in training at the great National Army cantonment, Camp Upton, Yaphank, L. I. Some 280 of the National Army men will present on the Hippodrome stage a sketch. "A Day at Camp Upton," showing everything in detail from reveille to taps. Bayonet practice, bomb-throw-ing, trench digging and all that goes to make up a soldier's life while in training for service in France will be faithfully portrayed. The proceeds will go to erect a large drill hall at Camp Upton which may be used on rainy days.

ANTI-SALOON LEAGUERS

MEET IN WASHINGTON. (By International News Service.)*

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10 .- Just at the psychological moment, so to speak, when Congress is considering the bill to submit the prohibition question to the people for their vote a nonster delegation of "personal petitions" came freighting into petitions" came freighting into Washington today from old Kansas to attend the annual convention of the Anti-Saloon League of America.

The Business Men's Prohibition Special left Topeka on December 5, containing a royal Kansas delegation, if the reports from the -Anti-Saloon League of Kansas are to be taken as a criterion. Anyhow, it pulled in here hot and hefty with grape juice just cozing from the seams. Kansas wants to be at the killing; Old Man Barleycorn is up against a picket fence, and Kansas wants the honor of administering the coup de grace. The National convention of the Anti-Saloon beague of America will be in session here today, tomorrow and

Wednesday.

BOY AUTO BANDITS

BOY AUTO BANDITS MAKE A BIG HAUL. (By international News Service.) DETROIT; Dec. 10.—Four boy bandits today held up the cashier of the C. F. Smith chain of grocery stores and escaped with \$5,000.

A force of 52 persons has been sent to France by the Treasury De-partment to audit the accounts' of the Army there.

DEATHS

ROBERT STONE.

Robert Stone, aged 78 and a Confederate veteran, died Saturday night at the City Hospital following an illness of sometime. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of a grandson in West Gastonia with whom he made his home. Rev. G. P. Abernethy conducted the service. The body was taken to Mount Holly for burial. He is survived by a son and daughter.

Deceased was a native of Gaston county and had spent practically all of his life here. For several years st he had lived in Gastonia. He died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. H. M. McDonald, at the Loray Mill. He was a member of Compa-ny B, 28th Regiment, Lane's brigade and Gen. A. P. Hill's corps: Captain Edwards was at the head of his company. He was a member of the East Baptist church and was a loyal and consistent Christian., During his last illness he was the recipient of many kindnesses and never failed to show his keen appreciation of these tokens from friends.

altogether wrong. They ziz-zag at the most outlandish angles. This method of construction is used to prevent enemy airmen getting accurate ideas of the exact positions. The communicating trenches that lead back from the first line cannot be traversed without a guide. In a deserted trench one might wander a full day without finding his way out.

helmet for their infantrymen.

The popular conception

All trenches have low platforms built in the bottom to allow free flow for the water that always gathers there. Frequently these platforms are too low to hold the men above the water and they fight in It

up to their knees or their waists. To keep the trenches from caving in under the impact of sheels on either side or because of the natural

crumbling of the earth, each side is lined with a sort of lathing of fagots. Until very recently this supporting work was done inside the trench itself. Now large frames are built and the fagots woven in. Then the frame is lowered like a theatrical flat into the trench and fastened to the side. Hundreds of soldiers were buried alive in the trenches before this system of supporting the sides of the trenches was evolved.

Lincoln Locals.

The News, 7th.

Gunner Wm. Hoffman, of the U. S. Ship, Oklahoma, who has been visiting his home in this city for several days, has returned to Philadelphia to join his command. He recently enjoyed two furloughs nome, and it was generally understood that when he returned he would be in active service.

According to report many farmers in this county were compelled on account of labor shortage to allow a portion of crops to go to waste in the fields. Some have offered half of the late crop as pay to those who would gather, others have even given all if some one would only come and save, the food or cotton, all of which 18 worth saving.

Mr. Milton Tiddy, former editor of The News, and who has been in the automobile repair business in Asheville, for the past few years, has moved to Tarpon, Florida, where he "The has purchased a newspaper, Progressive," and is now in charge of his new property. Lincolnton friends will wish for him success in his new business. Tarpon is a town about the size of Lincolnton.

Prof. Memry L. Baker, who has been in Virginia for the past pine months as assistant manager of Russell Bros. circus, has returned home to spend the winter with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Baker of near Crouse.

Mayor Love and son, Capt Love, Mayor Love and son, Capt Love, of this city, and Mr. Clyde McLean, of Gastonia, left yesterday for At-lanta, by auto, to visit, Mr. Frank Love, who is a member of the Breni-zer hospital unit, stationed at Fort McPherson, Mr. Love received a message yesterday stating that his son would leave Saturday for New York, and thence perhaps to France.

new loaf weighs 16 ounces, when 12 hours old, and retails for 10 cents, thus giving the consumer more bread than before for the same money. The government now regulates strictly every phase of the baking business and the article referred to goes into details with reference to the formula provided by the government, the conditions under which the bread is to be made and sold, etc. 'Every housewife should read this article in order to become

familiar with the new bread situa-

Mr. Durham Appointed.

tion.

Mr. S. J. Durham, of the Gastonia bar, has been appointed county chairman for Gaston county of the big Red Cross Christmas membership Drive. This campaign is to start next Sunday, December 16, and its object 🍻 to increase the membership of the American National Red Cross Society by ten millions before Christmas Day. The American Red Cross has a membership of five millions, but needs fifteen millions in order to carry out the great work which is to be done for the comfort and safety of our fighting men. The annual membership fee is only one dollar, while an annual fee of \$2 pays for a Magazine or subscribing membership. It is pointed out that membership in the Red Cross is service of the Nation, and those who cannot serve in

joining the Red Cross. Patriotic Talks to Colored People. At Mount Calvary Baptist church yesterday afternoon Mr. O. F. Ma-

the trenches can serve at home by

son, of the local bar, delivered a splendid patriotic address to the colored people of the town. During the week a series of meetings had been held in this church in honor of the colored youths who are soon to go to war and those who have already gone. Mr. Mason presented in a most forceful manner the seri-

ousness of the present situation as regards this country and the duty which devolves upon the negroes as well as upon the whites to fight for the preservation of freedom and dea mocracy. He also stressed the duty which rests upon those who remain at home to save and do everything they can to help take care of the boys in the trenches. Following Mr. Mason, Mayor Dixon and Col. C. B. Armstrong both made patriotic talks, all of which were apparently highly appreciated by the colored

TODAY'S COTTON MARKET.

people

(By International News Service.) NEW YORK, Dec. 10 .- The cot-

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STRUGGLE SHIFTS TO WESTERN FRONT

(By International News Service.) WASHINGTON, Dec. 10. - Only 'skeleton divisions" of Germans are now on the Russian front. All Germany's veteran soldiers are now being concentrated on the Western front. Secretary Baker states today, in his Weekly Review, that the British have consolidated their lines, however, and can be expected to withstand any new assaults. The territory recaptured by the Germans around Cambrai is less than onethird of that taken by Gen. Byng. The Germans were disappointed in their expectation to break through the British lines. Germany is taking full advantage of the opportunity to strike in France and Itary while troops can be withdrawn from the Russian front, states Secretary Baker. This necessitates a shifting of the American program.

BRITISH AT CAMBRAI RETIRE TWO MILES.

(By International News Service.) LONDON, Dec. 8.-A re-align-ment of the British forces on the Cambrai front has placed them five miles from that town, the war office announced at noon. This is a retirement of about two miles from the furthest point reached by Gen.

Byng. Infantry fighting continues.

TWO AMERICANS

WERE SLIGHTLY INJURED.

(By International News Service.) AMERICAN HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, Dec. 8 .- Out of gratitude to the United States Belgium has given her 600 remaining locomotives to Gen. Pershing. Two Amer-ican aeropiane mechanicians were slightly wounded when the Garnans dropped bombs on a certain village.

The Gazette goes all over G and then some. Only the week paper in the State. Two d the year, and cheap at that,