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## MR. T. L. CLINTON PASSES IN SOCIAL CIRCLES NO MORE DOGS AFTER 1

### WAS VALIANT CONFEDERATE VETERAN

Well-Known Citizen Died Yesterday Afternoon Following Illness of Three Months—Death Was Due to Stroke of Paralysis-Funeral and Burial This Afternoon - Did Splendid Service for South During Late War-Sketch of His War Record-A Citizen of Sterling

Mr. Thaddeus L. Clinton, one of Gastonia's best-known citizens and a prominent Confederate veteran, died at his home on West Franklin avenue at 4:55 o'clock yesterday afternoon following an illness covering a period of about three months. Towards the end of September he suffered an attack of heart trouble and shortly thereafter was stricken with paralysis. A few weeks later he suf-fered a second stroke of paralysis and a third stroke Sunday night rendered him unconscious and he grew steadily worse until the end came. Until the fatal attack of Sunday night Mr. Clinton though practically helpless and confined to his bed retained his mental faculties and enjoyed the companionship of friends.

Funeral services are being held at the home this afternoon, three o'clock being the hour. His pastor, Rev. J. H. Henderlite, of the First Presbyterian church, will officiate. assisted by Rev. W. C. Barrett, pastor of the First Baptist church and Rev. Dr. J. C. Galloway, pastor of the First Associate Reformed Presbyterian church.

A native of the Point section of York county, South Carolina, Mr. Clinton moved to Gastonia about 25 years ago and had resided here continuously since. He is survived by his sister. Miss Mary Clinton, who made her home with him; one brother, Mr. S. J. Clinton, of Clover, and two sons, Lieut. Roland S. Clinton, of the Medical Reserve Corps, attached to Evacuation Hospital No. 4 Ft. Oglethorpe, Ga., and Mr. Foster S. G. Clinton, of Gastonia. His wife, who was Miss Clarice I. Smith, died November 29, 1889. Mr. Clinton was 75 years old, having been born January 19, 1843.

Deceased was a loyal and consistent member of the Presbyterian church. For many years he was a member at New Hope church but moved his membership to the First church, Gastonia, when he came here to live.

The pall-bearers are B. T. Morris. D. R. LaFar, J. D. B. McLean, W. Y. Warren, L. F. Groves and J. Lee

Mr. Clinton was a brave Confederate veteran and did valiant service for the South during the War Between the States. The following sketch of his war record, taken from D. H. Hill's Confederate Military History, is of especial interest:

Thaddeus L. Clinton, of Gastonia, N. C., was born in York county, S. C., the son of Robert A. Clinton. a native of that State. His greatgrandfather Peter Clinton was a captain in the patriot army of the Revolution. He was a resident of Gaston county at the beginning of the Confederate era, and in April. 1861, enlisted in the first company from that county. At Garysburg, this was assigned to the Twentythird North Carolina Regiment as Company H. He accompanied his regiment to Virginia, was in camp at Manassas Junction until the spring of 1862, and participated in the defense of Yorktown and the retreat to Richmond. He fought at Seven Pines, and in the Seven Days' campaign under Robert B. Lee, during which he was under fire every day. was an active participant in the battles of Mechanicsville and Malvern Hill. His brigade, commanded by Gen. Samuel Garland, in the division of D. H. Hill, was conspicuous in the bloody struggle before Richmond and won new honors in the Maryland campaign, where Private Clinton was one of the little band of heroes who held South Mountain against the army of McClellan and fought against enormous odds. the December battle of Fredericksburg his regiment was held in reserve, but at Chancellorsville, in the

early May days of 1863, he was in the heat of battle and suffered a severe wound in the left leg, which necessitated its amputation on the field. Thus terribly crippled, he was carried to a hospital at Richmond and subsequently was honorably discharged. During his service he gained promotion to the rank of corporal. After his return to North Carolina he worked as a shoemaker for 10 or 12 years, afterward conducted a store until 1893, and is also a farmer. He was married in 1890 to Clarice I. Smith, and they have two children, Roland Smith and Foster S. G. Clinton.

Last July, shortly before his final illness, Mr. Clinton dictated an account of his experiences during the war to a member of the Gastonia Chapter United Daughters of the Confederacy and this sketch in full will appear in Friday's Gazette.

A man of sterling worth, Mr. Clin-ton had, through a long and useful life, won for himself a large number of friends here and elsewhere to whom his death brings great sorrow.

#### DENIES THAT PERSHING IS TO BE RECALLED.

(By International News Service.) WASHINGTON, Dec. 12. - Secretary Baker emphatically denied to-day that Gen. Pershing is slated to become Chief of Staff in Washington and be succeeded in France by Gen. Thomas Barry.

# LATEST EVENTS IN WOMAN'S WORLD

### BOX SUPPER

FRIDAY NIGHT.

There will be a box supper at New Hope schoolhouse on Friday evening, December 14, at 7:,30 o'clock. Everyone is invited to come and bring a box. The proceeds will be for the benefit of the school.

#### TO MEET FRIDAY WITH MRS. FALLS.

The regular meeting of William Gaston Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, will be held on Friday afternoon of this week, December 14th, beginning at three o'clock, with Mrs. P. R. Falls at her residence, 215 South York street.

#### MISSION STUDY CLASS WITH MRS. W. C. DAVIS.

Monday afternoon the Mission Study Class of Main Street Methodist church held its regular meeting with Mrs. W. C. Davis at her home on South Broad street. Following the study of the lesson the hostess served light refreshments. The attendance at this meeting was good and the occasion a most delightful

#### MUNICIPAL CHRISTMAS TREE.

Gastonia is to again have a municipal Christmas tree, with the attendant exercises and music. affair will be in charge of the Music Club, with the active co-operation of the Chamber of Commerce and the Woman's Betterment Association. A full program of the exercises, which are to be held on Christmas eve, will be published in Friday's Gazette.

#### DINNER FOR LIEUT. AND MRS. CALDWELL,

Mrs. Robert A. Love was hostess Friday to a small number of friends at a dinner in honor of her brotherin-law, Lieut. Byron Caldwell and Mrs. Caldwell, who were her house guests for several days last week. Lieut. Caldwell is stationed at Ft. Oglethorpe, Ga. He returned Saturday to his post of duty and Mrs. Caldwell returned to her home at Cliffside. Mrs. Love's guests were Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Glenn, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Love and Mrs. C. K. Marshall.

#### GASTONIA GIRL IS HONORED.

A Gastonia girl, Miss Ethelda January 1, 1918. Armstrong, daughter of Col. and Mrs. C. B. Armstrong, forms the central figure in the colored cover of Everywoman's Magazine for September-October, just from the press. She is shown in basketball costume. holding aloft the ball on which appear the figures "'17." The picture is full length and the backgroundthe college building, trees, lawn, etc.-affords an attractive background. Miss Armstrong is one of Gastonia's most beautiful and charming young ladies and Everywoman's could not have found a more attractive and appropriate subject for "cover girl." Miss Armstrong is a student at Converse College, Spartanburg, S. C., where she is deservedly popular.

This issue contains an interesting article by Mrs. S. A. Robinson, of this city, on "How the Gastonia Woman's Betterment Association Served a Luncheon to Three Hundred and Fifty Men." This magazine, published at Raleigh, is a publication which is steadily winning favor with the women of North Carolina.

#### WERE MARRIED IN ATLANTA.

The many Gastonia friends of Mr. Thomas C. Abernethy, a son of ex-Sheriff and Mrs. W. Clay Abernethy, of Gastonia, will be interested in the following from the Lincolnton correspondence of yesterday's Charlotte Observer under date of

Dr. and Mrs. L. A. Crowell, of this city, announce the marriage of their daughter, Miss Mary Beatrice Crowell, to Mr. Thomas Clay Abernethy, in Atlanta, Saturday afternoon, December 8, at 1 o'clock.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Fansburn, a Methodist preacher of Atlanta.

The groom was unable to secure furlough for the marriage and the bride had gone to Atlanta for the ceremony, where she was met Mr. Abernethy and her brother. Mr. Gordon Crowell, who is in camp at

Fort McPherson. The above marriage was quite surprise to the numerous friends of both the bride and groom, who are among Lincolnton's most popular young people. The bride is the eldest daughter of Dr. and Mrs. L. A. Crowell, and is a pretty and accomplished young lady. She was educated at Fassifern, Greensboro College for Women and Queens College. The groom is a promising young business man, who recently resigned his position with a bank to serve his country, and is now with the Brenizer hospital unit at Atlanta,

and expects to leave soon for France Mrs. Abernethy will remain in Atlanta with her husband until he leaves for New York. She will then go to New York to see Mr. Aberne-thy off for France.

### TODAY'S COTTON MARKET.

(By International News Service.)
NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The cotton market opened with January contracts selling at 29.50; May 29.—

# CANT RUN LOOSE EVEN WITH MUZZLES

City Council Takes Drastic Measures to Rid City of Worthless and Menacing Canines-Also Puts Ban on Roller Skating - Violators of Speed Laws to Be Swatted Also-Police Department to Put the Lid on and Enforce Sunday Blue Laws

—Force May be Enlarged.

Dogs, speed-fiends and rollerskaters were all put under the ban by the city council at its regular monthly meeting for December held last night. Following a lengthy discussion of these three subjects ordinances were passed forbidding roller skating on any street or sidewalk within the city limits and making it a misdemeanor for any dog owner to let his dog off his premises unless the canine is led by a chain. The ordinance allowings dogs to run at large, provided they were properly muzzled, was rescinded and the new ordinance replaces it. Both of these ordinances become effective January 1st. There is already a speed law on the books and this is to be enforced more strictly than ever before. Chief of Police Carroll also authorizes the statement that the department, beginning at once, will enforce to the letter the Sunday 'blue laws" which, he says, have been persistently violated by restaurant keepers, drug stores and others. Following is the new

#### Dog Ordinance.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Gastonia do Ordain and En-

Section 1. That it shall be unlawful for the owner of any dog to permit the same to be off such owner's premises, at any time, within the corporate limits of the City of Gastonia unless such dog shall be securely tied or haltered and is being led by the owner of such dog, or by some person over 16 years of age who shall be acting under and by the permission and authority of such

owner. Sec. 2. Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be subject to and pay a penalty of five dollars.

Sec. 3. The ordinance requiring dogs to be muzzled within the City limits of Gastonia, and all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect on and after

### Following is the new

Roller-Skating Ordinance. The Board of Aldermen at the city of Gastonia do ordain and en-

Sec. 1. That it shall be unlawful for any person to skate upon roller skates, or otherwise, upon the streets or side walks within the corporate limits of the City of Gas-

Sec. 2. Any person who shall violate the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be subject to and pay a penalty of five dollars.

Sec. 3. All ordinances or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect on and after January 1st, 1918.

Definite plans for working out an effective system for enforcing these ordinances have not as yet been completed but the council and the police department are both working on the matter and expect to have sufficient machinery by the first of January to enforce these regulations. It is probable that a special dog policeman will be put on and also a special traffic policeman. It is stated at the city hall that the police force of the city is smaller by two men than it was five years ago while the city has grown to much larger proportions in that period of time.

Chief Carroll is expecting the cooperation of the public in the enforcement of these laws. They are made for the benefit of the public and the public should be sufficiently interested in their enforcement to assist the officers in finding and punishing violators.

A number of minor matters came before the board such as complaints from taxpayers as to erroneous charges on the tax books, etc.

Supt. Wray of the city schools asked the board to place some conspicuous safety signs at dangerous street crossings in the vicinity of the Central school as a protection to the hundreds of school children who so there. The matter was referred to the street committee with power to

act. A committee composed of Alder-men Patrick, Winget and McEntire was appointed to make a thorough investigation of gas charges in other cities in order that the board may be enabled to act intelligently the request, recently presented by the local gas company for permission to raise the price of gas.

An ordinance was passed requir-ing that all water bills must be paid by the 10th of each month, the date on which light bills must be paid. Heretofore the date has been

City Physician J. A. Anderson submitted his report for the month of November which was accepted. It showed the health of the city to be satisfactory with only a few scattering cases of contagious dis-eases, such as measles, scarlet fever, whooping cough, etc.

# OF BAD CIVIL WAR

(By International News Service.)

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 12 .- Severe loss of life attended the first clash between the Bolsheviki and the Cossacks South of Moscow, according to advices received here today. Machine guns were used on both sides with telling effect. The Bolsheviki claim a victory. Despite this claim Lenine and Trotzky widely fear that power may be wrested from them and are now hinting that the German peace terms are unacceptable. The constituent assembly has met at Petrograd, but there is no inkling of what business was transacted

## MAY NAME BRANDEIS RAILROAD DICTATOR

(By International News Service.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12. - The President is understood to have decided on Supreme Court Justice Louis D. Brandels for railroad dictator. Brandels has made a close study of the transportation system. He was a pioneer in advocating government

## **ALCOHOLIC CONTENTS** TO BE CURTAILED

(By International News Service.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11. - The alcoholic contents of all malt liquors excepting ale and porter was today ordered reduced to two and three-quarter per cent in a proclation issued by the President. The order becomes effective January 1. The use of foodstuffs, fruits and seeds in the manufacture of liquor will be materially curtailed.

Under the President's proclamation brewers must curtail their output 30 per cent and follow other regulations to be laid down by the Government.

## WAR-MAKING **MACHINES**

By DAVID M. CHURCH

(Written for the International News Service.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6. - The second line of every army is the artillery. In the present war heavy artillery has made almost obsolete the field artillery of former days. There are no more gallant charges, with snorting horses drawing light cannon and caissons amid bursting shells. Artillery today is too heavy for horses. It is moved either by railway trains or motor tractors.

American boys in the artillery will find themselves dealing with bigger guns than they have ever dreamed of. Life in the artillery is no sinecure, but it has the disadvantage of plenty of action with no apparent results. All day long the heavy guns are drawn up several miles behind the front, and they are banging away at objects out of their sight. The artilleryman never sees in modern warfare his mark. He fires by mathematical calculation at some object which an observer has reported.

Artillerymen are more apt to be trained men than other branches of the service. Men schooled in mathematics are sought most eagerly. The work of the enlisted artilleryman is not as diversified as that of his brother the infantryman. His work is the incessant firing of his gun and the constant handling of ammuni-

Aviators, balloon observers and outposts report to the commanding officer of each artillery battery spots which should become targets. The report is couched in technical terms, and the range is found by mathematical calculation. As a gun fires an observer watches its effects and communicates back to the commanding officer the results. The men behind the guns never see the damage done by the shells which they handle.

Under present conditions the artillery are used to clear the way for an infantry charge. Constant hammering of the heavy guns for days is purposed to tear down the enemies defenses and make the infantry charge easier. When the signal for the infantry charge is given, then the artillery must protect the chargers with a curtain of steel, known as a barrage. The barrage must lift with exact timing as the charging men reach the enemy trenches of the artillery will be shelling its own

Enlisted artillerymen have heavy work. The shifting of the guns and ammunition is strenuous. However, they have the compensation of comparative safety, especially so now that the German aviators are rarely flying over the allied trenches to spot artillery.

Artillerymen are designated by a crimson red cord about their hats. Their collar insignia is two crossed cannons. They wear leather puttees, since they come in the classification of mounted men.

## 13 NEGRO RIOTERS DIE

SHOT UP HOUSTON; TEX. LAST AUGUST

Members of Negro Regiment Executed at San Antonio, Tex., Before Court Martial's Verdict Was Made Public-Forty-One Others Given Life Sentences and Others Shorter Terms in Prison.

(By International News Service.) SAN ANTONIO, TEX., Dec. 11. -Without any previous announcement to indicate a decision on the part of the military authorities, 13 ring leaders among the negro soldiers who recently killed 17 persons at Fort Sam Houston were hanged at Fort Sam Houston today. The negroes were members of the twenty-fourth infantry and were among 63 tried by court martial for mutiny and murder. Besides the 13 hung, 41 were sentenced to life imprisonment, three to two years imprisonment, one to two and half years, and five were acquitted.

#### Details of Executions.

San Antonio, Texas, Dec. 11. 'Good-bye, boys of Company C," were the last words uttered by the condemned men of the 24th United States infantry as the traps were sprung and they dropped to their death on the scaffold.

Men of Company C, 19th Infantry, have been guarding the negro prisoners since they were brought to San Antonio to stand trial before a court martial for complicity in the riot at Houston on August 23 last.

The execution took place about two miles east of Camp Travis on a scaffold which had been erected during the night.

A column of 125 cavalrymen and 100 infantry soldiers assembled at the cavalry guard house where the negroes were confined, at 5:30 o'clock this morning. Trucks conveyed the prisoners to the scene of the execution. The guard assembled in hollow square formation around the scaffold and the prisoners were given the order to march to execu-

Without a tremor they stepped our with soldierly tread and singing a hymn walked to their places. Prayers were said by a negro minister and by two army chaplains and then the men were ordered to stand on the traps. Resuming their song they stood erect and displayed fortitude while their ropes were adjusted.

At 7:17 a major gave the order to spring the traps. The triggers hind the dummy holding the pole had been arranged for each drop, and attempting to ward off the and six men were assigned to each. At the word of command they pulled on the triggers and the thirteen dropped to their deaths.

### NEWS FROM ALEXIS.

Correspondence of The Gazette. ALEXIS, Dec. 10.-Rev. W. Wrimer, of Lincolnton, filled his appointment here at the Baptist church

The Sunday school of the Baptist church is planning to give a Christmas program and a Christmas tree during the holidays. Messrs. Eural and Webb Clip-

pard, who are employed at Camp Greene, spent Sunday at home. Mr. Fred Ballard, a soldier from Camp Greene, spent Sunday

is parents here. Mr. Jesse Ballard was a visitor here Sunday.

Mr. Lewis Ballard spent a short time here Sunday. Prof. D. T. Ferrell spent Saturday

and Sunday in Gastonia. Miss Virginia Moore, principal of

Zion school, spent the week-end with relatives and friends nere. Miss Carrie Emma Stroup, princi-

pal of Rutledge school, spent Satur day and Sunday at home here. Miss Edna Black spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives at Lucia.

Mr. C. B. Stroup spent Saturday in Stanley on business. Mr. S. L. McAlister spent a short time in Stanley Monday on business.

Prof. D. T. Ferrell spent a short while in Stanley today. Friday night, December 14, the

Antonion Literary Society of Alexis is to debate the following question: 'Resloved, That country life offers more opportunities for the advancement of boys than city life." erybody is invited to attend these

Friday afternoon, Dec. 14th, the Alexis school will give the North Carolina Day program as outlined by Dr. J. Y. Joyner. All patrons of the school are invited to attend.

#### SANTA WILL VISIT FRENCH WAR ORPHANS.

(By International News Service.) WITH AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE. Dec. 12.—All French children in this district, including 600 war orphans, will be visited by Santa Claus because a little Southern girl sent Daddy some colored pictures she had made with the request that he give them to war orphans for Christmas. The American showed the letter to his brother officers and their hearts were touched. Four thousand dollars was collected for Santa.

#### PERSHING REPORTS MORE AMERICAN CASUAL/TIES.

(By International News Service.) WASHINGTON, Dec. 12-Deaths

of three enlisted men and the wound ing of Lieut. Edgar Young, of the medical corps, were reported today by Gen. Pershing. Young was with the British infantry.

## WHAT YOUR BOY

By DAVID M. CHURCH. (The International News Service)

A MARINE CORPS CANTONMENT Dec. 7 .- Front line trenches, exact reproductions of those in Northern France, have been constructed by the marines in training here. They cover nearly a square mile of territory, three quarters of a mile distant from the cantonment. Until one is upon them the only evidence of their presence is a low rise in the

ground at irregular intervals. These rises, not over three or four inches in height, are machine gun emplacements. The machine gun is raised just above the level of the trench and above it there is a roof covered with heavy sand bags. The sand-bagged roof makes the shelter proof against hand grenades and shrapnel, but is ineffective a gainst artillery shells or aerial

bombs. The machine gun's muzzle peep out from a very small hole. It can be operated only in a straight line when in use in the trench. In front of the emplacement there is a netting of wire spread over the ground and this is covered with canvas, over which is laid a layer of branches and dirt. The purpose of this covering is to prevent shrapnel kicking up dirt that would clog the aperture through which the machine

gun throws its deadly fire. In the latest machine gun shelters there is a small door of woven fag-ots operated by a wire in the hands of one of the machine gun crew. This door is raised only when the gun is brought into play and lowered immediately thereafter. The machine gun crew lives in close quarters, but is fairly comfortable compared with the state of the infautryman who holds the section of the trench between machine gun emplacements. The machine gun fighter at least has a shelter over his

head. The infantry man has none. Like the infantryman, the machine gun operator is trained to the use of the bayonet. In the pit longside the machine gun emplacement there usually is hung a dummy made of branches of trees. It is swung from two heavy sticks laid across the top of the trench. Through the middle of it there runs a long pole, the end of which is thickly padded. When fighting is at a standstill bayonet practice goes on in the trenches. One man stands bestrokes of the soldier armed with a bayonet on the other side.

Many of the marines frankly confess that they have no taste for cold steel. "I'm like a Dutchman in that respect," said one non-commissioned officer, "I don't like fire or steel. A great many of us feel that way about it, but we're all ready to face it when the time comes.

U. C. CLUB MET WITH MRS. DURHAM.

A delightful meeting of the U. C. Club was held Thursday afternoon with Mrs. S. J. Durham at her lovely home, Mount Calm, in Bessemer City. An interesting program was enjoyed. After a pleasant social hour, the guests were invited into the dining room, where refreshments were served in two courses. Christmas decorations were used. The guests of the club were Miss Mamie Cabaniss, of Shelby, and Miss Martha Latimer, of Richmond.

TOWEL SHOWER FOR MRS. W. H. ADAMS.

Mrs. W. F. Michael entertained delightfully yesterday afternoon at her home on East Third avenue with a towel shower in honor of Mrs. W. H. Adams, a recent bride. Progressive trail was played at five tables. After the game the guests were invited into the dining room where the guest of honor was presented with a laundry bag full of towels, gifts from the guests. A salad course with coffee was served.

#### ITALY HAS GAINED SUPREMACY IN THE AIR.

(By International News Service.) ROME, Dec. 12.-Assisted by the British front aviators, Italy has gained the supremacy in the air and the Austro-German positions are sub jected to a constant bombardment from aeroplanes. Artillery action continues to rage along the entire front. The Austrian attempt to force a crossing of the Piave at Delta utterly failed.

YESTERDAY'S FIGHTING

WAS ONLY LOCAL. (By International News Service.) LONDON, Dec. 12 .- The Germans last night made a local attack North of Lavaquerie but were repulsed. The British raided trenches West of St. Quentin capturing a few prison-

CARLISLE, KENTUCKY,

A COLD PLACE TODAY. (By International News Service.) LEXINGTON, Dec. 12.—Carliste Ky., is the coldest place in the East today with the thermometer 30 below zero.

HOUSE COMMPTTEE FAVORABLE TO PROHIBITION. (By International News Service) WASHINGTON, Dec. 11. - The House committee this afternoon v ed to report favorably on the natual prohibition amendment. The atthony suffrage amendment was thony suffrage amendment ported without recommendation.