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GASTONIA, N. C. FRIDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 17, 1918.

\$2.00 A YEAR IN ADVANCE.

LOCAL COMMITTEE FOR RED CROSS CAMPAIGN

Mr. J. Lawrence Beal has accepted the chairmanship of the Gastonia steering committee for the Red Cross drive next week.

GASTONIA CITY COMMITTEES.

- Ward 1: J. L. Beal, chairman, G. W. Smith, W. E. Todd, W. Y. Warren. Ward 2: G. R. Spencer, chairman, W. F. Pearson, J. M. Shuford, W. M. Morris, Crown W. Wilson.

POSTOFFICE BOOTH.

Under the direction of a committee of young ladies, of which Miss Lowry Shuford is chairman, a Red Cross booth will be maintained in the lobby of the postoffice tomorrow, Monday and Tuesday.

- Saturday morning: Misses Maude Rankin and Louise Wallace. Saturday afternoon: Misses Nellie Rose Sloan and Margaret Morris.

GASTONIA TOWNSHIP COMMITTEES.

- Crowders Creek: Ed Petty, H. F. Forbes, John Neely. Mount Olivet: Ed Rhyne, William Jenkins, M. A. Shannon.

WOMAN'S COMMITTEE SECURED \$431,850 FOR LIBERTY LOAN.

The Woman's Committee of Gaston County for the third Liberty loan campaign secured subscriptions to the amount of \$431,850.

Y. P. C. U. Conference.

On Saturday morning at 10:30 o'clock there will be a conference of the Young People's Christian Unions of the Fourth District in the First Associate Reformed Presbyterian church of this city.

N. C. FEDERAL JUDGE BILL IS PASSED BY SENATE.

Washington, May 16.—A bill by Senator Overman, of North Carolina, providing for the appointment of an additional federal judge for the North Carolina western district was passed today by the senate and goes to the house.

HUGHES CHOSEN TO AID INVESTIGATION

Washington, May 16.—President Wilson has summoned Charles E. Hughes to act with Attorney General Gregory in the investigation of criminal charges made in connection with aircraft production.

This announcement overshadowed in interest another development which created a stir at the capitol. In a letter to Senator Martin, the Democratic leader, the President earlier in the day had emphatically reiterated his opposition to the phrasing of a pending resolution authorizing further inquiry by the Senate military committee into aviation and other phases of war preparations.

The letter to Senator Martin was the subject of heated discussion. Senator Chamberlain, who introduced the resolution of inquiry, called before the senate expenditures committee considering it, declared there was no intention of investigating the "conduct of war" and that the resolution was worded as it was only to give the military committee, of which he is chairman, authority to resume its previous investigations.

The expenditures committee, by a vote of three to two, amended the resolution by striking out references to the conduct of the war, and adding a proviso specifically limiting the scope of the committee's activities. If the senate refuses to adopt the resolution, as amended, Senator Chamberlain indicated he would drop the investigations planned.

At The Churches

SPECIAL SERVICE AT THE EAST BAPTIST CHURCH.

The series of services at the East Baptist church is being largely attended and Dr. Calvin S. Blackwell is being heard with a great deal of interest. Many souls have been saved and lives dedicated to God's service.

MAIN STREET METHODIST.

At Main Street Methodist church next Sunday morning the pastor, Rev. H. H. Jordan, will preach a special sermon on the Red Cross and Y. M. C. A. war work, touching especially on the need of workers rather than on the need of funds, which will be brought before the people in the Red Cross drive next week.

Supporting French Orphan.

Two Gastonia young ladies who request that their names be not published are contributing monthly through the Southern Woman's Magazine to the support of a French war orphan. They have recently received the following letter:

Nashville, Tenn., May 8, 1918. My Dear Misses: I thank you very much for your check for \$3.00 and for your pledge for a year's care of a French orphan.

ALL IS IN READINESS FOR BIG RED CROSS DRIVE

With enthusiasm evident in every township, all is in readiness for the beginning of the drive for the second war fund for the American Red Cross Monday morning.

Chairman J. H. Separk of the speakers committee has a dozen or more well known men lined up for assignment to any point in the county where there is a call for a speaker. Mr. Separk is also chairman of a committee having charge of the mill solicitation work.

IN SOCIAL CIRCLES

LATEST EVENTS IN WOMAN'S WORLD

RHYNE-STROUPE WEDDING TUESDAY.

A wedding which came as a surprise to their many friends, was that of Miss Blanche Stroupe, of Ranlo, and Mr. Claude L. Rhyne, of Benton, Ala., which was solemnized Tuesday afternoon, May 14th, at 6 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents.

DR. F. N. PARKER DECLINES THE OFFICE OF BISHOP

In addition to the three bishops elected Tuesday by the General Conference of the M. E. Church, South, in session at Atlanta, namely, Dr. John M. Moore, of Nashville; Dr. W. F. McMurry, of Louisville; and Dr. U. V. W. Darlington, of Barboursville, West Va., the general conference on Wednesday proceeded to the election of three more bishops.

BIG RED CROSS MEETING SUNDAY NIGHT

On Sunday night, May 19th, beginning at 8:30 o'clock, there will be a mass meeting of all the citizens of Gastonia and vicinity, without reference to denomination, in the First Presbyterian church, for the purpose of presenting the cause of the Red Cross drive to be conducted throughout the nation during the following week.

It is especially emphasized that at the Sunday night meeting no contributions or subscriptions will be asked. The purpose of the meeting is purely inspirational and informative, and the matter of asking for contributions will be attended to by the solicitation committees who will start their work Monday.

Following is the program which has been arranged for the Sunday evening service. Invocation, by Rev. J. H. Henderlite, pastor First Presbyterian church. Music. Red Cross Announcements. Introductory remarks, by Mayor A. M. Dixon.

Miss Jane Morris left this morning for Rock Hill, S. C., where she will spend the week-end visiting friends and attending the chautauqua. Gaston Superior Court will convene next Monday, May 20th, for a one week term for the trial of criminal cases with Judge B. F. Long, of Statesville, presiding.

BAPTIST GRANT WOMEN EQUAL LAY RIGHTS

At the sixty-third annual session of the Southern Baptist Convention in session at Hot Springs, Ark., an amendment to the constitution was passed Wednesday by an overwhelming vote granting to women full and equal rights with men in the convention.

At yesterday's session a resolution was passed endorsing President Wilson's proclamation for a day of fasting and humiliation on May 30th. The sum of \$50,000 was appropriated to aid the negro Baptists of the South in building a theological seminary.

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The following connectional officers were re-elected for a term of four years: Rev. T. N. Ivey, of the Western North Carolina Conference, editor of The Nashville Christian Advocate; E. B. Chappell, of the Tennessee Conference, editor of the Tennessee school literature, and W. W. Pinson, of Nashville, secretary of the board of missions.

DR. JAMES I. VANCE WAS ELECTED MODERATOR

At the opening session of the Southern Presbyterian General Assembly, which convened yesterday at Durant, Okla., Dr. James I. Vance, of Nashville, Tenn., was elected moderator of the assembly.

Rev. Dr. J. Frank Smith, of Dallas, Texas, was elected moderator of the general assembly of the Presbyterian church in the United States at its annual session in Columbus, O., yesterday.

Rev. Charles H. Walton, of Los Angeles, Cal., was elected moderator of the general assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian church at the first day's session of the 88th general assembly in Dallas, Texas, yesterday.

NEWS OF THE COUNTY

Latest from our correspondents

New Hope News Notes.

Correspondence of The Gazette. LOWELL, Route 1, May 16.—Miss Ethel Featherstone and Mrs. Jack McLean spent last week with relatives in Charlotte. Misses Floride Fairies and Mary Glover are at home from Sunderland School, where they were students the past term.

Bessemer Route Two News.

Correspondence of The Gazette. BESSEMER CITY, Route 2, May 16.—Mrs. Grady Kiser, who was taken to Lincolnton Hospital for treatment several days ago, is improving nicely. Mr. Columbus Harmon was in Charlotte Tuesday on business. There will be all-day services at Concord Methodist church next Sunday.

Long Shoals Items.

Correspondence of The Gazette. LONG SHOALS, May 17.—Miss Lillian Clarke, primary teacher of this place, returned to her home in Gaffney, S. C., after teaching a very successful school. "Mothers Day" was celebrated here at the Wesleyan Methodist church last Sunday.

RED CROSS DEPARTMENT

ATTENDANCE RECORD.

Tuesday morning, May 14: Supervisor, Miss Mary Ragan; workers, Mesdames J. H. Matthews, Boyce M. Weir, L. F. Weizell, D. M. Jones, J. Lee Robinson, A. M. Dixon, Miss Lowry Shuford, Mrs. Pharr. Tuesday afternoon, May 14: Supervisor, Mrs. F. L. Smyre; directors, Mesdames S. A. Robinson and J. L. Gray; workers, Mesdames W. C. Davis, J. A. Smith, J. F. Bess, Rob Padgett, W. F. Michael, F. M. Allen, C. Torrence, D. A. Cline, J. H. Matthews, B. M. Weir, Robt. Moton, T. J. Lancaster, R. J. Smith, C. J. Storey, G. C. Hopper, Misses Eunice Spencer, Willie McKemy, Sallie Morton, Lena Wilson, Blanche Wilson; knitting, Mrs. J. C. Galloway, Mrs. Blake, Miss Mary Ragan, Mrs. R. M. Johnston.

Tuesday evening, May 14: Supervisor, Mrs. J. H. Kennedy; director, Mrs. R. D. Atkins; workers, Mesdames B. T. Morris, E. D. Atkins, Misses Lowry Shuford, Willie McKemy, Irene Barringer, Lucy Wilson, Rebecca Wilson, Mildred Falls, Agnes Thomas, Jamie Murrey, Lillian Atkins, Miss Harrison; visitor, Miss Frances Atkins.

ARTILLERY IS ACTIVE ON BOTH SIDES

(By International News Service.) LONDON, May 17.—Great artillery activity developed on both sides last night in the sector of Pascont Wood and the district north of Hinges on the Flanders front.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY SIGNS FIFTY-YEAR TREATY

(By International News Service.) ZURICH, May 17.—The solution of the Austro-Hungary German Polish question is about to be reached, Austria-Hungary signing a 50-year military convention with Germany.

BRITISH STEAMSHIP SUNK IN COLLISION

(By International News Service.) LONDON, May 17.—The British steamship Glenmackay was sunk Sunday in a collision off Gibraltar. The crew was saved.

TODAY'S CASUALTY LIST.

(By International News Service.) WASHINGTON, May 17.—Casualties reported this morning include 15 killed in action, six died of wounds, four died of disease, one died of gas poisoning. Twelve were severely wounded and 60 slightly wounded, 80 are missing in action.

RIDDLE TELLS OF LIFE IN THE DUGOUTS

The Yorkville Enquirer of today says: In relating the story of his experiences in France, Lieutenant Baxter C. Riddle gave quite an interesting description of life in the dugouts in and behind the front line trenches. He told how for quite a while his home was in an underground cave that had been made sometime in the past in limestone rock.