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## GERMANS CHECKED BY AMERICAN SOLDIERS

With the American Army in Picardy, June 4.—American troops cooperating with the French west of Chateau Thierry, north of the Marne, the nearest and most critical point to Paris, reached by the enemy, have brilliantly checked the onrushing Germans, beating off repeated attacks and inflicting severe losses, thus adding to the glory of American history.

The troops began to arrive on the battle front on Saturday and participated in the fighting almost immediately. They not only repulsed the Germans at every point at which they were engaged, but took prisoners without having any prisoners in turn taken by the Germans.

The Americans entered the battle enthusiastically, eager to fight, after a long march. On their way to the battle line they were cheered by the crowds in the villages through which they passed. Their victorious stand, with their gallant French allies soon after entering the line, has electrified France.

## FOUR MORE GASTONIANS JOIN HOSPITAL UNIT

Gastonia has a good representation in Dr. J. W. Long's hospital unit which is now in training at Fort McPherson, Ga. In addition to four already mentioned in The Gazette as having been accepted for service in that unit, the following other Gastonians have been accepted and have gone to Fort McPherson: Lieut. H. Otis Lineberger, who has for the past two or three years been practicing dentistry in Raleigh; Mr. Frank Morris, son of Mrs. S. M. Morris; Mr. Charles Craig, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Craig, and Mr. J. W. Cunningham, manager of O'Neil's store.

## TO KEEP HISTORY OF GASTONIA MEN IN SERVICE

The Gastonia Public Library is anxious to obtain a record giving the name, photograph, address, military or naval division and other pertinent facts concerning every man who has enlisted or who enlists in the future from Gastonia. Relatives of the men from Gastonia in the military or naval service of the country are requested to give the above information to some member of the library committee or to Miss Blake, the librarian.

In future years such records, if accurate and complete, will be of great service in compiling a history of Gastonia's part in the great war. It is a work worth while and it is to be hoped that those interested will see that the library gets the desired information.

## LYCEUM COURSE NETS LIBRARY NEARLY \$400

Through the medium of the lyceum course the Gastonia Public Library, during the past season, realized a net profit of \$385.05, which is a considerable help in carrying on the work of this splendid institution.

Miss Lottie Blake, the librarian and to whom is due the larger portion of the credit for the success which was attained, furnishes The Gazette with the following detailed financial statement which will doubtless prove of interest to the many friends of the library and of the lyceum course:

Course tickets sold	\$708.75
Door receipts	118.25
Int. on Certificates	15.73
From extra attraction	350.25
Total receipts	\$1,192.98
Less expenses	807.93

Net profit ..... \$385.05

Arrangements are now being made by the committee for a lyceum course for next season. The attractions last season were excellent and the class of entertainment furnished was pleasing to the public. It is expected that the attractions now being booked for 1918-19 will be equally as good if not better than last season. The committee was very much gratified with the support which was accorded them in this undertaking last year and are hoping for loyal and liberal support again.

### THIS IS "COAL WEEK."

Washington, D. C., June 3.—The United States Fuel Administration has designated the week beginning today as "Coal Week," during which time a special drive is to be made all over the country to induce those who must have coal next winter to lay in their supply without further delay. The Fuel Administration regards this of special importance, inasmuch as it will be easier to secure supplies now than later in the summer or fall. It is pointed out that the fuel needs of the Government are constantly increasing and that in consequence the supply for the general public will be in danger of running short when the cold weather sets in.

## CLUB'S SERVICE FLAG HAS 33 NAMES ON IT

A service flag bearing 33 stars was hung yesterday in the rooms of the Commercial Club on the top floor of the First National Bank building. It is a handsome flag and near it, hanging on the wall, is an honor roll containing the names of the 33 men who have thus far entered the service of their country from the membership of this club. The roll is as follows:

Major A. L. Bulwinkle.  
Capt. R. G. Cherry.  
Capt. F. P. Sessions.  
Lieut. R. A. Atkinson.  
Lieut. W. L. Balthis.  
Lieut. Ben E. Douglas.  
Lieut. Lee Johnson.  
Lieut. A. B. O'Neil.  
Lieut. D. T. Outz.  
Lieut. Ralph Ray.  
Lieut. E. R. Underwood.  
Lieut. T. L. Wilson.  
Lieut. F. A. Whitesides.  
Sgt.-Maj. Max D. Abernethy.  
Sgt. Charles W. Adams (deceased)  
Sgt. J. W. Holland.  
Sgt. W. B. Hair.  
Sgt. W. S. Morris.  
Sgt. Ira W. Moore.  
Sgt. Hugh J. McCorkle.  
Sgt. W. T. McArver.  
Sgt. Clyde C. Riddle.  
Sgt. W. K. Reid.  
Sgt. M. Harry Shuford.  
Corporal Clyde Brawley.  
Corporal J. Carl Loughridge.  
Pvt. Lamar Abernethy.  
Pvt. W. T. Grigg.  
Pvt. John A. Hunter, Jr.  
Pvt. J. R. Schrum.  
Pvt. Fred S. Wetzell.  
Pvt. T. W. von Spracken.  
Pvt. J. W. Cunningham.

## COL. ARMSTRONG ENDOWS RED-CROSS HOSPITAL BED

Col. C. B. Armstrong this morning mailed a check for \$700 to the American Red Cross to be used as an endowment for one bed in a Red Cross hospital in France. It takes this amount to pay the expenses of maintaining a bed for a period of one year.

Col. Armstrong is an ardent believer in and supporter of the American Red Cross and has contributed liberally to its support.

## SIXTY MORE MEN CALLED FROM GASTON

Two more calls have come to the Gaston county exemption board for drafted men. They were received yesterday.

Call No. 661 is for 45 white men to go to Camp Jackson, Columbia, S. C., during the five-day period between June 24th and 28th. The exact date for their entrainment will be announced later.

Call No. 652 is for 15 colored men to go to Camp Taylor at Louisville, Ky., in the five-day period between June 19th and 23rd. The exact date on which they are to entrain will be made known later.

This is a total of 60 more men Gaston is called on to furnish for the National Army.

Watch the Gazette for a list of these men.

## METHODIST PHILATHEAS HOLD IMPORTANT MEETING.

A meeting of the officers of the Senior Philathea Class of Main Street Methodist church was held last evening at the home of Mr. J. M. Holland, teacher of the class. Many important matters in connection with the class work were discussed. As a result of the extremely hot weather of the past ten days it was unanimously decided that the class have installed at once in the class room a large electric fan. If it is found that one fan is not sufficient to keep the room comfortable other fans will be added. That this will meet with the hearty approval of every member of the class goes without saying.

Many plans for adding to the "Ministerial Loan Fund" which now totals nearly \$500 were taken up. Many calls were had the past year, and present indications are that even more money will be needed next year.

Other matters of interest were taken up, announcement of which will be made later.

### Born

On Tuesday, May 28th, to Prof. and Mrs. H. C. Sisk, a daughter.

On Saturday, June 1, 1918, to Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Shore, a daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. Sylvanus Deck, of Bessemer City, route one, on Wednesday, May 29, 1918, a daughter.

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## B. AND L. MEETING TO BE HELD HERE.

The fifteenth annual meeting of the North Carolina Building & Loan League will be held in Gastonia on Tuesday and Wednesday, June 11th and 12th. The business sessions will be held in the assembly room of the Armington Hotel. This will be the first session of the league ever held in Gastonia and the city will extend a cordial welcome to the building and loan men of the State, who are among its leading business men.

Following is the program for the meeting:

**Tuesday, June 11, 10 A. M.**  
Invocation, Rev. J. C. Galloway, D. D.  
Registration of delegates.  
Address of President, E. L. Keesler.  
Report of Secretary and Treasurer, A. G. Craig.  
Address of Welcome, Mayor A. M. Dixon.  
Address on Behalf of Gastonia B. & L. Association, S. A. Robinson.  
Response to Address of Welcome, Chase Brenner.  
For Discussion, "The Building and Loan a Town Builder."  
For Discussion, "My Experience as a Building and Loan Secretary."  
**Tuesday, June 11, 2:30 P. M.**  
Address, "Building and Loan, the Ideal Savings Institution," H. F. Wilder.  
For Discussion, "Should Loans be Confined to Dwellings?"  
Address, "Appraisal Committees, How Chosen and Their Functions," G. A. Follin.  
For Discussion, "Why Building & Loan Associations Should Encourage Purchase of Liberty Bonds, Thrift and War Savings Stamps."  
**Tuesday, June 11, 8:30 P. M.**  
Address, "Conditions and Suggestions," James R. Young.  
For Discussion, "What Can Be Done to Increase the Membership of the League?"  
For Discussion, "How Can Members Be Induced to Attend Annual Meetings of the League?"  
Informal Smoker.  
**Wednesday, June 12, 10 A. M.**  
Address, "Should Tornado Insurance Be Required With Loans?" Robert G. Hayes.  
For Discussion, "The Functions of a Building and Loan Association."  
Address, "Why Commercial Bodies Should Encourage Building and Loan Associations," Charles A. Hines.  
Election of Officers.  
Selection of Time and Place of Next Meeting.  
Adjournment.  
Drive over the City of Gastonia and to United States Government's Artillery Range of Camp Chronicle at base of Kings Mountain.

## WEST SCHOOL CLOSING; "UNCLE SAM'S VISIT"

The West Gastonia graded school will close its session with a patriotic operetta Saturday night at 8:30 o'clock in the school auditorium. It is to be given by the pupils of the school under the direction of Miss Ethel Harris, director of music in the city schools.

The old woman who lives in the shoe has so many children she doesn't know what to do and they belong to all the nations of the world. She receives a message that "Uncle Sam" and his daughter, Columbia, are touring the world and are expecting to make a visit to her unique household before returning to the United States. She plans to entertain the distinguished guests with a party in which the children will sing their own folk songs and dance their own folk dances in their native costumes.

The program is as follows:

1. Spoken parts between the Boy, the Old Woman, Uncle Sam and Columbia.
2. Bohemian Folk Dance.
3. (a) Dutch National Hymn (b) Dutch costume dance.
4. French National Hymn.
5. Irish Folk Song, Coles and Muscels.
6. Japanese National Anthem.
7. English Songs: (a) Oh, Dear, What Can the Matter Be. (b) Oh, No, John. (c) The Muffin Man.
8. Spanish Folk Song.
9. Danish Folk Song and Dance.
10. American Group. (a) Indian Song and Dance. (b) Minuet.
11. (a) Old Black Joe. (b) Dixie. (c) Star Spangled Banner.

## COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES OF CITY SCHOOLS.

The commencement exercises of the city public schools will begin Sunday night, June 9th, with the annual sermon by Dr. J. C. Galloway, pastor of the First Associate Reformed Presbyterian church. This service, as well as all the other exercises will be held in the Central school auditorium and will begin at 8:30 o'clock.

On Monday night the undergraduate exercises will be held, together with the presentation of prizes and certificates of promotion to the High School. The class day exercises will take place Tuesday night.

The graduation exercises will be held Wednesday night, the principal feature being the literary address to be delivered by Hon. C. R. Hoey, of Shelby, Assistant U. S. District Attorney for the Western District of North Carolina.

## COUNTY PROVIDES FOR DEFECTIVE PAUPERS

Will Build Addition to County Home to Take Care of Feeble Minded and Sufferers from Tuberculosis and Pellagra.

At its monthly meeting Monday the board of county commissioners decided to build an addition to the county home near Dallas for the purpose of taking care of the feeble-minded of the county who are not in such a condition as to admit them to the State insane asylum and who are still a menace to the county if allowed to be at liberty, and also for taking care of tubercular and pellagrous patients who become charges on the county. The board adjourned to meet in a body at the county home at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning for the purpose of locating a site for the addition and working out further plans for the proposed structure.

Other business transacted was as follows: Superintendent of Roads Ware was ordered to survey a proposed new road from the new saddleplay road near Dallas to the C. & N. W. Railway in the town of Dallas.

William Mauney was allowed to go to the county home.

Peddler's license was granted Mary Nesser, A. Anton, John Turpet, Millet Tobia and Sallie Farris on payment of the required tax.

J. L. Hoffman, J. Scott Loughridge, J. N. Wilson and C. O. Huss were all relieved of paying poll tax for the year 1918 on account of physical infirmities.

Dawson Glenn, an outside pauper, was allowed to go to the county home.

Dolly Thorn was discontinued as an outside pauper.

C. I. Loftin was refunded tax on \$185 worth of real property erroneously charged.

Harry Adams was declared an outside pauper with \$7 per quarter, A. M. Adams, route one, agent.

M. A. Clarke was permitted to peddle without license on account of physical infirmities.

It was ordered that the county purchase one two-ton truck and one three-and-a-half-ton truck.

## FORMER VICE PRESIDENT FAIRBANKS DEAD

Distinguished Citizen Passes Away at Indiana Home—Was Also United States Senator.

(By International News Service)

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., June 4.—Charles Warren Fairbanks, former vice-president of the United States and former United States senator from Indiana, died here at home at 8:55 tonight.

Death was due to interstitial nephritis which has been a chronic ailment with him but not regarded as particularly serious until recently. All members of his family, except Major Richard Fairbanks, who is in France, were at his bedside.

Mr. Fairbanks became unconscious several days ago and did not regain consciousness up to the time of his death.

Charles Warren Fairbanks, former Vice-President of the United States, was born on a farm near Unionville Center, Union county, O., May 11, 1852. In earlier years, after taking several collegiate courses, he engaged in newspaper work while studying law. He was admitted to the Ohio bar in 1874 and later established practice at Indianapolis, where the beautiful Fairbanks home is now situated on North Meridian street. His political career dates from 1892, when he served as chairman of the Indiana State Republican Convention, until after his office as Vice-President of the United States, which terminated in March, 1909. He was delegate-at-large at the Republican National Convention in St. Louis in 1896, in Philadelphia in 1904 in Chicago in 1904. It was in Chicago that he was unanimously nominated for vice-president. He was defeated for United States Senator in 1893 by David Turpie, Democrat, but later was elected from Indiana for the terms of 1897-03, 1903-09. Mr. Fairbanks served as trustee for several colleges throughout the country and made a tour around the world in 1909-10. He gave freely to the American Red Cross and the Liberty loan issues and was reputed to be a very wealthy man.

## WINSTON COUPLE WEDDED HERE.

Mr. T. E. Ebert and Miss Kate Harrison, both of Winston-Salem, were married Saturday night at 9 o'clock at the manse of the First Presbyterian church, the ceremony being performed by Rev. J. H. Henderliffe.

They came to Gastonia by auto with Mr. and Mrs. Guy C. Robbins who came to visit homefolks. Mrs. Robbins being a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Garrison and Mr. Robbins a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Robbins. They have returned to Winston-Salem where they will reside.

## TWENTY-SEVEN LOST IN CAROLINA SINKING.

(By International News Service.)

NEW YORK, June 5.—The latest reports indicate that 16 are dead and 11 missing in the destruction of the Carolina by a German submarine.

## YOUNG MEN JUST 21 REGISTERING TODAY

Gastonia's new citizens—those who have attained the age of 21 since the 5th day of last June—are flocking today to the courthouse to register for military service as required by a recent act of Congress. There is only the one registration place in the county. Col. C. B. Armstrong is chief registrar and is assisted by a number of business and professional men. Not only the court room, jury rooms, and ante rooms on the second floor of the courthouse, but offices of county officials on the first floor are being utilized for the purpose of registering these men.

Just what the total number of registrants will be is not known, though the exemption board has estimated that it will be between 400 and 500. These new registrants, it is understood, will be placed at the foot of class one, except such as may have disability certificates or for some reason are unfit for active military service.

## S. S. CONVENTION AT GRANITE FALLS

Following is the program for the annual district Sunday school convention of the Wesleyan Methodist church which is to be held at Granite Falls June 18th and 19th:

**Tuesday, 8:30 P. M.**  
Address by Conference President, Rev. J. A. Clement. Subject: "How the Church Can Help the Sunday School."

Paper, "Superintendents' Duties," A. J. Beauchamp.

Paper, "Missionary Education in the Sunday School," Rev. C. A. Hendrix.

Paper, "The Sunday School's Relation to the Church," Rev. S. P. Chapman.

**Tuesday, 8 P. M.**  
Special Music, Rev. T. C. Harvey in charge.

Paper, "The Ideal Teacher," R. H. Beatty.

Paper, "Illustrative Teaching," Gertie Eppley.

Paper, "Importance of Teacher Training Work," Rev. C. A. Curtis.

Paper, "Music and Song for Sunday School," Rev. T. C. Harvey.

**Wednesday Morning, 9:30 A. M.**  
Special Music by Mrs. M. C. Connor and Miss Gertie Eppley.

Paper, "The Pastor's Duty in Sunday School," Edw. M. Graham.

Paper, "Sunday School Library," Rev. M. C. Connor.

Paper, "Finance," Miss Lucy Beatty.

Paper, "Attendance," A. H. Whitner.

Paper, "The Relation of Our Sunday School to Central W. M. C.," Mrs. M. C. Connor.

Rev. C. A. Hendrix is district superintendent; Rev. H. A. Forrester is conference secretary and Miss Maggie Dalton is district secretary.

A number of Wesleyan Methodists from Gastonia will attend this conference.

## Cherryville Chat.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

CHERRYVILLE, June 3.—Mr. George Falls, who has been bookkeeper for the Gaston Manufacturing Company for the past six years, has resigned and accepted a similar position with the Farmers Bank & Trust Company.

Mr. N. B. Kendrick took his Sunday school class on a picnic trip to Crowders Mountain Saturday.

Mr. L. S. Costner has the contract for the erection of two nice dwellings for Messrs. A. E. Beam and Henry Carpenter in the eastern part of town.

Mrs. C. B. Fetner and little son, C. B., Jr., of Charlotte, are spending a few days here.

Prof. G. L. Tabor has gone to Washington and is engaged in government work.

Mr. J. F. Carpenter has disposed of his grocery business to Messrs. R. L. Davis and E. P. Eaker. The new owners will open a market in connection with their grocery business.

## GERMAN ARTILLERY ACTIVE.

(By International News Service.)

LONDON, June 5.—The German artillery was active last night north of the Scarpe and Lys rivers and in the sectors along the Morris and Ypres-Comes Canal. The British successfully raided near Lens and the La Basse Canal. German raids were repulsed near Meriancourt.

## BETTERMENT MEETING FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

There will be a short called meeting of the Gastonia Woman's Betterment Association at the Central school auditorium Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock for the purpose of hearing the report from the delegates who attended the annual meeting of the State Federation of Women's Clubs recently held in Raleigh.

## 244 OFF-THE CAROLINA WERE LANDED TODAY

(By International News Service.)

NEW YORK, June 5.—The schooner Eva Douglas arrived this morning bringing 150 passengers and 94 members of the crew of the steamship Carolina which was submerged Monday. Hundreds of relatives and friends were waiting at the pier but were not allowed to approach the schooner. Many survivors were wrapped in blankets, having lost all their clothing.

## 110 AMERICANS IN TODAY'S CASUALTY LIST

(By International News Service.)

WASHINGTON, June 5.—Today's casualty list is as follows:

Thirty-nine killed in action.  
Thirteen died of wounds.  
Six died of disease.  
Three died from accidents.  
Forty-seven severely wounded.  
Two missing in action.

Col. Bertram Clayton, of Salisbury, N. C., and Privates Willford Funderburke, of Durand, Ga., and Admiral Hursey, of Rebecca, Ga., were killed in action. Shellie Poole, of Wedowee, Ala., died of disease. Clyde Fulcher, of Talladega, Ala., was severely wounded. Private Jno. Jones, of Oxford, Ala., is missing in action.

## CALLED ISSUED FOR 40,000 NEGROES

(By International News Service.)

WASHINGTON, June 5.—A call for 40,000 colored selective service men qualified for general military service was issued today by Provost Marshal General Crowder. They will be sent to camps in the period between June 20th and 25th.

## LULL ON WEST FRONT ONLY TEMPORARY

(By International News Service.)

PARIS, June 4.—Although the battle on the Aisne-Marne battlefield appears to have slackened, the general belief is that it is only a breathing pause. Experts expect the next blow to fall in the Montdidier sector shortly. The Germans have large available reserves on the Soissons-Rheims front. The French are expected to strike crushingly on the Rheims front. The German losses grow heavier hour by hour.

## SWEEP GERMANS BACK AT POINT OF BAYONET

(By International News Service.)

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, June 4.—The most savage fighting the Americans have yet seen has transpired in the Neuville wood on the Aisne-Marne front. The Americans engaged the Germans in hand-to-hand fighting amidst tangled piles of stumps which had been uprooted by the artillery fire. They swept the Germans back from the northern fringe of the woods, proving themselves adepts in the use of the bayonet. Charging the Boches, the Americans broke up first one gun group and then another, heedless of machine gun fire. Comparatively few Germans in the battalion crossed the Marne near Jaulcon. Those who did cross were either captured or killed.

## Patriotic Operetta.

"Under the Stars and Stripes," a patriotic operetta, will be presented by pupils of the Gastonia high school tomorrow night at the Central school auditorium, under the direction of Miss Ethel Lewis Harris, teacher of music in the city schools. Miss Martha Moore Morrow is the pianist.

## GOOD PROSPECTS FOR RECORD COTTON CROP.

Indicated in Government Report, Showing Condition to Be 82.3 on May 25.

Washington, June 4.—Good prospects for a cotton crop of record proportions this year were indicated in today's department of agriculture cotton report showing the condition of the growing plant to be 82.3 per cent of a normal of May 25. This is the highest condition on May 25 in the last ten years except in 1911 when it was 87.8 and a record crop was produced.

The high condition, coupled with private reports that this year's acreage is much larger than that of last year, and official statements that the stand is good and more fertilizer has been used than the season before seemed to indicate that the production will be large.

With average growing conditions from now until time of picking, officials here foresee a production approaching the record crops of 16,335,000 bales in 1914 and 15,692,000 bales in 1911.