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KAISER PLEADS INNOCENT.

The Kaiser, former Emperor of Germany, is bitterly denying that he was responsible for the great world war and is trying to place the responsibility on the shoulders of Bethman-Hollweg, former imperial chancellor, and Gottlieb von Jagow, former minister of affairs. The Kaiser claims that they sent him to Norway against his will, but that the chancellor said, "your Majesty must take this voyage in order to maintain peace. If your majesty remains here it undoubtedly means war and the world will lay to your charge responsibility for this war." He went on to Norway as they suggested and he is now trying to make it appear that he was ignorant of what was being done while he was away and that when he returned he found his country engaged in war and claims that he was not to blame for it. All the denials he can make and all his claims of innocence will never amount to a hill of beans. He alone is to blame and bear it he must, and the allied nations should never cease until the old wretch is brought to the bar of justice and punished for his crimes. We know of no punishment that can be inflicted upon him that will be severe enough to meet what his case deserves. We hope that the peace conference will form such a league of nations and adopt a uniform constitution that will make it impossible for the ruler of any nation, to ever be able to involve the world in another war.

A COMMERCIAL CLUB FOR ELKIN.

A movement is on foot among the leading citizens of the town to establish a commercial club for Elkin. This has been needed by our town for a long time.

The object of the club will be to promote the business and social life of the town. Elkin has grown beyond the point of a small country place and has taken on city ways. This means that our citizens need some common place of intercourse where business and social problems may be discussed and our common every day needs gone into with a view to improving them.

This club will be established with about fifty charter members. A club room will be provided where members can find open doors at all times. This provides a place of entertainment for out of town guests who will appreciate a place to read the newspaper or write a letter. It provides a meeting place for our young men that will keep them off of the streets. The tired business man will find here a place to rest and comfort where he can enjoy himself after a hard day's work. At a later date an athletic department will be added.

Elkin needs organization and cooperation, and this will be a long step in getting these two things. It is hoped that the movement will be approved by our citizens and that the necessary number of charter members can be secured.

Temporary organization:
C. G. Armfield, Chairman.
E. G. Click, Secretary.
J. F. Hendren, Treasurer.
Soliciting Committee:
E. F. McNear.
Dr. R. B. Harrell.
R. H. Chatham.
J. G. Abernethy.

E. AND A. RAILROAD.

We notice from an exchange that Frank A. Hampton, Secretary to Senator Simmons, on last Saturday made an argument before the railroad administration in Washington, urging federal operation of the Elkin and Alleghany railroad. His argument was successful and Judge Payne agreed to take the road under federal control as soon as

formalities can be carried out. We do not know what effect this action will have, but hope that it means an early completion of the road through to Sparta and on to the Virginia line.

TOWNSHIP AGRICULTURAL ADVISORS ARE APPOINTED.

The following farmers have been appointed township Agricultural Advisors for Surry county: Dobson, Frank Folger; Mt. Airy, E. F. Wall; Franklin, L. F. Armstrong; Stewart's Creek, J. W. Johnson; Bryan, W. J. Nixon; Elkin, James Eldridge; Marsh, Ed. Beamer; Rockford, J. Luther Wood; Siloam, Wright Ashbourn; Shoals, E. E. Marion; Pilot, J. E. Dodson; Long Hill, Frank Ashbourn; Westfield, S. F. Shelton; and Eldora, G. T. Jones.

It is desired that these farmers secure the foreign address of each farmer boy in his township who is now in the army, not in the camps, but in foreign service. We want the names of boys who were at work on the farm when they entered the service, and will work on the farm, if they are released from the army. It is not certain that all the soldiers for whom we expect to ask release will be discharged from the army, but we expect to make an effort to get the release of as many as possible in order that we may have sufficient farm labor to carry on the farming of the country. We have a great undertaking in this country if we produce food enough for our own people, and still have enough to feed the people of Europe and prevent the spread of Bolshevism over the world which is even now a greater menace to the world than autocracy.

This information is wanted by the 20th of December, and I call upon all the people of the county to lend a hand in ascertaining the following information: The name and rank of the soldier, his complete foreign address, the name of the camp where he was trained, whether he worked on the farm before going to the army, and whether he will work on the farm if he is released. The parents and guardians, wives or other relatives should at once inform the township advisor of these facts. It is not expected that the township advisors get out over the township and find out about these men, but their relatives must furnish them the information. Please attend to this immediately. The soldier may not have worked on the home farm. A man who worked as a farm laborer on a farm may be just as useful as a boy who was working on his father's farm. What is wanted is the name of the farmer boys now in foreign service. All the boys in the camps will soon be at home. Some of the boys in the foreign service will soon be home, but we need and must have more help, and we are going to ask for the release of the real farmer boys.

This information should be in my hands not later than Dec. 20, 1918.

EWING S. MILLSAPS,
County Agent, Dobson, N. C.

LONNIE HANKS INJURED IN AUTO ACCIDENT.

Lack of familiarity with the city's topography landed three soldiers, who were auto riding along Avenue E late Saturday night, in the Bayonne Hospital. The luckless autoists were Corporals L. C. Hanks and Wilks Ayers, of the 22nd Service Co., and Private John T. Mitchell, of the 683rd Aero Squadron. They were speeding along Avenue E, Ayers, the chauffeur, failed to apply the brakes when the car neared Fifty-second street. As a result the auto crashed violently into the curb despite the late effort made to turn into Fifty-second street.

The trio were thrown out of the car by the sudden impact and badly hurt. Patrolman Caribotto had them removed to the Bayonne Hospital where it was found that Ayers had a fractured rib and numerous contusions on body and face.

Lieut. Moore, the commanding officer, was notified of the accident.

The above was taken from a Jersey City, N. J., newspaper. Mr. Hanks, one of the parties injured, is a son of Mrs. Emma Hanks, of Elkin, who has since received news that his injuries were only slight.

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MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Woman's Missionary Society of Elkin M. E. Church was entertained on Nov. 15th, by Mrs. Thomas G. Trivette in her pleasant home in West Elkin. Mrs. J. P. Hipps presided. The meeting was opened with singing, "True Hearted, Whole Hearted etc."

Mrs. R. L. Harris conducted the devotional, reading the Bible lesson and comments. Eighteen members answered to roll call. We shall miss Mrs. Hipps' pleasant face when the next roll is called. After the general business, an interesting literary program was given.

Mrs. Raymond Chattam sang a Solo "O Zion Haste" and the chorus "Publish Glad Tidings" was heartily sung by all. A very appropriate song, not only for a Missionary song but following so soon after the "Glad tidings of peace, Dedemption and release" that came to the world on November 11, 1918.

Mrs. Atkinson read "A call to the Christian Womanhood of America." "The White Handkerchief" from "The Soul of a Soldier" by Kipling, read by Mrs. A. M. Smith was beautiful.

Mrs. G. T. Rotte read "Patriotism in Japan" by Miss Annie Siler, a young lady who is teaching in Japan.

The Mite box offering then followed, which amounted to \$28.04.

"Praise God from Whom all Blessings flow" and the Society benediction ended an interesting meeting.

A short time was spent in a social way. Mrs. Trivette, assisted by Mrs. J. B. Bivens and Mrs. R. L. Harris served delicious cakes, coffee and chocolate.

Mrs. G. T. Roth will be hostess to the Society on December 6th. Any others having Mite box offerings may bring them then.

The week of Prayer Services was observed on Thursday the 21st in the Epworth League room of the church. Mrs. R. L. Hubbard conducted the service. The offering amounted to \$15.40.

DOBSON NEWS.

On Monday of last week, Mrs. Cora Bingman, wife of Mr. John A. Bingman, who lives near here, died at her home after three weeks illness of pneumonia and other complications, following an attack of influenza. The remains were interred in the cemetery at White Plains, funeral services being conducted by Rev. Wesley Wooten of the Friends church.

Your correspondent was wrongly informed as to the date for the special term of court for the trial of the Forsyth rioters. February 10th is the date instead of December 23, as we had it last week. On Thursday of last week several of those suspected of being participants in the riot were brought here and placed in jail in default of bond.

The Mount Airy News of last week contained an article written by Attorney J. F. Hendren, suggesting that Surry county erect a monument to her boys who were killed in France. While we are about it, let's include those who died of disease in camp also. Take in all who went away never to return. Certainly every citizen of our county favors Mr. Hendren's suggestion.

Last Monday being first Monday, was a very busy day here. Some of the county offices changed hands, while others entered upon the second term for the incumbent. Mr. S. G. Brin turned over the keys of the register's office to Mr. Henry Wolfe, from whom we confidently expect a continuation of that high degree of efficiency maintained by the retiring official. Mr. J. A. Jackson enters upon his second term as clerk with the full confidence of the people that the affairs of his office will continue on the same high plane as heretofore. Mr. J. Solie Patterson will give place as Treasurer to Mr. F. S. Eldridge, who will no doubt make us a good officer. Sheriff Beiton enters upon his second term mindful of the fact that his services in the past were not what the people hoped and expected and that he was re-elected by a greatly reduced majority. Let us hope that his second term will be more representative of the entire county, and thus more satisfactory than the one just closed.

The Board of County Commissioners organized by electing T. G. Fawcett, chairman. This

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Jesse T. Copeland.

INFLUENZA A ROBBER OF HEALTH AND MIRTH

Leaves Victims of Recent Epidemic in a Weakened, Run-down Condition, From Which Most Are Slow to Recover.

Save Good Nourishing Food is Best Strength Maker—But Must be Assimilated, Not Wasted.

If you like thousands of others, have just come through an attack of influenza, you know how greatly it has weakened your whole system. You are back at work, but "weak on your pins" and unable to attend the strain of hard daily effort without quickly tiring.

You are weak listless, run down and lack strength and reserve force at the very season of the year when you should be at your physical best to withstand the rigors and hardships of the hard Winter season just before you.

Strength and health come back very slowly after Influenza or Pneumonia unless you adopt a systematic plan of body building. It is folly to let Nature take its course without help and equally foolish to dose the stomach with strong stimulants or so-called tonics which whip of lash the jaded nerves into spasmodic temporary action.

The best way to quickly regain strength, flesh and health, says a well known authority, is through the original source of all strength—your daily food. Food however, produces flesh, strength and normal health only in the proportion in which its nourishing elements are absorbed by the blood. Your illness has thrown your assimilative organs out of condition and you are failing to absorb the full nourishment your food contains. Probably sixty percent of the fats, sugars, starches, proteins etc. of your meals are, instead of going into your blood to nourish your body, passing right through you as waste—undigested and unassimilated, such as unburned coal falls through an open furnace grate.

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