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WE HAVE A CIRCULATION OF TWELVE HUNDRED AMONG THE BEST PEOPLE IN THE EASTERN PART OF NORTH CAROLINA AND INVITE THOSE WHO WISH TO GET BETTER ACQUAINTED WITH THESE GOOD PEOPLE IN A BUSINESS WAY TO TAKE A FEW INCHES SPACE AND TELL THEM WHAT YOU HAVE TO BRING TO THEIR ATTENTION. OUR ADVERTISING RATES ARE LOW AND CAN BE HAD UPON APPLICATION.

ATTEMPT CRUSH ALLIED TROOPS IN MACEDONIA

French Continue Bombard The Whole German Front.

LITTLE PEACE TALKS

Berlin Says French In Region of Nardar River—Ipek In Montenegro Has Been Taken With Heavy Losses On Both Sides, Is Claimed.

LONDON, DEC. 8.—The campaign against the main Serbian armies having been closed, it is expected General Von Gallwitz, with his German forces, will join the Bulgarians in Macedonia in an effort to crush the French and British armies before they become much stronger.

Information from Berlin indicates that the German forces engaged in the earlier movements in the Balkans have now been detached for the purpose of sharing in the attack on the Franco-British forces along the Southern Macedonian front. Dispatches from Athens partially corroborate this theory, as it is reported two German divisions are co-operating with the Bulgarians near Strumitza.

There is little report from the other fronts save the usual minor operations.

The French, however, are carrying on a particularly energetic bombardment of the German lines in the Champagne. In Mesopotamia the Germans are beginning to show considerable interest in the campaign, which is developing in favor of their Turkish allies.

It is reported from Geneva that the Germans under Field Marshal Von Der Goltz are preparing an extensive campaign which will be directed toward the Persian Gulf by way of Bagdad.

Further impetus is given to peace talk by the papal consistory at which Pope Benedict delivered an address calling upon the belligerents to make a just and immediate peace.

The effect of the dismissal of the German military and naval attaches at Washington on the German public is not ascertainable as the German newspapers have not been permitted to publish even the bare facts of the incident.

BERLIN, DEC. 8.—Via London—The war office announced today that the French forces in Southwestern Serbia, near the Vardar river, have been compelled to retreat.

The capture of Ipek, Montenegro, also is announced.

The official statement on the Balkan operations is as follows:

"Balkan theatre of war: The city of Ipek in Montenegro, about fifteen miles from the Serbian border, has been reported. Some 1,250 prisoners were brought in.

"On account of a threatened envelopment of their positions in the Cerna-Karasi-Vardar salient, the French have been compelled to give up their positions there."

Regarding conditions on the Western and Eastern fronts, the official statement says:

"Western theatre of war: Near Berry-au-Bac a large mine was successfully exploded. A French trench with

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When the foreigner jumps among you and begins to make it hot by selling inferior goods at cheap prices you call on the paper to aid you.

If the paper does not denounce the practice from Sun Rise to Last Chance you swear it is a dirty, rotten rag.

You threaten to shoot the editor on sight, or may be something like that, but do you give the paper your support? Do you give it your work and a reasonable amount of advertising, or do you send it away to some other place?

Why not do your part by the paper and help to keep "Greenville Dollars in Greenville?"

PASTOR DANIEL WAS RETURNED

List of Pastors For This District Is Given Below.

Rev. J. M. Daniel, pastor of the local Methodist church has returned to Greenville from the conference which was held in Wilmington last week. It will be gratifying to Mr. Daniel's many friends here to learn that he has been returned to this charge.

Following is the list of ministers and their charges in this district:

- Washington District
- C. L. Road, presiding elder.
- Aurora circuit, W. E. Trotman.
- Ayden circuit, Daniel Lane, Jr.
- Bath circuit, J. J. Lewis.
- Bethel circuit, H. E. Tripps.
- Elm City, L. B. Parrishall.
- Farmville circuit, E. T. Moyle.
- Fairfield, J. P. Bross.
- Fremont circuit, J. L. Rumley.
- Greenville—Jarvis Memorial, J. M. Daniel.
- McTamskeet circuit, W. H. Constable.
- McKendree circuit, Ivy T. Poole.
- Mount Pleasant circuit, G. B. Perry.
- Nashville circuit, J. W. Austry.
- Rocky Mount—First Church, R. C. Craven; South Rocky Mount and Clark Street, to be supplied; North Rocky Mount, to be supplied.
- Stantonsburg circuit, D. A. Futrell.
- Stokes circuit, to be supplied.
- Spring Hope circuit, W. T. Phipps.
- Swan Quarter circuit, R. R. Grant.
- Tayboro, H. I. Glass.
- Vanceboro circuit, W. J. Covington.
- Washington, E. M. Snipes.
- Wilson, W. A. Stanbury.

HORSE WAS STOLEN HERE DURING LAST NIGHT

A horse belonging to James Mitchell, of Blounts Creek, was stolen from the stables of the Liberty warehouse some time last night.

No clue has been learned that will give information as to who purloined the horse.

Its occupants was destroyed. All enemy positions that had been almost completely also was destroyed.

"East of Ayheriva, in the Champagne, about 250 metres of an advanced French trench was taken. More than sixty men fell into our hands.

"Eastern theatre of war: The situation is unchanged."

BERLIN, DEC. 8.—By wireless to Tuckerton, N. J.—"The position of the forces of the Entente allies on the Gallipoli peninsula is growing worse every day, according to reports from Constantinople, the winter storms that are prevailing making it impossible to bring provisions for the troops," the Overseas news agency says today.

SPEAKERS AGREE RURAL CHURCHES TOO NUMEROUS

Convention On Church And Country Life Opened This Morning.

AT COLUMBUS OHIO

Membership Is Too Small, Say Preachers While The Ministers Are Underpaid—"Church of Tomorrow Will Be a Community Rather Than Sectarian.

(Special to The Reflector) COLUMBUS, O., DEC. 8.—Speakers before the national conference of the Commission on Church and Country Life here today agree that rural churches are too numerous and consequently inefficient, that their membership is too small, that country preachers are underpaid and their energies divided among too many charges.

The convention, opened this morning with an address by Gifford Finchet, chairman of the commission, and will continue through Friday evening when President Wilson will speak. Meetings of the executive committee of the Federal Council of Churches are being held simultaneously, and prominent churchmen from every state are here.

"The church of tomorrow will be a community rather than a sectarian institution," said Rev. Alvr. W. Taylor of Columbus, Mo., in an address today. "The day of emphasis upon creedal distinctions is past. The neighborhood division of religious interests keeps all the churches weak and injures religion. The church which most adequately ministers to its whole neighborhood will thrive best in the rural communities of the future.

"The average community has from three to seven churches within a radius of four miles from any given center. Four miles is an easy 'wagon drive' and if every family were that far from a church the distance would not be too great. Duplication of churches in one community prevents any of the congregations from thriving, and the small church grows with much greater difficulty than the large one. 'Once a month' service by an absentee pastor leaves the church of a strong nation-wide, inter-denominational movement to prevent maintenance of superfluous sectarian churches, particularly in country districts.

The principal purpose of the rural church is to stimulate community spirit among farmers and consequently the church reform movement means definite increase in material prosperity, according to Rev. R. A. Hutchison, prominent civic worker of Pittsburgh, and secretary of the home mission board of the United Presbyterian church.

"The chief end of the country church is not raising of crops and flocks," he said. "It is the production of men marked for their personal character, and the development of a community civic righteousness. In the present weakened condition of the country church as an institution, co-operation is essential for the maintaining of the ideals and standards of civic life. The rural church should be the churches, but with all organizations which aim at the betterment of society."

Miss Jessie Field of New York, known the country over as "the Corn

PERCY CROSS IS TO LECTURE HERE NEXT WEDNESDAY

His Subject Will Be "The European War."

MAKES STUDY OF IT

Dr. Cross Will Deliver The Lecture In The Court House—He Was Born In England And Has Had Much Experience—Knows The War.

Rev. Percy G. Cross will lecture in the court house on Wednesday evening December the fifteenth under the auspices of the Ladies Aid Society of the Christian church on the subject, "The European War."

Dr. Cross recently conducted a soul stirring revival here and is well known in Greenville. Besides being a preacher of the Gospel, he has won considerable recognition as a Chautauqua lecturer and can guarantee all who attend a first class address.

Dr. Cross was born in England, but came to this country when he was young. He has served in several phases of life and knows what it is. Dr. Cross feels a peculiar interest in the war as his birth country is involved, and spends several hours each day diligently studying the press dispatches and keeping up with every turn that is made in Europe.

Dr. Cross is at present conducting a revival in Kingston, which by the way, is the second one that he has conducted in that city recently. His admirers in this section of the State are many, and it is expected that a large crowd will turn out to hear his lecture when he comes here.

Walter Clark, of Chicago, Found Dead In Hyde County Woods.

Walter Clark, of Chicago, aged fifty-two, was found dead in the swamps of Hyde county yesterday. It is presumed that he died of heart failure while on a hunting trip. He held his gun cleared light in his hands when found. The body was brought to Washington today and will be shipped to Chicago for burial.

Clark explained that prosperous W. C. A. organizations in a rural district would provide means of making girls and women more useful to the community. "They will be more content with farm life if there is a community women's club such as the Y. W. C. A.," she said.

Rev. Hubert C. Herring of Boston, secretary of the national council of congregational churches said: "The country church suffers from lack of the co-operative spirit. It is never easy to get the community to work together. There are many feuds and factions. The sectarian spirit causes some families to attend church outside the parish, but a real get-together movement among churches will remedy this condition."

Other speakers today were Rev. W. F. Richardson of Kansas City; Prof. Edwin L. Earp, Madison, N. J.; Dr. S. K. Meeman, Pittsboro, O.; Rev. Ward Platt, Philadelphia; Albert E. Roberts, New York; and President W. O. Thompson of Ohio State University, Columbus.

WRITER GIVES A FEW BOLD FACTS

Condemns The "Anticipating" And Slaughter Sales After Held Here

Editor Greenville Reflector:

After reading a recent issue of your paper I have come to the conclusion that in your efforts to boost, as well as to make Greenville, what it should be, progressive, you have adapted for your slogan, "Keep Greenville Dollars in Greenville." I do not profess to be an expert at the art, or adept at news paper writing, but in words that I am sure Webster would consider very plain I think I can offer a suggestion, that if carried out, would do an unusual amount of good in regards to keeping Greenville dollars in Greenville. I have traveled from one end of this Tar Heel State to the other and I feel that I am in a position to state that as soon as Greenville takes the stand that other cities have taken in regards to the matter that I am going to refer to, and by some way, shape, form or manner, passes some kind of an act that will prevent certain merchants, from holding farewell and anticipating sales at least four or five times a year, then and not until then will there be many, many dollars kept in Greenville that otherwise would be sent to some far off land.

The word farewell signifies parting, and that's just what happens to your dollars spent at such sales. I can state the case of a merchant (not an American) who had a place of business in Elizabeth City who was in the habit of holding farewell sales about once every month. The last sale he advertised twenty-five thousand dollars worth of goods at reduced prices. A certain newspaper in that city had the stock inventoried and the total amount of stock in the whole store came to less than seven hundred dollars. That merchant is now selling peanuts on one of the street corners.

Why? Simply, because he can't get a store in the city to do business in. As to whether he is entitled to do business in a city that is progressive, I will let the readers of this paper judge. I also know a merchant right here in this city (not an American) who has a place of business on your main street, who professes to pay bills promptly, but I can show a check that this man gave in payment for a bill of goods that had been due for over a year, on a certain bank, the check came back marked, "no funds." Where is the money that is being paid to this man every day by the public? Is he keeping Greenville dollars in Greenville?

As I have stated, I have been over this state and I will say that what it takes to make a real honest to goodness, up to date live city, Greenville has it, and I believe Mr. Ed'or that is city is with you in your campaign to "Keep Greenville Dollars in Greenville."

I. J. CALKINS.
(Note) The editor can touch for the statement made in the case of the Elizabeth City merchant, for he was on the staff of the Independent in that city when the trick was turned.

STOLE BUGGY DURING NIGHT

New Buggy Left Under Shelter Makes A Quick Disappearance.

This morning between one o'clock and daylight someone stole a new buggy from Tom Hines who lives on the farm of J. R. and J. G. Mays, local merchants here.

J. S. ROSS MADE CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNTY'S BOARD

County Commissioners Elect Officers For Next Year.

CHAIRMAN RESIGNED

Bonds For Falkland And Farmville Township Were Sold At Good Price—Carolina Township Gets Bond Issue For Good Roads—Much Work.

The Board of County Commissioners concluded their regular session yesterday with the election of officers for the coming year, and with the making of final arrangements for other matters which are of great importance to the county as a whole.

Mr. S. A. Congleton resigned as chairman of the board yesterday and was succeeded by Mr. J. S. Ross, prominent business man of Ayden who is well suited for the position. In the resigning of Mr. Congleton, he stated that he felt that owing to the inconvenience of not being able to get to Greenville as well as others he thought that someone else would be better suited for the position. Mr. Congleton has made a mighty fine chairman for the board and many of them were reluctant to lose him, but it was pointed out that Mr. Ross is well suited for the position.

County Attorney S. J. Everett, who has served the board well, and who ranks as one of the best lawyers in Greenville as well as the surrounding country, was reelected yesterday.

The bonds for Falkland and Farmville townships, fifty thousand dollars each, were sold yesterday at what the county attorney today stated to be a good price.

The election returns from Carolina township to issue bonds for good roads were passed upon and Mr. J. L. Perkins was appointed chairman of the committee to see that the money is expended where it will do the most benefit.

Sale of the Poor House property was yesterday authorized and the Atlantic Coast Realty company, will, it is thought, sell this on December 21st. Too much praise can not be given the board of county commissioners for what they have done the past year. Since the present board has been in office, such improvements in this county as have never been seen before have been heralded, and the credit is in a large measure due this board which has served so well during its term of office.

Each person on the board has not considered any personality or notoriety but has gone about his work in the best interest of the county.

It is only to be hoped that the same work can be continued on through this year.

FINED RECKLESS AUTO DRIVER

Henry Forlinier was fined in city court this morning on a charge of reckless automobile driving and was fined twenty-five dollars.

Forlinier was the man that ran his Ford into a horse and buggy in front of Bishop's Laundry Saturday night. It is said that he turned from a side street into Dickinson avenue and was going so fast that he could not keep to the right and struck the buggy.