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LIBERTY BONDS FREELY BOUGHT.

Crowds Turn Out at Mill Spring and Green River Patriotic Rallies.

POLK FULL OF ENTHUSIASM.

The two Liberty Loan meetings at Mill Spring Methodist church, Green River Baptist church last night demonstrated the fact that the county has been aroused during the present Liberty Loan drive as never before.

Two automobiles loaded with workers left Tryon for Mill Spring, Sunday morning. Upon arriving at the destination it was to meet a large crowd of eager and waiting people, anxious to hear the gospel of Americanism delivered to them. The meeting was called to order by Chairman W. F. Little, who called on Dr. M. L. Taft to deliver the invocation. Then followed the singing of "America," and when we say "America" we do not mean trying, but trying. The choir was led by Mr. C. Hogue, with Mrs. H. H. Edgerton as organist. And the way in which the music of that dear old hymn filled the house made you glad you were an American. Dr. Taft was introduced as the first speaker, and delivered a masterful address. Mr. B. F. Copeland was then introduced, and received an ovation at the close of his address. It must have been very gratifying that young man. A huge bouquet was hurled at him, and while at first he hardly knew whether it was a bouquet of brick-bat, he recovered. Mr. F. Little, County Chairman, then explained the different plans of bond buying. Mr. Geo. H. Holmes started to make a Red Cross talk, but like everybody else who tries, soon launched into a telling why everybody should buy a Liberty Bond. At the close of the address pledge cards were distributed, and \$1750.00 were pledged, many making their initial, and some full payments on their bonds. Dinner was then served, and the hungry Tryonites did full duty in that line. It was with much regret that they tore themselves away from the good people of White Oak township, but they knew they were expected within a short time at Green River church, about eighteen miles away, and they departed with many "Good Lucks" and God Bless you ringing in their ears.

If a man ever tried to make a speech in his life he could not have failed at Mill Spring, for from the first to the very last word you knew the very hearts of the hearers were with you. To make a complete success of this meeting, a soldier, Mr. Grover Thompson, in khaki, as well as a sailor, in his uniform was present.

After a long and hard ride we arrived at Green River church, to find a full and being entertained in a patriotic address by Mrs. J. L. Washburn. At the close of her talk, Rev. Dr. Taft was introduced and delivered another good talk. Next came Mr. B. F. Copeland of the U. S. Navy, and made the longest and best talk of any he made in Polk county. His introduction to the crowd by Rev. Dr. Taft, was very touching, and paid a high tribute to the boys in the uniform. Rev. Dr. Taft is pastor of the Baptist church in Tryon, and opened the meeting at Green River in a short but eloquent appeal. At the close of Rev. Dr. Taft's talk, County Chairman Little explained how Liberty Loan bonds could be bought. The speaking part of the program was then brought to a close by a short talk from W. T. Lindsey, County Chairman of the War Savings Association. Pledge cards were then distributed amongst the crowd, resulting in over \$1500.00 being pledged. The fine music at this meeting was furnished by Miss Mildred Washburn and the Doubleday family, who have so willingly volunteered at several of the patriotic exercises held during the past week.

The meeting at Green River was held under the supervision of the women's auxiliary, under the direction of Mrs. J. B. Hester, and was in every way a success. The entire Tryon delegation arrived home safe and sound, but a tired lot, fully satisfied with the results of the day's work.

—W. S. S.—
MILL SPRING ROUTE 1.

I'll tell you something, and it's a wish. I wish, I wish, I wish That I could see Sunny View eating fish.

Several from this section went to Big Level, Sunday. Had a nice time. Mrs. T. Womack and children spent the week-end with her father, Mr. T. Ruppe.

Miss Oma Gibbs was the guest of Miss Beulah Odell, Sunday. Miss Sarah Gilbert is home for a short time. Rev. C. Walker spent Saturday night at the home of Mr. Robert Gilbert.

Mr. Sam Owenby said he was not 23 years of age, but only sweet sixteen. Good for him. Mr. A. A. Edwards spent Sunday afternoon at P. D. Williams'.

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PEA RIDGE.

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FISHTOP.

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SALUDA.

Miss Meta Cullipher has arrived from Norfolk, Va. for a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Cullipher. Miss Higgenbotham has gone to Tryon for a few days. Miss Acker, of Saluda Seminary, spent Monday in Hendersonville. Miss Geneva Edwards has returned to her home in Columbia, after a visit to Mrs. Ben Pace. Miss Clara Childs, daughter of Gen. Richard Childs, of Sumter, is visiting her aunt, Miss Rosa Box. Mrs. E. Allen, of Canton, N. C., was the guest of her sister, Mrs. M. Leonard, recently. Miss Ida Philips, of the Saluda Seminary has returned home after spending several months here at school.

—W. S. S.—
NEW HOPE.

Farmers would be glad to see some fair weather in this section. Several people around here attended the Liberty Loan meeting at Green River, Sunday. Some bought Liberty Bonds. Mr. Eddie McGuinn, from Camp Sevier, was visiting friends and relatives here, last week. Mr. Baxter McGuinn left for Camp Jackson Friday. His friends were sorry to see him leave. Mr. M. C. Thompson, of this vicinity, who has a wife and eight little children, all unable to support themselves, bought a \$50 Liberty Bond. Says he will pay for it some way. He loves his country. Let's everybody do all they can to help Uncle Sam win the war.

Success to the NEWS and its readers. —W. S. S.—
COOPERS GAP.

Mr. Hampton Ruff spent Saturday night with his family. Mr. Ed Jones, of Spartanburg, came up after his two children who have been spending some time visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Biddy. Dr. Waldron, from Landrum, was in this vicinity last week. Mr. J. P. Dimsdale, lost a fine cow last week. Was sorry to hear about Noah Lynch getting his leg broke last Sunday. Gee, don't seem like the girls ought to kick the boys so hard. Messrs. Belton Jackson, Joe Wilson and Montgomery Burnett are going to a log rolling of the W. O. W., at Hendersonville, this week. Miss Mae and Maude Lynch visited last Saturday night with their grandmother, Mrs. N. L. Lynch. Mrs. Etta Biddy is visiting her mother in Columbus this week.

—W. S. S.—
SUNNY VIEW.

We are glad to hear from Big Level again. Mr. Tolbert Odel made a call at Mr. U. S. Gibbs' Sunday. Rev. Walker attended at Big Level Sunday. Miss Grace Gibbs visited her grandmother, Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Burchan Gibbs visited Mrs. N. L. Lynch, Sunday. Mr. H. Holbert Whiteside made a call at Mrs. Jane Hilton's, Sunday. Miss Anna Wilson and Maggie Jackson took dinner with Miss Lizzie Williams, Sunday. Mr. C. R. Green made a call at Mr. Fonce Edwards', Sunday.

We are glad to see the POLK NEWS every week. Mr. and Mrs. Morton Gilbert visited Mrs. Garson Corn, Sunday. —W. S. S.—
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FROM OUR FRIENDS OVER THE COUNTY

Some Items of General Interest Gathered By Our Correspondents From Various Sections of Polk County

LANDRUM ROUTE 3.

There will be an all day singing at Morgan's chapel, second Sunday in May. Four choirs have been invited. Come everybody, and bring well filled baskets.

The quarterly meeting of the W. M. U. of the North Spartanburg Association was held at Morgan's chapel, on Saturday, April 27th. Delegates from Inman, Landrum, Campobello and Holly Springs, were present and gave inspiring reports of the work at these places. A society was organized at Morgan's chapel. Mr. and Mrs. L. Ross and family, of Greer, spent the day at H. P. Sharp's, Sunday. Miss Alpha Bishop, of Landrum, visited Mrs. W. S. Hall, last Saturday. Florence Foster is still very sick. She has been moved into a house near Mr. Baal Green's, where she can have better attention. Mr. J. R. Sams, our county demonstrator, was in this vicinity last Thursday, and spent the night with J. W. Arledge.

LYNN.

Rev. Mr. Kidd preached in the chapel last Sunday at 8 p. m. Mr. Kidd will preach regularly on the Fourth Sunday at 8 p. m. He is principal of Hillcrest school, at Sandy Plains, and is a member of the A. R. P. church. He will fill the unexpired term of Rev. Mr. Rankin at S. P., Columbus and Lynn churches. Mr. W. H. Stearns has placed a wire fence around the Mimosa Hotel grounds. Quite an improvement, Billy. A bunch of Lynn people motored to Greenville, last Sunday. Mr. L. V. Randall is quite spry these days owing to a new arrival at his home. It's a boy. Mr. N. W. Randall is painting the town red, commencing on Mr. Hooker's house. If paint holds out there is no telling where he will stop. It was rumored that work on repairing our road would begin the first of May. Hope the rumor is correct, as the road certainly needs it. We guess Fishtop correspondent is fishing these days, as the ground is too wet to plow. The Lynn people did their bit last Saturday, buying about \$1500 of Liberty Bonds. A service flag will soon be displayed at the postoffice, with 22 stars. Mr. D. H. Swan barely escaped

The New Friends.

I used to think the old friends
Were better than the new;
But of late I've met some new friends,
With heart beats just as true,
With hand-clasps just as genuine,
As precious as pure gold;
And now I love the new friends
As dearly as the old.

I didn't forsake the old friends
As the new ones came in view;
And I'll not forsake the new friends,
Until they prove untrue.

So long as the new remain sincere,
Their charming hands I'll hold;
(Kisses for the new made friends—
Caresses for the old!)

I'll always love the old friends,
I'll ever love the new.

O, you dearly beloved new friends,
I'm in love with you!

By the bond of friendship welded,
Fresh from the stranger's mold,
I've learned to love the new friends
As dearly as the old.

Yesterday I loved the old friends,
Today I love the new;
Tomorrow I'll love them both alike,
Beneath skies of gray or blue.

Ah, yes, adown the future years
My heart and soul will then unfold,
With friendship for the new friends,
Like the friendship for the old.

—Jas. W. Heatherly.

MILL SPRING ROUTE 2.

(Too late for last week.) Mrs. Ellen Searcy spent last Saturday night with Mrs. Bessie Lawler. Mrs. Minnie Searcy spent last Sunday with Ollie and Mertie Melton. Messrs. T. A. Searcy and J. S. Melton visited Mr. Garson Corn and his son, Sunday. Misses Ollie Searcy, Mertie Merton and Pannellia Gilbert spent a few hours with Mrs. Searcy, Sunday. Mrs. Pearl Melton visited Mrs. E. C. Lynch, Sunday. Mr. Dewey Jackson has come home from Spartanburg, S. C. He is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Jackson. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brown are expected home Sunday. Miss Viola Spicer, of Chesnee, S. C., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Green.

Miss Mollie Corn spent last Sunday with her brother, J. G. Corn.

what might have been a serious accident when the horses belonging to his company backed the wagon over the embankment near the mill, Monday morning. Mr. Ed. Foster and family have moved to Spindle, N. C. Mrs. G. H. Bradley and children, of Spartanburg, visited friends and relatives in Lynn, last week. Dewitt Cannon has enlisted in the navy, and will go to Charleston, S. C., in a few days for service. Fred Swan went to Cincinnati last week with Mr. Guy Morris, to bring some Ford cars back through the county, is expected home some time Friday. Mr. Sam S. Blackwell moved his family to Tryon, last week, and it is reported that the house he vacated is being kept for him as he will not like the Tryon water well enough to stay, and will be back before many moons. Mr. J. C. Rhodes, of Whittier, N. C., is visiting his mother, Mrs. Belle Rhodes, and family. He is looking as though Jackson county water agreed with him. Mr. William Paik passed through Lynn one day this week with his traction engine drawing his portable saw mill. It reminded us of one of those mighty tanks we read about being used on the great battle fields.

COLUMBUS.

The commencement of the Columbus High School which extended from the 19th to Monday, inclusive, was pronounced the best ever held by the school. Excellent programs were rendered each night to good sized audiences. Monday night the auditorium was packed to the doors. Most of the features of the program were of a patriotic nature. Following are the programs for each night:

Friday Night.
Seniors and High School Teachers, Prof. E. W. S. Cobb, Miss Rosa Bailey and Miss Susie Riddick. Song, Flow Gently Sweet Arton; Night in June... Girls' Chorus. Address of Welcome... Gladys Smith Class Prophecy... Esther Gibbs Class Poem... Nell Constance Last Will and Testament... Coline Rippe Piano Solo, Mountain Stream... Esther Gibbs Class Historian... Clara Feagan Song, Old Man Moses; Country Courtship... Boys' Chorus Farewell Address... Clara Feagan Presentation of Diplomas... Hon. E. B. Cloud Talks in the interest of the Liberty Loan were made by Rev. Taft and Mr. Little of Tryon, and Lieut. Copeland, of the U. S. Navy. Prayer by Prof. E. W. S. Cobb.

Saturday Night.
Recitation and Declamation Contest. How Ruby Played... Gladys Smith. Telephone Romance... Sue Gibbs Sweet Girl Graduate, Thelma Mills (Received Medal). Pro Patria... Eula Jackson Song, Morning Invitation... Mixed Chorus. Declamation, Americanism... Ernest Gibbs (Received Medal). Confederate Heroes... Joe Tallant Battle of Zaria... Ernest McMurray Piano Trio, Bessie Hamilton, Eathen Gibbs and Miss Bertha Kelz Mother Gird My Sword Around Me... Gordon Johnson, Arden, N. C. Piano Duet, Misses Bertha Kelz and Sue Johnson. Presentation of Medals by Judge E. B. Cline, of Hickory. Address by Mr. W. N. Walker, State Inspector of Schools in N. C. Sunday. Baccalaureate sermon Baptist church by Rev. Mr. W. M. Pratt, of Hendersonville. Song, Saved, Saved; All Hail, Emmanuel... Mixed Chorus Holy Is His Name... Girls' Chorus Monday 2 P. M. Debate at 2 p. m.; Resolved, That Congress should enact a law providing for the compulsory arbitration of industrial disputes. Affirmative, Joe Tallant and Archie Feagan; negative Gladys Smith and Clara Feagan. Decision given to the negative, Miss Clara Feagan receiving the medal. Piano Solos, Sue Johnson, of Arden, N. C.; Thelma Mills, Hilda Burgess. Duet, Esther Gibbs and Hilda Burgess.

Monday Night
By Primary and Grammar Schools. Miss Pearl Keenan and Mrs. T. E. Johnson, Teachers. Song, The Brook; Bird Song... Girls' Chorus Recitation, Naughty Nell... Katherine Shore. Play, History of the American Flag; Patriotic drill and pantomime, representing 48 states. Liberty represented by Bessie Hamilton, soldier, Dewitt Smith; sailor, Ernest McMurray. Patriotic Sketch by primary school. Representing soldiers, sailors, Red Cross nurse, housewife and farmer. Dialogue, Raise a Pig, by six primary pupils. Song, I Want To Raise My Boy to Be a Soldier... Boys' Chorus. Recitation, Rosalind's Surrender... Esther Gibbs. Song, Because She Didn't Stop to Think; Keep a Going... Boys Chorus Play, A Box of Monkeys, by Senior Class.

Those receiving seventh grade diplomas were, Curtis Hill, Pauline Rhodes, Leona Feagan, Aylene Edwards, Grace Holbert, Hilda Burgess, Gertrude West, Marion Smith, James Carnegie, Jodie Wilson and Roscoe McGuinn. Those receiving diplomas of honor were Curtis Hill, Guy Hill, J. Ernest Cobb, Sue Gibbs, Robt. McFarland, Inez Hughes, Eula Jackson, Guy Davenport and Ernest McMurray. At the close of the exercises Prof. E. W. S. Cobb presented Mrs. T. N. Johnson with a beautiful ring the gift of the grammar grade, of which she is teacher. Messrs. Printz Clark, Edward Newman Frank Elliott, Joe Hall and Lucine Hicks came home from camp for commencement. Mrs. Ellis Walker, of Greens Creek's visiting her daughter, Mrs. E. B. Cloud. Mr. D. E. Connor is spending the week at the home of his old friend, Mr. J. G. Hughes. Prof. and Mrs. E. W. S. Cobb tendered the annual reception to the senior class, also the teachers of the school. No doubt Mr. Hoover would have frowned had he appeared on the scene; but every senior expects a banquet as well as a diploma. Mr. Avery Elliott, son of C. D. Elliott, has purchased the house formerly occupied by Mr. Walter Hill. Mrs. Furr and son have been visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Dedmond.

ENOUGH TO DAMN THE GERMANS.

An Almost Unbelievable Story Telling of the Cruelty Practised by Them.

A TRUE STORY.

Read this story. If it don't wake you up to your duty to your country; if it don't make you jar loose some of those hoarded dollars and buy Liberty Bonds for your wife, your daughters; your sons and yourself then nothing in God's beautiful world will. In a certain section of the state of Louisiana a colony of Belgian farmers located several years before the present war. Many members of the peaceful and happy little colony had left relatives and friends in Belgium, and when prosperity began to come, thoughts of visiting the land of their birth and the loved ones left behind, were uppermost in the minds of many. Among them was a family of four—father, mother, son and daughter—a devoted family, educated and refined. In the summer of 1914 it was decided that the mother—a comely woman on the sunny side of 40, and the daughter should make the long hoped for visit, and the two arrived safely in Belgium, according to a letter written at that time. Then the horde of Prussian brutes over-ran and devastated that country, and no further word was heard by the anxious husband and father from these two innocent and helpless women, then American citizens, for two long years then the heartbroken man received the following note, smuggled through in some manner by way of Switzerland: "My Dearest Husband: "For many weary months I have sought means by which I might communicate with you, and the hope that might succeed has caused me to remain alive. Our poor child is already dead—died by her own hand, and a life of enforced shame and degradation too horrible for human eyes to express. "We were enslaved by these German beasts in human form, and then our bodies were no longer useful to them on account of the horrors of leathsome disease, we were forced to perform the most menial tasks, even to the plucking of crawling insects from their reeking and filthy naked bodies. "My own darling husband, you will now know why I can never hope to return to you, and long before this reaches our own adopted America—if I ever does—I shall be dead. "Say to our boy that I hope he will join the army in France and that his mother will pray with her last dying breath that the Almighty God will strengthen his arm that he can in some small measure avenge the things done by these vultures in human form. I pray that we shall all be joined again in the great Beyond, where things like this can never be." Devotedly your

Related by a friend, a man of the highest standing occupying a most responsible public position. He is personally acquainted with the circumstances surrounding the Belgian colony referred to, and thoroughly familiar with the facts herein related. This is the way Prussianism treats innocent women and girls. The Kaiser's hordes must not come to American soil. Our soldiers can do the fighting, but it is necessary for us to PROVIDE THE MEANS. IF WE LOSE IN THIS WAR, WE LOSE ALL THE WORLD WOULD NOT BE WORTH LIVING IN.

—W. S. S.—
SUNNY VIEW.

On account of rain the people here are not through planting. Mr. P. D. Williams and Dr. J. C. Whiteside attended court last week. Mr. Harry Bennett is very ill at this writing. Mr. Reuben Wilson left for Camp Jackson, Columbia, last Friday. Messrs. Clyde Wilson, Bill Jackson and Frank Mills were callers at Mrs. N. L. Lynch's Saturday evening. Misses Maggie Jackson and little sister spent Saturday evening with Anna Wilson. Messrs. Landrum and Birch Wilson are visiting Mr. Pink Jackson near Sandy Plains, at this writing. Mr. A. H. Lynch made a business trip to Rutherfordton, last Saturday. Messrs. Curtis and Clyde Wilson, Henry Brown and Lawton Wilson, all of Spartanburg, spent Saturday night at home. Sunny View has voted extra tax, and we will have six months' school this year. Do your bit by helping the Red Cross. Mr. King Williams was taken real sick at Columbus, last week, and was carried home. Some of the boys here attended the Columbus High School entertainment last Monday night. All reported a nice time. We wonder why we never hear from our school teacher. Hope she hasn't forgotten us. When you are through reading the NEWS don't forget to mail it to some soldier boy. Mrs. Garson Corn is very ill. Dr. Waldron attended her Saturday evening. Mr. A. F. Corbin is still at work on route 2 with the Third Liberty Loan.