

PLAIN STATEMENT TO SUGAR USERS

FOOD ADMINISTRATOR ISSUES
STATEMENT ON SUGAR SITUATION AFFECTING ALL.

DISPATCHES FROM RALEIGH

Doings and Happenings That Mark the Progress of North Carolina People, Gathered Around the State Capital.

Raleigh.

Desiring to prevent any interruption or any inconvenience to consumers or dealers using or handling sugar, Food Administrator Henry A. Page has issued a statement requesting all wholesale dealers and jobbers in North Carolina who have less than a 30 days' supply of sugar on hand to apply immediately to his office for forms upon which to make statements upon which certificates may be issued immediately for sugar sufficient to give them a 30 days' supply. There is an unusual demand for sugar for canning and preserving purposes at this period and it is important that there should be no interruption in the flow of the product through the usual channels of trade. All dealers in and users of sugar including retailers, hotels, restaurants, boarding houses, bakeries, and institutions, will be able to secure sugar only upon certificates after July 1st and no certificates will be issued to any of these who do not file their statements by July 15th.

Blank forms upon which statements may be made can be secured upon application to the sugar division of the food administration at Raleigh.

Proclamation by Governor.

Governor Bickett today issued a proclamation calling on the churches throughout the state to have the church bells rung at 7 o'clock each evening for two minutes' time, and appeals to all the people of the state and "strangers within our gates" to bow their heads in prayer while the bells are rung, their prayers to be for the success of American arms and of the arms of the allies in the great war.

This daily two-minute evening prayer period with the ringing of the church bells is asked to be kept up as long as the war lasts, the prayers to be "to the God of battles, to give to our forces on sea and land wisdom of foresight, courage and fortitude, and make them more than conquerors of the powers of evil arrayed against them."

The preamble declares: "The people of North Carolina believe in God, in His mercy and His might, so believing, it behoves us to pray that our daily offerings of blood and treasure may be acceptable in His sight, and that He may use them to establish perfect justice and perpetual peace among all the children of men."

Governor Goes to Jefferson.

Governor Bickett says he is still determined to go personally into Ashe County and make his speech in Jefferson in effort to bring about cessation of armed resistance to the draft by a group of 50 or more registrants who have "barricaded" themselves in the mountain fastnesses and are defying the local authorities. He believes that with the local co-operation that he will be able to obtain when the real war situation is fully set out, as he plans to do it in his speech in the mass meeting Saturday afternoon, he will be able to induce practically all of these registrants to come into the service as their patriotic duty.

Adjutant General Young has returned to Raleigh from Ashe County, where he had been investigating conditions relating to the 40 or more deserters who, heavily armed, are hiding out, voicing threats and defying arrest. General Young, upon his return, made a full report to Governor Bickett and made an earnest appeal, endowed and demanded by members of the Ashe exemption board and leaders in that county, for federal troops to be sent into Ashe to round up the deserters.

Mica in Demand.

North Carolina mica is in demand nowadays. Sheet mica has come to be an important war mineral through its use as an insulator in electric apparatus, especially in condensers, magnetos and spark plugs. It is used extensively in the windows of masks worn for defense against asphyxiating gases. It is put to other war purposes when used as a non-inflammable, non-shattering material in armored car windows, conning towers of war ships and submarines.

Beware "The Agents."

Internal revenue agents are on the lookout for persons who are said to be canvassing in the country impersonating federal agents and selling farmers account books telling them the government requires that they purchase the book in order to keep an accurate account of their income. It was stated at headquarters of the internal revenue department here that every effort is being made to locate such persons. Meanwhile wide publicity is being given to the plot as the farmers may be on their guard.

4,000 N. C. Men Called Out.

Three thousand colored men and one thousand two hundred and forty-seven white men will be called by local boards in North Carolina during the period from July 1 to July 16. Official advices of the call were received by the adjutant general from Provost Marshal General Crowder in Washington.

One thousand of the white men will be entrained for Camp Greenleaf at Fort Oglethorpe, on July 5, and will be inducted into general military service. Two hundred and forty-seven men will be entrained from this state on July 15 for Clemson College, S. C., to take the same course of instruction, practically, as is being given now to men at State College. Requirements for induction under this call is grammar school education. Men with mechanical experience are preferred and such registrants may be inducted voluntarily until July first, after which date they will be selected by local boards according to the quota assignment to be announced later. They will be given instructions as auto tradesmen, blacksmiths, carpenters, electricians and radio operators. Only men qualified for general military service will be accepted.

Of the three thousand colored men to entrain, thirteen hundred will be sent to Camp Dix, Wrightstown, N. J., and seventeen hundred will be sent to Camp Meade, Maryland. They must be physically qualified for general military service.

Quota assignments by counties will be announced from the office of the adjutant general later.

Rulings on Wheat Modified.

State Food Administrator Henry A. Page announced that farmers who have produced their own wheat will not be subject in the future to the same limitations as to quantity they may have ground as they have been in the past several months.

According to an abrogation of the milling program, particularly for the farmers, they will be allowed to have sufficient wheat ground to meet their demands up until October first. After that time, if the grain is in good condition, they will be permitted to have as much ground as they will need for future use unless the present rulings are altered.

The wheat conservation program will continue, however. The same amount of meal or cereals must still be purchased with white flour. As applied to the farmers who grow their wheat, they will be allowed a maximum of twelve pounds per person a month instead of the six pounds per person a month, as the request of the food administration stands now.

Heretofore the mills have been allowed only to grind enough wheat for a thirty days' supply for farmers living within three miles and enough for a sixty days' supply for those living within six miles of the mill.

New Questionnaires to be Issued.

Information received by officials here from Washington is to the effect that the second edition of questionnaires for registrants of June 5, will be mailed out beginning June 25.

No classification of the registrants will be made until after the order numbers have been determined. Just what method will be pursued in giving the new registrants order numbers has not been settled upon in Washington yet but it is thought that men who registered June 5 will not be given a serial number. It is supposed they will be given order numbers only and placed at the bottom of class one.

The local boards have been advised by the adjutant general that subsequent regulations will be formulated governing the form of the questionnaire, the period of time for returning it and so forth. It is likely there will be a slight variation on the form of the first and second editions.

Good Condition of State Banks.

The four hundred and sixty private, state and savings banks in North Carolina, including twenty-five branches at the close of business May 10, showed a net increase in resources for the year of \$35,157,904.47, according to the statement issued by the state corporation commission, showing the aggregate resources and liabilities of these banks at the close of business on May 10 as compared with May 1, 1917.

More Woman Doctors.

Registration of applicants for medical license revealed that the 1918 class before the State Medical Board of Examiners is about as large as last year's class, 74 applying for license. The examinations, which started Tuesday afternoon, are still being held. Among the applicants are three women and a number of members of the navy. These naval men secured leaves of absence in order to take the examinations now instead of waiting until the expiration of the war.

To Increase Honey Supply.

A special says the department of agriculture is making an effort to have the output of honey increased from 10 to 20 times the present yield in the United States.

North Carolina is asked to do her part. It is pointed out by the government experts that the sourwood honey of the southern mountains is of the finest quality, and can be increased without much effort. It is said that mountain women can their bit by cultivating and encouraging the honey bee.

STATE LAWYERS END CONVENTION

RESOLUTION INTRODUCED AT
CLOSING SESSION N. C. BAR
ASSN. CAUSES DEBATE.

RESOLUTION IS WITHDRAWN

After a Heated and Prolonged Discussion By Several Members the Resolution Was Withdrawn.

Wilmington.—Introduction of a resolution looking toward the naming of a committee to determine the advisability of another judge for the Western Carolina District of the Federal Court (which, however, was withdrawn following heated discussion, its opponents branding it as a direct attack on Judge Boyd), and the election of officers were the outstanding features of the concluding session of the twentieth annual convention of the North Carolina Bar Association.

The convention's only scrap was the McRae resolution urging the appointment of three association members to investigate and determine if there was reasonable necessity for a new Federal judge in the western Carolina district, the committee to report its findings to the Judiciary Committee of the National House of Representatives. McRae said the bill providing for the new judge had already passed the Senate and was now before the House committee, and that Chairman Webb had recently stated that the committee desired more information concerning the needs of the district.

G. S. Bradshaw, Greensboro, opposed the measure bitterly, declaring it inadvisable. Col. Harry Skinner was opposed to the Association taking action of this nature, declaring that there was an intimacy between the lines that Judge Boyd was incompetent, and that the resolution was a reflection on Boyd. T. B. Finley thought the move smacked of politics, and registered his opposition.

McRae spoke warmly in favor of the resolution expressing the highest regard for Judge Boyd, at the same time contending that if a judge was needed in the Western district one should be appointed. Following additional speeches McRae probably saw that his resolution was doomed and withdrew it.

Dipping Vats Dynamited.

New Bern.—Dr. O. H. Graham, state veterinarian from Raleigh, is in the city on business connected with the destruction of dipping vats in the county by lawless persons who have been using dynamite very freely during the past week or so. He attended the trial of Albert Purifoy, which was held at the court house last week. Purifoy is charged with dynamiting a vat in the Truett section of the county.

Dr. Graham, when interviewed, refused to state what action he expects to take in the matter, but he let it be known that the destruction of vats will, by no means, be allowed to put a stop to the campaign. He intimated that vigorous action will be taken.

It took from five o'clock in the afternoon until eleven o'clock at night to complete the taking of evidence and the argument of the attorneys in the case against Albert Purifoy, which was held at the court house last week.

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Durham on Bankhead Highway.

Durham.—Durham is to have its place in the Bankhead Highway. Announcement to this effect was made by Col. Benehan Caferon, just back from a meeting held in Windsor.

The Bankhead Highway, running from Los Angeles to Washington, will pass through Durham and Raleigh. This route has been accepted as preferable to the other route, which would not have included Durham and Raleigh.

The Daniel Boone trail, which has also been discussed by good roads advocates, will pass through this city.

New Homes For Employees.

Durham.—In order to relieve the big demand for houses, and to furnish homes for their operatives, the Liggett and Myers Tobacco company has let the contract for the erection of 35 bungalows in the western section of the city. Property near the Watts street school, which has formerly been owned by Mr. Brodie L. Duke, and has never been improved, is now being cleared of the growth of pine trees and underbrush, and the houses will be erected there.

Fine Report From 25 Counties.

Winston-Salem.—Reports from twenty-five North Carolina counties received at State Headquarters here for the war savings drive show that \$10,000,000 was raised at the end of the third day of the campaign. This is one-fifth of the state's quota raised already in one-fourth of the counties. The following counties had raised over half their quotas: Cleveland, Durham, Forsyth, Franklin, Granville, Iredell, Lenoir, Pitt, Scotland, and Union.

CLUBS SHOWING INCREASES

A Membership of 20,000 in Pig, Corn and Poultry Clubs is Expected This Year.

Raleigh.—With the pig, corn and poultry clubs of the state enrolling practically three thousand members each, it is believed that the club membership in the state will reach 20,000 members this year. This estimate is based upon the actual enrollment and the knowledge of conditions in average counties where difficulties are almost universally existent in getting actual members properly enrolled through the state office.

In the negro clubs to date fully 2,700 members are enrolled, largely in poultry and corn clubs. In addition to these there are over 5,500 members who receive instructions by mail but who do not get personal supervision. This work is carried on from the A. and T. College in Greensboro and is supervised by John D. Wray, farm agent. This is the third year for the work among the negroes.

The leading counties in club work for 1918 with the number enrolled to date are as follows:

Corn Club—Buncombe county leads with 167 members. Mr. E. D. Weaver, county agent.

Cotton Club—Bladen and Robeson each 17 members. Messrs. R. K. Craven, Dr. A. H. Kerr, county agents.

Peanut Club—Mecklenburg leads with 46 members. Mr. Charles E. Miller county agent.

Pig Club—Pamlico leads with 158 members. J. W. Williamson county agent.

Potato Club—Buncombe leads with 229 members. E. D. Weaver, county agent.

Poultry Club—Buncombe leads with 329 members. E. D. Weaver, county agent.

Wheat Club—Randolph leads with 30 members. D. S. Coitaine, county agent.

Confederate Monument Unveiled.

Morganton.—Morganton and Burke county celebrated the unveiling of a handsome bronze statue on the Confederate monument which stands on the court square. For years the monument has stood unfinished and the statue completing the memorial is the realization of a long cherished dream. The generosity of Capt. W. J. Kincaid of Griffin, Ga., a native of Burke and himself a Confederate soldier, made the completion possible, the statue being the gift of Captain Kincaid. It is the figure of a Confederate private standing on guard. The sturdy type of the Confederate soldier of the ranks. The statue is nine feet high and stand on North Carolina granite base, at the bottom of which are marble tablets on which are inscribed the names of Burke's men who fought for the cause of the Confederacy.

Chief Justice Walter Clark made the principal address of the occasion paying beautiful tribute to the men who wore the gray, to those whose names are held in honor in the county's history and to the donor of the statue which was erected in honor of those valiant men of Burke who followed the "bonnie blue flag." Judge Clark was introduced by Capt. L. A. Bristol, who has the distinction of being the youngest man from the county to win the badge of captaincy, having run away to the war at the age of 14.

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STRIKE ORDER ISSUED AGAINST W. U. TEL. CO.

Chicago.—S. J. Konenkamp, president of the Commercial Telegraphers' Union of America, announced that he had issued a call for a strike of members of the union employed by the Western Union Telegraph Company, effective at 7 a.m., eastern time, Monday, July 8.

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SEN. TILLMAN PARALYZED PROGNOSIS UNFAVORABLE

Washington.—Senator Tillman is now suffering from a severe recurrent cerebral hemorrhage. There is complete paralysis of the left side. The attack came on Thursday afternoon at the senate and has been progressive. Because of the previous attacks and the age of the senator, the prognosis is unfavorable." Members of the family have been summoned to the bedside and some already have arrived.

EMINENT SOCIALIST AGAIN UNDER ARREST

Cleveland, Ohio.—Eugene V. Debs, four times socialist candidate for the presidency of the United States, was arrested here by United States Marshal Charles W. Lapp and Deputy Marshal Charles Boehme as he was about to deliver a socialist address.

The arrest was made on a federal warrant in connection with Debs' speech at the socialist state convention in Canton, Ohio, June 16, last. There are ten counts charged in warrant.

GREAT LOSSES ARE FRANKLY ADMITTED

HUNGARIAN PREMIER ADMITS LOSSES IN RECENT ABORTIVE DRIVE TO BE 100,000 MEN.

WAS CAUSE LACK OF FOOD?

A Deputy Assigns "Lack of Food" As Most Probable Cause of Severe Defeat.

Amsterdam.—Dr. Alexander Wekerle, the Hungarian premier, caused a sensation in parliament Saturday with a declaration regarding the Austro-Hungarian losses in the last Italian offensive, according to a Budapest dispatch received here. The premier said that during the last few days exciting rumors were being circulated regarding the losses. These rumors, he declared, were much exaggerated.