

BAXTER CAN HAVE LECTURE COURSE

Opportunity to Get on the List of Cities for University Extension Work

Baxter Springs, if she is alert, can secure the privileges of a course of lectures this winter from the State University Extension course.

The lectures are on a hundred or more different subjects, with choice of selection, they are prepared by experts in the different lines, and illustrated by means of a powerful stereopticon and moving picture projector.

The plan is to have one person read the lectures while another operates the picture machine.

There are lectures on travels, agriculture, different industries, and every other subject at present occupying the public mind.

The matter of securing this course of lectures was suggested to the News editor by Prof. Arthur C. Terrill, who was here yesterday in the interests of the new school of mines.

Mr. Terrill suggested that the people who are interested in the promotion of education get together and form a club for the management of this lecture course and then lose no time in getting in touch with the head of the Extension Department of the State University at Lawrence. The cost will be very little and the lectures will be as good as a Lyceum course. They may be supplemented with short musical programs.

CARPENTERS IN DEMAND

Another call was received at the Chamber of Commerce Thurs. for carpenters to work on an army cantonment at Camp Meade, Baltimore, Md. The wage is 70c an hour, time and a half for overtime and double time on holidays. The next shipment will be from Cherryvale, Kas., on next Wednesday. Men must sign up here before starting. Also white and negro labor is in demand at Camp Meade, wage 40c an hour.

MEETING SUCCESSFUL

An unusually successful and satisfactory meeting of the men interested in the location of an iron works plant in Baxter was held yesterday at the Chamber of Commerce. The deal has been consummated to the point where an investigation of the proposed plant is necessary and this will be made this week. Also the site has been practically secured, providing the plant is obtained.

COUNCIL OF DEFENSE ELECTS

The local Council of Defense, at a meeting held Wed. night, elected W. W. Scott chairman to succeed George E. Harris, who resigned because of leaving the city. Harris has been chairman since the Council was organized last spring with Scott as vice-chairman and G. E. Lundgren and J. W. Kaltenbach as additional directors and C. M. Sarchet, secretary. Mr. Kaltenbach was promoted to the vice-chairmanship, and there is to be another director elected. The council discussed the government ruling which demands a Council of Defense permit to erect any building. Such permits must be approved at Washington.

RICHARD A. FARNHAM DIES IN BAXTER SPRINGS

Richard Asbery Farnham, 67 years old, died at his home in Baxter Springs Wednesday morning at 5 o'clock. Death was due to appendicitis, after a slight operation.

He was born in Arcadia, Kas., in 1851 and from there the family moved to Paola, where he spent his young manhood, and also received his early education there.

He came to Joplin thirty years ago and was interested in the Picher Lead Company there, after which he came to Galena interested with John McClaren they built the Galena Smelter which they later sold to the Hammer Bros. of St. Louis.

Three years later with J. B. O'Reilly and G. Moore they built the Webb City Smelter. Two years ago he built the Ontario Smelter in Hockerville, Okla., which he resigned in June as he and Mrs. Farnham were preparing a trip to Los Angeles, Cal., where they intended to make their future home

but owing to the ailing health of Mr. Farnham the trip was never made.

Mr. Farnham was a successful smelterman and was well respected and well liked by those who knew him.

He is survived by a wife and three daughters, Mrs. B. Russell of Galena, and Mrs. Ralph McCartney of St. Joseph, Mo., and Mrs. E. B. Horn, of Washington, state. The first two were at the bedside when death came.

He was a member of the W. O. W. and B. P. O. E.

The funeral will be held from the home of Mrs. Burt Russell, Galena, Friday at 3 p. m. Rev. John Garretson will officiate.

"LEAVE IT TO FOCH"

By J. M. Smither

A fact is a fact and this is no joke, The kaiser has cracked, his head is in soak.

Away he has backed and takes on the yoke, And fully decides to leave it to Foch.

He thought he was bold and firm as a rock, But then he got cold from helmet to sock.

And when he was told, decided to dock, And turn loose his hold and "leave it to Foch."

Most humbly he came assuming a crouch, Abandoning name, with never an ouch, And all that he has, including his grouch,

He throws in to boot, and "leaves it to Foch."

Of the job that he had, he's made a big botch, Forgetting the high and the right e'er to watch,

And since from his throne he's fallen a notch, He humbly submits and "leaves it to Foch."

Whether Folk or Foch, whether Fouch or Fatch, Now from his towers the Allies shall watch,

The British and Yanks, the French and the Scotch, The Belgians and Japs, and "leave it to Foch."

OLD RESIDENT DIES

George Culp, a well known citizen of Galena, age 55 years, died at his home at 6:30 o'clock Tuesday evening from a complication of diseases.

Mr. Culp has been employed in the mines of this vicinity for the past thirty years.

He is survived by a wife and one sister, Mrs. Alice Murray of Galena, and three nephews, Joseph Murray of Picher, Okla., Frank Myers of Quapaw, Okla., and Leslie Myers, of Union Chapel.

Funeral services are being held at the residence in Galena this afternoon. Rev. S. W. Johnson of Joplin officiating. Burial will be in the Oak Hill cemetery.

BEWARE OF THIS GERMAN LIE

The Citizen reporter was asked this morning whether or not Liberty Loan bonds were taxable. The inquirer stated that he had been told that after the war is over the state of Kansas is going to levy a heavy tax on government bonds, or something of that sort.

Absolutely Liberty Loan bonds are non-taxable, either by the city, county, state or United States. They bear 4 1/2 per cent interest and the holder gets it all. The holder of government bonds has the best kind of an investment. They may be registered so that no one else can cash them if one should lose a bond, and no taxes of any kind can be collected against them. Other securities, like real estate mortgages, industrial stocks, railroad bonds, etc., are subject to regular taxes.

Another thing, after the war, prices on everything will undoubtedly decline abruptly and to a very low ebb. Then is the time, if you are the possessor of a government bond, that you can make your dollar go much farther than it will now. You can make a bigger profit right now buying liberty bonds than you can buying real estate. The man who has money to invest in Liberty bonds now is fortunate. The man who has the money and does not buy to the limit, is not alone unprofitable; he is a fool.

A Baxter man remarked today that while all the people were out to make the world safe for democracy, some couldn't help but make use of the war to make the United States secure for the Democrats.

Somewhere in the U. S. A.



FARMERS ARE URGED TO BUY MORE BONDS

The Grave Danger Now Threatening Is That Americans Will Slacken Their Effort

Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 17.—A stirring appeal to the farmers of the 10th Federal Reserve district to increase their Liberty Loan subscriptions was issued by a committee representing the leading agricultural organizations of the country. The appeal declares:

"The undersigned representatives of the organized farmers of the nation appeal to every farmer in the country to make a record subscription to our Fourth Liberty Loan worthy of the great foundation industry of agriculture. Whoever may fall short of this great enterprise so vitally necessary for the winning of the war for democracy, let not the farmers of a single community fail to respond in fullest measure to their country's call.

"The grave danger we now face is that some of us may slacken our efforts thinking there is no longer urgent need because of the kaiser's overture for peace. Not till the enemy is back on his own soil and has unconditionally accepted the terms laid down by President Wilson and our Allies, can any loyal American abate his or her efforts. To let up for a single minute would be to give the enemy time to reorganize his forces and prolong the war. The penalty we as a nation would pay for such a mistake should it seriously affect subscriptions to the Fourth Liberty Loan would be the unnecessary loss of lives of thousands upon thousands more of our brave boys.

"Nothing will so convince the enemy of the futility of continuing the struggle and prove that the American Republic is united in its determination to force the war to complete victory as an over-subscription of the Fourth Liberty Loan, the greatest war loan in history. Nothing will so hearten our allies and dishearten the enemy. Let the farmer lead in the work."

Among those who signed the appeal are: C. H. Gustafson, president Neb. Farmer's Union; Arthur Capper, president Farmer's National Committee on War Finance; Maurice McAuliffe, president National Wheat Grower's Union; C. H. Hyde, chairman legislative committee National Wheat Grower's Association; John A. Simpson, president Oklahoma Farmer's Union.

The slacker board is the right place for the name of the man who can buy Liberty bonds and won't; but great care should be used to prevent the plan being used by some individual as a means of "getting back" at someone he dislikes.

The Germans must be hiking towards home at a lively gait. The dispatches today say they outran the Yankees yesterday.

A party of young people enjoyed a "possum hunt" on the banks of Spring river Wed. night. Two "possums" and a skunk were captured and a weiner roast was enjoyed by the following young folks: The Messrs. Jack, Jim and Bill Riseling, George Treese, Sam Sarchet, Bert Lowe, Howard Shultz, Joe Stephenson, Glenn, Charley and K. R. Lane.

BIG CROWD AT MASS MEETING

Rev. Garretson and Al. G. Williams "Burnt Up" the Tightwads Who Are Holding Back On Bond Buying

Several hundred people were out to the Liberty Bond mass meeting held on the street last night and they heard a quantity of forceful language directed against the persons who have refused to buy bonds in proportion to their means. The meeting was opened with a selection or two by Covey's band then Sec. Sarchet, of the Chamber of Commerce, introduced Rev. John Garretson. Mr. Garretson talked straight out from the shoulder in his condemnation of the practices of the Hun and he also handled without gloves all the various types of slackers in the bond drive. "If it is right for the government to enter the homes and take the young men away to war, it is also right for the government to enter the banks and conscript the surplus money that fortunate individuals have piled up, and now refuse to loan to the government in this time of need." His remarks were warmly applauded.

Al. G. Williams, of Columbus, followed Rev. Garretson and apparently catching the temperature where his predecessor had left off, he lost no time in bringing his language up to a white heat. For about an hour he bombarded the tightwad and slacker in a way that had been one in the audience, he surely must have shriveled into a louse. Mr. Williams came down from Columbus on a special call, after supper. He took special delight in telling the bond slackers what he thought of them and declared he didn't care what they thought of him, since he wasn't running for office; nor did he care what they said, for he thought it would be interesting if anyone could hatch up something new and original to say about him.

Nathaniel Burns, who was recently employed at the Jefferson Highway Garage, and the son of William Burns, of this city, died from pneumonia at the New Port News base hospital in Virginia, Tuesday. The wire message being received here at 4 p. m.

J. O. Treese, who bought the Golden Rule stock of groceries, declares that he is going to pull off a real exhibition of grocery selling Saturday, when, with special prices on everything, he declares he is going to sell out the entire stock in one day and has set that day for next Saturday. We don't know what Mr. Treese paid for the stock but he declares that he got it cheap enough to enable him to pull off a real sensation in grocery prices next Saturday.

Miss Edith Dunaway, who has been the guest of Miss Leah Chapman, returned to her home in Galena Wednesday.

Rev. Gardner, pastor of the M. E. Church in Columbus, was a visitor in Baxter yesterday afternoon.

Biffle and Sapp Attorneys, Rooms 9 and 11 American Bank Building.

S. W. Baxter of Pittsburg was here Thurs. in the interest of the Long-Bell Lumber Co., with which institution he is identified.

TO CLASSIFY OLDER MEN

Questionnaires Soon Will Be Sent to Men 37 to 46 and Youths of 18

Washington, Oct. 17.—Classification by local boards of men of the new draft registration has been so rapid that questionnaires soon will be sent to youths of 18 and men between 37 and 46 years of age. With their enrollment, the work described by Provost Marshal General Crowder as the "classification of the United States" will be complete.

Influenza epidemic conditions are such in the opinion of the general staff as to continue the indefinite suspension of the October draft calls but it is intimated the next call will be of unusually large proportions.

The chicken barbecue that took place Wed. night is reported as a big success by Mrs. Hazel Wilson who was in attendance.

Mrs. Mary Hammer of Fort Scott, is visiting Miss Hazel Wilson. Mrs. Hammer's husband was teller at the Baxter National Bank before he enlisted. He is now stationed at Fort Meade, Md., a member of the signal corps.

A. L. Linton of Alva, Okla., is visiting his daughter, Vina Shafer, who is associated with the Illinois Studio.

Mrs. Ricksecker, of Galena, was here Wed. visiting with her father, A. L. Linton at the home of Mrs. Vina Shafer.

The Misses Hazel and Ella Price of Girard, are visiting Mrs. Dr. Davis today.

Kenneth Abbott, son of J. I. Abbott of the Baxter Investment Co., is visiting home folks on a three days furlough. Kenneth is a member of the Students Army Training Corps at Baker University.

W. H. Berry returned Wednesday from a visit to his home at Aurora, Mo. During his absence he closed a deal, selling the Mississippi Queen Mine, which is one and a half miles south of Baxter, to C. G. Gillman of Joplin. Mr. Gillman expects to thoroughly develop the ground preparatory to building a mill at an early date.

Miss Nelle Anderson, one of the teachers in the Mineral Belt Business College, has returned after a short visit with home folks in Diamond, Mo.

Mrs. W. A. Hammond and daughter, Miss Rose Hammond, of St. Louis, Okla., were Baxter visitors yesterday.

L. H. Barrett, formerly a resident of this city, is here from Gas City, Kas., for a few days this week.

Mrs. Faulkner and Miss Marie Penning of Joplin were guests Thurs. of Mrs. E. M. Confer.

Mrs. Ella Bridgeman, owner of the new millinery stock in the Baxter National Bank, is spending a few days this week in Fort Scott, Kas.

Miss Leah Chapman entertained Tuesday evening at her home, "The Elms," on East Twelfth street, in honor of Miss Edith Dunaway of Galena. Misses Nelle Weaver, Scottie Nichols and Swannie Smith were guests.

J. Wilbur Logan was a business visitor in Columbus Thursday.

The registration books are now open at the city clerk's office in the city building for the coming general election to be held Nov. 5, 1918. Books will close Oct. 25, at 9 p. m. B. H. Shields, city clerk.

A letter from Reuben Jensen to his uncle, G. E. Lungren, states that he is feeling well and getting along fine in the experiences of army life. Reuben is stationed at Camp Sherman, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Grantham, Mrs. O. M. Youse, Clare and Miss Lillian Youse made a trip to the Walnut oil fields Wednesday where they have interests.

Mr. Hannah, the affable manager of Hood's, is on the streets again after taking a fling at the "flu."

Dr. Hope, a prominent member of the fire department, reports the capture of 1 skunk, 5 civit cats and 10 "possums" in their skirmish on five mile creek Wed. night. She says the "possum" will also be carved to be held tonight at the fire station.

WANTS TO KNOW THE REASON WHY

Federal Government Sends Enforcement Man to Baxter to Interview Certain Men

The city of Baxter Springs had a visitor yesterday in Paul Arbenz, a special representative of the government, who was sent to Baxter and other Cherokee county towns to enforce, if necessary, the subscription of the Liberty Loan bonds by persons who have not taken their quotas or those who are able to take an additional amount. Word was received earlier in the day that Arbenz was coming and he struck Baxter about noon, asking immediately for the local campaign committee. He is but one of a special force that is being sent out through the Federal Reserve bank at Kansas City, the headquarters of the Tenth District, which is approximately 66% behind in its Liberty bond subscriptions. In company with the committee Mr. Arbenz made several calls yesterday and thereby increased the amount of bond purchases here by at least \$20,000. He had only a few hours to put in here, but will return Saturday unless he receives word that the Baxter quota has been met.

An urgent appeal has been made from Federal headquarters that each buyer of a Liberty Loan bond wear his button conspicuously. This naturally leads to a query why the other fellow has no button. This is being made a nation-wide request at the present time.

DIED AT NASHVILLE

J. C. Wells, a bricklayer who went through the local federal labor office, to work on the smokeless powder plant at Nashville, Tenn., died at Nashville Wed. night, according to a wire received here today by his brother, W. C. Wells. Their father, A. J. Wells, is also working at Nashville. The wire said that Wells died of influenza.

TO MEET WITH DISTRICT OFFICIAL

W. W. Wyatt of the Baxter State Bank and F. S. Hall of the Baxter National went to Columbus, at an early hour today, together with W. T. Apple, representing the American National, to meet with a representative of the Federal Reserve bank at Kansas City, which is the headquarters of the Tenth District Fourth Liberty Loan campaign. The bank representatives were called in regard to the Liberty Loan campaign. The quota of Cherokee county, of the state of Kansas and of the Tenth District are all far behind, and hurry-up meetings are being held throughout the district, the same as the one today at Columbus. The Tenth District has only 42% of its quota raised. Baxter now has approximately \$175,000 raised of its \$254,000, and but two days left to make the drive.

Truman Garretson received notice yesterday to report at the Marine office in Joplin Saturday morning at nine o'clock. The message was marked urgent.

Attorney Nancie J. McNeill made an urgent trip to Columbus Wednesday night on legal matters.

KANSAS "CROP" OF BOY BABIES OUTNUMBERS GIRLS

(International News Service)
Topeka, Kas., Oct. 17.—Another year of war, if the birth rate in Kansas is to be taken as a criterion. More boy babies than girl babies were born in Kansas during the first eight months of the present year, according to figures announced by the State vital statistics department.

In 1913 the birth rate for boy babies was 1,000 in excess of the girls' rate, and the next year war was declared. This year the boy babies number 12,817 and girls 12,157.

THIEVES STEAL GASOLINE

Wed. night about 10 o'clock some one telephoned Wallie Covey that gasoline was escaping from the tanks near the Frisco tracks. Investigation disclosed the fact that some one had tried to help themselves and evidently had been frightened away, leaving the tap open. Mr. Covey estimated that about fifty gallons of gasoline had been lost.