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It becomes more apparent every day that labor must be drafted in order to keep the crops growing and the industries necessary to the winning of the war in operation.

There are other things besides poker chips which may safely be classed as non-essentials. No man in this day should waste his labor in producing non-essentials.

According to latest accounts it seems that the government has some doubt as to the advisability of allowing men to stay in deferred classes who work one or two days in the week, and play the balance of the week. It seems doubtful whether the families of such men get as much from their labor as they would receive if these men were in the army.

It appears to us that we have a few more hack drivers and dray drivers than are necessary for the convenience of the community. In fact we should not wonder if one man said that he could do all the transfer and dray business in the city. Why may not the able-bodied men who are meeting the trains be assigned to some occupation essential to crop production or the welfare of the country. Men who make less than the necessities of life at any occupation are a menace to society.

THE GOVERNMENT CALLS.

The campaign for the sale of War Savings Stamps begins today. The government must have money to wage war. The government is offering to the people the best security on earth for the loan of the necessary money. The government does not desire to be forced to raise the enormous sums of money necessary to carry on the war by direct taxation at a time when the people are in poor shape to assume the burdens.

But we are going to win the war, and it takes money to win. The government has the power of taxation, it can raise the money otherwise than by means which will least offend the welfare of the people, but the government prefers to raise the money, as we have already said, by borrowing the money from its citizens and by giving them the best obligations to be had in the world today—obligations bearing interest too at a reasonable rate.

And of all the securities so far offered by the government for the purpose of raising money none are so good as the War Savings Stamps. They have many points of advantage in their favor. In the first place, they may be bought by every person who has as much as four dollars and seventeen cents to save. This much money invested in a War Savings Stamp brings to the investor in January, 1923 the sum of five dollars. The Stamps, in order to amount to this sum, bear interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum, compounded quarterly. The whole amount of interest is kept by the government, reinvested and paid back to the investor in one sum. There is no chance therefore to receive the income in small amounts and waste it because it is small. The whole amount of principal and interest being paid at once, it may be reinvested at maturity in other securities or in other ways, and thus in fact, as well as in name, these stamps are a means of saving.

They help a man, or a woman, or a child, to lay aside something, and to learn the lesson of thrift from seeing a smaller amount grow into a larger amount, without effort on the part of the investor.

These stamps have another feature which the Liberty bonds do not possess. The government will retire them at the end of any month, or at any time, paying the full amount of money invested with the interest accumulated to the date of retirement. The stamps are therefore worth above par from the day they are purchased. The promise of the government to keep them above par is as binding as the promise to pay them at maturity. Of course, the government does not expect to be called on to so retire these stamps. The government expects every man to do his duty and that duty is to carry the stamps as long as he is able. But the fact that the denomination of the stamps is small, and, therefore, an invitation to people in poor circumstances to become creditors makes it the duty of the government to keep these people in mind, and doing this, and knowing that times come when the poorer people are in want and must have assistance, the government has provided means for them to receive the money invested whenever it becomes necessary for them to do so.

The call which has come to us will be met. The call for subscriptions to the Liberty Bonds has been met, and the call of mercy from the battlefields of France has been met, and this call will be met. The people of Abbeville County will not be slackers. They will not live under the protection of this great government and refuse to give it support.

The time may not come when, as Mr. Sparks suggested, men will be called on and told what their duty is and told in no uncertain terms to do it. We do not advocate such measures, mainly because we believe most of the people patriotic and ready to help. But a man who does not answer the calls of his government is a marked man. No man is so big that he may defy the state. No really big man wants to defy the state. He desires to assist and do his full measure, knowing that what he does not do, another must do. No brave man asks another man to carry the guns for both of them.

Our people are united as never before to win this great war. The world will be a poor place in which to live unless we win. That is the opinion of Mr. Roosevelt, Mr. Taft, Mr. Wilson and of all the great thinkers whose opinions we may safely follow. The war has been forced upon us. No man sought more faithfully, more earnestly, more sincerely, to let the cup pass than did Mr. Wilson. But Germany would have none of it. Mr. Lansing has just told us that at the very time Germany promised to quit sinking our ships, the records show that it was never intended by the German government that the promise would be kept, and that the German ambassador asked his government to warn him when the sinkings were to begin again in order that he might destroy all German ships in American waters, something which was in fact done. It is needless now to recount the murder of women and children and babes, whose innocent graves are today at the bottom of the deep, and the insults heaped upon our people.

Being in a war thus forced upon us, the question comes, first, to every man, "What have I done to win the war? and next, What can I do to win the war? and lastly, Will I do what I can to win the war? or will I play the part of a slacker, and turn my back upon the government which protects me and my household and my worldly goods, which guarantees to every man liberty and a fair chance? Do the people of Abbeville County appreciate this kind of a government? Will they support it?

America expects every man to do his duty. The duty today is to buy War Savings Stamps.

GOOD CROWDS ATTENDING
REVIVAL SERVICES

The revival services in the Methodist church are being well attended. Brother Danner is preaching strong

gospel sermons and the people are delighted with him. Let every body come and get a blessing.

Next Tuesday morning at eleven o'clock there will be special services for the children and we want every child in town to come.

Thursday morning at eleven o'clock, we are going to have an old folks service and we want every old person in the community to be present. We want you who have cars to be sure and bring those who have no cars and we would be glad if some who have cars would go to the County Home and bring any of those people who would like to come. If you have a car and will go to the County Home and bring those people in to the services, please let Rev. Mr. Daniel know that you will go.

Be sure to come to the children's service and let every old person in town come to the old folks service. We hope every one will come to these services. We want you; we need you. So come! and help to save the people.

MAGNA CUM LAUDE.

Dr. Geo. W. Swope left Abbeville Wednesday afternoon for Boston, where he goes to attend the commencement exercises in Harvard. The mission is a pleasant one for the doctor, as he is to witness the graduation of his son, Leslie Miller Swope, who is one of the leading members of his class, being a magna cum laude graduate. The record of young Leslie Swope is a remarkable one.

Born on the other side of the continent, in Oregon City, Ore., on July 10, 1898, he received his grammar school education at Elliott Street School in the City of Nashville, Tenn., and at Benj. Franklin School, in Norfolk, Va. In these schools he completed the seven grades in five years.

At the age of 12 years he entered Mathew Fontaine Maury High School, in the city of Norfolk. He held various positions of honor in the high school, being vice-president of the Language Society and president of the Hope Literary Society. He won the Y. M. C. A. prize essay was in the senior play, a member of the 1914 debating team, and graduated from the High School at the age of 15.

He entered Harvard when he was 16 years of age, holding the Rumrill Scholarship in 1914-15, the Bright Scholarship in 1915-16, the Addison Brown Scholarship in 1916-17, and the Bowditch Scholarship during this year. He was a member of the Freshman Class Debating Team in 1914 and vice-president of the Debating Club. He obtained honorable mention in the contest for the Bowdoin prize in 1918, and was one of the four to be chosen as a Sheldon Fellowship scholar. This honor ordinarily would have entitled him to a year's travel abroad with traveling expenses paid, but on account of the war, this feature has been discontinued for the present.

We noticed sometime ago that Mr. Swope was elected as a member of the Phi Beta Kappa Society, a distinction which comes to very few of the students, the award being made for highly distinguished scholarship. Mr. Swope is also a member of the Sigma Alpha Pylon Fraternity.

Abbeville will feel proud to greet the young student when he returns here in a few days full of honors. Mr. Swope will spend the summer in Abbeville. In the fall he will likely return to Harvard where he will complete his law course.

A FIRST CLASS BAND.

A first class Band has recently been organized at the Cotton Mill and they made their first public appearance last Friday at the supper given by the Sunday school. They make excellent music and in a short while will be giving a concert on the public square.

Abbeville has long needed a good band and our people will rejoice in the success of this enterprise.

The men composing the Band are as follows:

Albert Patterson—Solo Cornet.
H. L. Irvin—Solo Cornet.
W. M. Langley—1st Cornet.
C. C. Page—2nd Cornet.
Oliver Blum—1st Clarinet.
John Carter—1st Clarinet.

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G. B. Hamby—Baritone.
Walter Clark—Tuba.
Geo. Beauford—Snare Drum.
J. C. Owens—Bass Drum.
Mack Lawton—Cymbals.
The officers are as follows:
A. S. Thomas, President.
G. B. Hamby, Vice President.
C. C. Page, Secretary.
H. L. Irvin, Custodian.
Albert Patterson, Director.

MRS. SARAH ELLEN JORDAN
DIES IN COLUMBIA

Mrs. Sarah Ellen Jordan of Greenwood County, died at the Baptist Hospital Sunday night and the body was taken to her former home for burial Monday. Mrs. Jordan was the widow of the Rev. J. S. Jordan, who for a generation was a popular preacher in Greenwood and Abbeville Counties. She was 72 years old, and had been ill for a long time. She is survived by an invalid daughter.

The life of Mrs. Jordan was an illustration of the self sacrificing devotion of one who was devoted to her duty. She and her husband toiled together for the benefit of others never once thinking of accumulating gain as a reward for their labors. Through many decades her husband preached the gospel of love and helpfulness and lived it. As his companion, Mrs. Jordan shared the privations of a country preacher's poverty, and rejoiced with him in the glories of service rendered. Then came a day when he fell, and she was left to fight the battle alone. This she bravely did, occupying the little country home they had built together. An invalid daughter was Mrs. Jordan's constant care, and she bore the burden with a love unquenched and a devotion that was beautiful.

Friends directed the attention of Dr. C. C. Brown to her, and the Baptist Board of Ministerial Relief took her up, and for more than 15 years, Dr. Brown, as treasurer of his board, has sent her a monthly sum to help her in her struggle. Then

the infirmities of age came upon her and she broke completely down. Another Christian institution was open to her and to the Baptist Hospital she was brought, where she was cared for through weary weeks of suffering.

The general public, busy with the affairs of the world, does not know how many lives are barren and bleak nor how many such lives are relieved of dull monotony and grim want by such institutions as these two Christian agencies named above. And the fact that there are agencies of relief for those in need of help is an inspiration to all who desire to serve their fellows.—The State.

NAMES WANTED OF
MEN UNREGISTERED

Anderson Daily Mail.
Gen. M. L. Bonham, chairman of the local exemption board has received several notices from "friends" of other friends that the young men that were supposed to register on June 5th just past have failed to do so.

This information is gladly accepted and it is followed up, if the persons giving the information are willing to make an affidavit to this effect.

Also the government considers it the citizens duty to give this information. The local board wishes to state that if these young men who have not registered, will do so in the next few days they will not be prosecuted of a misdemeanor or punished. However, if they wait with the expectation of getting out of registering, when apprehended they will be dealt with to the extent of the law.

Littleton College

Has just closed one of the most successful years in its history. The 37th annual session will begin Sept. 25th.

Write for new illustrated catalogue, also and QUICKLY for particulars concerning our special offer to a few girls who cannot pay our catalogue rate. Address J. M. Rhodes, Littleton, N. C. 6-11-Oct. 1

VITAL STATISTICS.
May, 1918.

BIRTHS—
Whites ----- 5
Colored ----- 3
DEATHS—
Whites ----- 1
Colored ----- 8

A. L. MILLS DROWNED
NEAR HENDERSONVILLE

Prominent Greenville Banker Was
Trying to Save a Man He Did
Not Know.

Greenville, June 10.—Arthur L. Mills, one of Greenville's foremost business men, was drowned yesterday shortly after noon in Laurel Park Lake at Hendersonville, when he attempted to rescue a man who was sinking and calling for help. The man he tried to save was also drowned. The full name of the man could not be learned last night, but it is known that his name was Johnson, that his home was in Asheville, and that by trade he was a linotype operator. Eye witnesses stated that Johnson, when Mr. Mills attempted to take him to shore in his perilous situation, caught Mills around the neck and they both went down together, never to rise again. A fifteen-year-old Hendersonville boy, whose name is not known, dived and brought to shore the lifeless body of Mr. Mills about 15 minutes after he sank. A pulmotor was brought to Hendersonville from Asheville and used in an effort to resuscitate the body, but without success. Several physicians of Hendersonville worked for a long time trying to bring life back, but they were also unsuccessful.

ELECTION OF TRUSTEES.

The annual meeting of the citizens of Abbeville School District will be held in the Court House at 7:15, Tuesday evening, June 25. At this meeting one trustee is to be elected for one year; one (1) for two years, and three (3) for three years. The trustees whose terms expire are, Messrs. T. V. Howie, Wm. Barnwell, J. D. Kerr and C. A. Haigler.

J. S. MORSE,
6-14-2t. 14-21. Sec. of Board.