

OFFICIALS JOIN THRIFT FORCES

Every County Office and Jail Become Agents to Sell War Certificate Stamps.

Through the efforts of Judge Nathan L. Bachman and with the hearty co-operation of every county official, every office in the Hamilton county courthouse and the office of the county jail will become agencies for the "thrift" stamps.

Other officials, each and every one, and their clerks, have promised an undivided support to the movement and Hamilton county's magnificent courthouses promises before long to fly a "thrift" flag along with the "Liberty bond flag."

HAMILTON COUNTY SETTLES WITH VANG CO.

Compromised for Forty Thousand Dollars—Last Payment on Bridge.

After holding out and insisting that Hamilton county was indebted to him in the sum of \$123,862.62, George Vang, of the Vang Construction company, after being in consultation with Engineer J. E. Greiner, of the Market street bridge, Friday afternoon, settled his claim with the county for \$40,000, and in addition Saturday dined the Market street bridge commission, Judge Will Cummings, Engineer Bryan and Engineer Greiner.

Table with 2 columns: Claimed, Allowed. Lists various items like Air bell work, Removing dam at Pier 3, etc.

N. C. & ST. L. PRESENTS COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

The Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis Railway company has just issued, through the comptroller's office, the following comparative statement of operating revenues and expenses and taxes for the month of December, 1917, and the same month for 1918.

Table with 2 columns: 1917, 1918. Lists Operating Revenues, Operating Expenses, Net Operating Revenue, etc.

"DOINGS OF THE DUFFS" AT H. P. M. E. CHURCH

Epworth League to Present a Playlet Entitled "The Egg"—European Trip Involved.

The Epworth league of the Highland Park Methodist Episcopal church will give a play auction social on Monday night, Feb. 4, and will also present a one-act farce, entitled "The Egg," a portrayal of the high cost of living.

Europe, but does not feel able to purchase for her an egg. Wilbur, a friend of the Duffs, who poses as a representative of President Wilson, purposes to find her an egg and so save the reputation of the hen.

CHURCHES UNITE IN PRAYER HOUR

"Success and Guidance of America" Theme of Service at Y. W. C. A.

A prayer service will be held for one hour Saturday—7:30 to 8:30 p.m.—in the piano room of the Y. W. C. A. This service will open a series of meetings with the original plan of the Y. M. C. A. war work council to set aside a definite time for prayer for the success of the American army and that of her allies.

GROUNDHOG GIVES FIRST ENCOURAGEMENT

No flock of shadow will cross the path of Mr. Groundhog should he grow bold enough to venture forth today on schedule time, that is unless an unexpected and radical change take place this afternoon.

MAYOR ROCKS THE BOAT AND GETS COLD PEDALS

Quite an amusing incident occurred yesterday afternoon in connection with the mayor of Chattanooga. His honor appeared at the Signal Mountain at 4:30 and made diligent inquiries in regard to the possibility of reaching Signal Mountain Inn.

REALTY DEALS OF RECORD IN COUNTY COURTHOUSE

Chattanooga Realty company to First National bank, land in Sale Creek; \$38,000. Chattanooga Realty company to First National bank, land in W. H. Converse subdivision; \$40,000.

PRETTY GIRL "LURED" BY DASHING OFFICER

Eulah Warren, an attractive young woman, was transferred Friday evening from the Hotel Patin to the police station after Tom Staff, hotel officer, had found her in the room of an army officer.

THE WATCH ON THE RHINE



Here is where Switzerland leaves off and Germany begins. The barbed wire fence is the boundary. The river is the Rhine. This picture was taken near Basel, in Switzerland, where Victor Morgan, noted American editor, sent to Europe to report on "What Is Going On in Germany."

NOT PROPER TIME TO PASTEURIZE

Commissioner Huffaker Disagrees With Public Health Service Authorities.

Commissioner H. D. Huffaker has turned down pasteurization regulations for the present. He stated that he was in favor of the two standards of milk. The commissioner gave as his reason for opposing the recommendations of the government officials that the time is not opportune for the strict enforcement of pasteurization.

CORBIN WANTED WOODEN LEG

Cripple Held on Charge of Begging—Had Over Five Hundred Dollars in Cash.

A man who has traveled long upon life's winding roadway and who is now passing through the evening of his earthly existence fell into the toils of the law Saturday morning. At police headquarters, where a charge of begging on the street was registered against him, he gave his name as B. H. Corbin, and when searched the sum of \$566.40 is said to have been found on his person.

ANOTHER TRUNK OF LIQUOR IN LIMELIGHT

A. S. Roberson, said to be a salesman for the local branch of a large packing house, answered in the city court Saturday morning to a charge of storing liquor. Patrolmen Paul Brown and Will Light, plainclothes officers of the police department, were the officers in the case.

THRIFT STAMPS FOR SALE AT MANY MORE STORES

The local thrift stamp sale is progressing rapidly. The following business establishments have been added to the list of subagencies: The Aull-Bennett Co., Stagmaster & Co., Thomas & Moore Dry Goods Co., Chattanooga Rubber Tire works, Bryan Transfer and Storage company, Morrison Motor Car company, Joe Bergsimer, Young Women's Christian association, Citizens Savings and Loan corporation, Chattanooga Furniture company, N. C. & St. L. Railway Co.

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Attempt of Revenue Agent to Collect Privilege Tax From Contractors Fails.

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COL. FERGUSON VISITING CAMP

Engineer Officer Who Raised Battleship Maine Here on Important Mission.

The officer, who raised the battleship Maine in Havana harbor, Col. Harley B. Ferguson, of the engineers, national army, is at Fort Oglethorpe on an important mission connected with contemplated improvements at Camp Forrest. Just what the distinguished officer is doing here was not made public at the commanding officer's headquarters Saturday.

INSURANCE SHOWS INCREASE

War-risk insurance at Camp Forrest has reached the \$100,000,000 mark, with about 14,000 of the officers and enlisted men on the reservation insured. The average of the policies issued to the men at this post will be about \$7,500 to the man. Many of the companies are showing up with 100 per cent. of their personnel insured. There will be a big drive during the next few days to have the entire command insured before Feb. 15, which is the last day within which the government's very liberal plan is open to the men who were in the service Oct. 15.

PRESIDENT TAFT NOT COMING

Ex-President Taft, who has just delivered a series of patriotic addresses to the drafted men and others at Camp Gordon, will not visit the regular army posts on this tour. He goes from Atlanta to the national guard camp at Montgomery, Ala., then to other national army camps.

FIELD CLERKS ARRIVE

Field Clerks William B. Mitchell and Ralph Kniebeck, both from the camp at Charleston, S. C., are now on duty at headquarters, Fort Oglethorpe. Mr. Mitchell was regimental sergeant-major of the Fourth Alabama Infantry, now a part of the Rainbow division, which is in France.

BOXING AT TRAINING CAMP

Boxing gloves have arrived at the reserve officers' training camp and with them came a number of black eyes. The gloves are used by Capt. Billing, who is teaching the men hand-to-hand fighting. The candidates like that kind of exercise and maul each other with vigor.

ABUTTING PROPERTY LAW SUSTAINED

Chancellor Garvin Decides Case of Assessments of Caldwell-Griffiss Property.

The validity of two assessments on the property of James A. Caldwell and J. C. Griffiss was sustained Saturday morning by Chancellor W. B. Garvin when he handed down a decision in the case of The City of Chattanooga vs. James A. Caldwell and J. C. Griffiss.

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The assessments were made against the defendants on the property in the block between Sixth and Seventh streets extending from Market to Broad streets. The chancellor's decision was based on the abutting property law. The assessments were made under the abutting property law when the city made improvements on the streets on which the property is located.

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The abutting property law was drafted by W. J. Frierson while he was serving as mayor of Chattanooga and later, when this suit was brought, he was city attorney and in that capacity instituted the suit. The suit was first tried by Mr. Frierson, and later, when he was succeeded in office by Frank Carden, the latter took up the prosecution of the case. The decision handed down Saturday morning by the chancellor.

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As per Dr. Garfield's order, these plants must not operate on Monday. About ten days ago a special ruling was issued by which all plants using electrical power generated by hydro-electric plants were exempted from the Garfield order. The high water interferes with the operation of the hydro-electric plants supplying Chattanooga with power and the auxiliary steam plants will be pressed into service. This will force users of electric power to close their plants.

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