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Shares Subscribed

In the Big Stone Gap Home Building Association by Members of the Young Men's Club.

Last Wednesday evening the Young Men's Club met to hear the reports of Committee and to discuss the building situation.

After a reading of the minutes of last meeting by the Secretary, the President asked for reports from three committees which had been appointed at a previous meeting to get the names of men who would build, and those who wished to rent or buy, with terms which the latter wished to make.

Mr. W. J. Smith read out the names of ten men who wish to rent or buy. Those names and the propositions advanced may be obtained from Mr. Smith, chairman of this committee.

Mr. W. S. Miller, also a member of this committee, then read three most edifying and instructive as well as entertaining letters from men employed by the Southern Railway. Each desired most heartily to cooperate with us, and indicated a real wish to become citizens of our town in the near future.

Mr. Stuart, chairman of the committee on the Big Stone Gap Home Building Association then, after a brief consultation with the President, Mr. Wren, called on those present to indicate their good will and sincere interest in the movement as well as their faith in the proposition and give their names as subscribers to stock in the Association. The amount subscribed on the spot showed all present that the majority of the members of the Club were behind the new Association as well as that one or two others who had not become as yet affiliated with the Young Men's Club, felt confidence in what the Association would do.

The meeting was adjourned shortly after every man present had been asked to subscribe, and the result gave the Club a feeling of keen satisfaction that at last the movement to build more homes for Big Stone Gap had gotten a firm footing.

Immigration

Will Probably be Prohibited for Several Years.

Washington, Jan. 28.—Prohibition of immigration for four years after the war, except from Cuba, Mexico, Canada and Newfoundland was agreed upon unanimously today by the House immigration committee.

Chairman Burnett announced that he would ask for a special rule to permit early consideration of the measure by the House.

"If the bill is not passed by the present Congress its purpose will be partially defeated," Mr. Burnett said. "It is intended to prevent a great flood of immigrants coming here as soon as peace is signed and driving our own people out of work and also to keep out the Bolsheviki."

A number of amendments accepted permit the admission of relatives already in this country and of persons skilled in certain occupations and professions.

Hearts Of The World

Great Virginian Brings His Greatest Show Here.

The biggest event in the entire season in the world of motion pictures, will be the presentation of D. W. Griffith's latest film masterpiece, "Hearts of the World," which comes to the Amuzu Theatre, Big Stone Gap, Va., for an evening performance Friday, February 7, and a matinee and evening performance Saturday, February 8.

"Hearts of the World", he required eighteen months in the making, and many of the scenes were taken on the actual battlefields of France by Mr. Griffith, with the official aid and assistance of the British and the French governments. Mr. Griffith, however, is anxious to remove any apprehension that "Hearts of the World" is primarily a war picture. It is, he announces, primarily a love story, in which war figures as the grim background. It may be called "the story of a village", and for more than forty minutes during the exposition of the story, there is not a cannon shot, not a suggestion of war's alarms. There is the pretty romance of two girls each in love with the same man; there is the quiet and peaceful atmosphere of a small French town before the holocaust of war. Then comes the conflict, with its ensuing effects upon the fortunes of those in the little village. The battle scenes shown are actual battles scenes taken right in the trenches during the death struggles of the French and Germans; only occasionally has it been found necessary to piece the story of the battles together by means of acted scenes. Thus one sees the life in the trenches; the charges of the French soldiers; the thrilling hand to hand conflicts and the thrust of the bayonets; the murder of the shells; the great guns in action; the tanks; the attack by liquid fire; the charges and the retreats; the German pill boxes; the flight of the villagers; the ruthless destruction of property; the treatment of young girls who fall into the hands of the Germans; and other things too numerous to mention, the whole culminating in the arrival of the American troops, of ultimate victory and a hint of future happiness for those who have endured this terrible struggle.

Mr. Griffith is anxious to have it understood that while "Hearts of the World" deals with war and love, it is a drama he has staged, rather than a propaganda film. Yet no one can sit through his wonderful pictorial representation of the tragedy of Bleeding France, without going forth more satisfied than ever over the fact that this conflict has been won, that the Allies have triumphed over their adversaries, and that such grim horrors of war must never happen again in the history of the world.

Prominent in the cast of "Hearts of the World" are the beautiful Gish sisters, Lillian and Dorothy, Robert Harron, George Fawcett, George Sigman, and other well-known players.

The scale of prices for this super play are: Matinee, 50c, 75c and \$1.00, nights, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50. Reserve seats are now on sale at Kelly's Drug Store, adjacent to the Theatre, Big Stone Gap.

Wedding at Dante.

A quiet wedding, which is of unusual interest to a number of people in this section, was solemnized at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Long at Dante on Tuesday of last week, when their daughter, Charlotte Hutter, became the bride of Harry Roy Stuart, of New York. The Rev. E. A. Rich, arch deacon of Southwest Virginia, performed the impressive ring ceremony.

After extensive bridal tour to eastern cities the young couple will be at home at Dante, where Mr. Stuart has a position with the Clinchfield Coal Corporation, of which Mrs. Stuart's father is vice-president.

Employment Service

For Soldiers, Sailors and War Workers.

The Department of Labor, United States Employment Service, has established a Bureau at Norton, Va., for the sole purpose of giving every possible assistance to returning Soldiers, Sailors, and War Workers, who apply to the Bureau for help.

This Bureau is operated without cost to employee or employer, and all persons named above desiring the help of the Bureau in placing them should write to or apply in person to the undersigned.

W. E. COMANN, Manager,
Norton, Va.

Extension Division to Have Tractor School At Roanoke.

The Extension Division of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute will hold a tractor school for farmers at Roanoke, Virginia, beginning February 10 and last through the 15th. Instruction in this school is free to any farmer of the State and the program for the five days will consist of lectures and practical work on the makes of tractors, chiefly those that are most used in Virginia. The farmer will study the tractor itself, not a text book.

In order to operate a tractor economically the farmer must understand its mechanism. This course is planned to give instruction on the practical points in the care and management of tractors, and is similar to those which have been given in other states. These courses have enabled the farmer many times to save more than the expense incurred in operating the tractor for the year. The best tractor specialists from the agricultural colleges will lecture on the general principles of the care and operation of tractors, and experts from the manufacturing companies will explain the construction, care and operation of their tractors in the laboratory.

Farmers should at once get in

touch with their county agent who will give full details about this school. In counties where there is no agent, those interested should write to the Extension Division, Blacksburg, for any information they desire.

Go to church next Sunday.

Farm Help

Difficult to get in the Old Dominion.

Richmond, Va., Jan. 31.—The Farm Service Division of the U. S. Employment Service is finding it a rather difficult undertaking to secure an adequate labor supply for the farms of Virginia. While labor for industrial purposes is becoming more plentiful and all indications point to a surplus in the immediate future, applications for farm work are not keeping pace with the demand by any means.

At the office of James B. Bots, Federal State Director, it was stated today that the Farm Service Division now has on file a large list of land owners who would let their farms to desirable tenants on a share basis, the owner furnishing everything required. The tenant should preferably be a man with sufficient family to provide his own labor supply.

Then, there are a class of land owners who are anxious to employ first class farm labor, the rate of pay being from \$25.00 to \$40.00 per month, with living quarters, garden and other free inducements. The opportunities offered, in many cases, according to George M. Inman, who is in charge of the Farm Service Division, are such as to attract a superior class of skilled farmers.

Unless more men can be induced to return to the farms the shortage of farm labor will become acute. Virginia faces a reduced acreage this year, just when the world cry of "famine" rings in our ears, and the opportunity to make money following the plow never appeared better.

Any first class farmer or farm laborer desiring a position as tenant or wage earner should file his name and full particu-

lars with the Federal Directors, U. S. Employment, Farm Service Division, P. O. Drawer 1637, Richmond, Va.

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Preserving Letters

Director of Legislative Reference Bureau Compiling Valuable Data of War.

The scheme of Lewis H. Machen, director of the legislative reference bureau for preserving valuable letters written by soldiers in France to Virginians, promises to result in a set of several volumes of interesting communications written during the period of hostilities.

Mr. Machen's exchange list contains nearly every paper published in Virginia, and being struck with the large number of soldiers' letters appearing in them, he laid the plan of preserving them before the Virginia Council of Defense, of which Mr. Machen is a member. The council approved the plan, which contemplates turning the scrapbook over to Dr. H. R. Mellwain, State Librarian, who will prepare a complete index.

Mr. Machen has extended his original idea to take in not only a complete casualty list, but also other interesting articles of an appropriate nature, which, however, will be out in separate volumes. When completed this set will, it is thought, reflect the activities of Virginia soldiers more accurately and vividly than could be done in any other manner.

Mr. Machen is anxious to receive copies of clippings that have been made by relatives and friends of Virginia soldiers. He has already several thousands of them, but he wishes to make the symposium as complete as possible. Some of the newspapers in the State he has not received. Some others he may have overlooked. There would be no objections to having duplicates, as some of the letters are on both sides of a printed paper, and two copies are needed for clipping. Of course, only those items that have been printed are suitable for the scrapbooks.

Mr. Machen expects the people of the State to co-operate in making up such a record as the State never had of the sayings and doings of her soldiers in any of the wars in which her sons have fought. It will constitute a mine of information for historians who may wish to write of Virginia's part in the world war.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Go to church next Sunday.

Stockholders' Meeting.

The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Interstate Railroad Company will be held at the Belvoir Hotel, Alexandria, Virginia, Wednesday, February 19th, 1919, at 12:30 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of hearing annual reports, electing a Board of Directors, and transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

H. B. PRICE,
Secretary.

GREEN'S AUGUST FLOWER

has been a household remedy all over the civilized world for more than half a century for constipation, intestinal troubles, torpid liver and the generally depressed feeling that accompanies such disorders. It is a most valuable remedy for indigestion or nervous dyspepsia and liver trouble, bringing on headache, coming up of food, palpitation of heart, and many other symptoms. A few doses of August Flower will relieve you. It is a gentle laxative. Sold by Kelly Drug Company.

HOW FARMERS CAN GET NITRATE

The United States Department of Agriculture will again sell nitrate at cost to the farmers in every county of Virginia. The price will be \$81.00 per ton free on board cars at loading point or port and farmers must pay freight to their shipping point. Application for nitrate will be received only from actual farmers or owners or holders of farms for use on that land and those desiring to purchase nitrate must file their application with some member of the local committee appointed by the agricultural agent in their county.

In every county where there is an agricultural agent the latter has appointed a committee of three or more local business men to assist him in the sale of the nitrate. These men have been appointed from different parts of the county so that they may be easily accessible to the farmers. Their names will be announced in the local newspapers or may be gotten from the county agricultural agent.

In any county where there is no agricultural agent a committee of three or more local business men has been appointed by the director of extension work to arrange for the sale of the nitrate.

The chairman of such committee will perform the duties that would have fallen to the county agent if there had been one. Any farmer living in a county where there is no agent to manage this business, and who does not know the names of the local business men having this matter in charge, should apply at once to the State Director of the Extension Division at Blacksburg for the information. The Director will give full details of the plan of procedure necessary for any farmer to follow in getting his nitrate.

Last year the nitrate sold by the government to the farmers proved very valuable. The agricultural agent in Washington County, Va., reports that nitrate when used on corn made a difference of from 7 to 10 bushels per acre. It is probably, however, that the nitrate proved most efficacious in the tobacco growing section of the state.

It is evident the peace of 1918 was not the piece the military machine of Potsdam had been looking for but it might have been worse although it is hard to pound logic thru a hitching post.

Stockholders' Meeting.

The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of The Virginia Coal & Iron Company will be held at the Belvoir Hotel, Alexandria, Virginia, on Wednesday, February 19th, 1919, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of hearing annual reports, electing a Board of Directors and transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

W. C. KENT,
Secretary.

Stockholders' Meeting.

The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Wintz Corporation will be held at the Belvoir Hotel, Alexandria, Virginia, Wednesday, February 19th, 1919, at 12:15 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of hearing annual report, electing a Board of Directors, and transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

W. C. KENT,
Secretary.



Two of the leading characters and scene from D. W. Griffith's supreme achievement, "Hearts of the World" coming to the Amuzu Theatre, Big Stone Gap, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 7th and 8th, for two evenings and one matinee performance. Seats now on sale at Kelly's Drug Store, Big Stone Gap, Va.