

HALLSVILLE HEARS CANDIDATES' CLAIMS

Rockyfork Voters Turn Out at Political Speaking—A Snowstorm of Cards.

SOME VERBAL TILTS

The Rev. Mr. Mayhall Defends Word "Damn" and Uses It Freely.

More than a thousand people from Rockyfork township and from Columbia attended the "political speaking" at Hallsville last night. The political cigars passed freely. Nothing else in the delicatessen line proved so attractive except the mustard-cheese sandwiches on the rear counters of the grocery stores.

Candidates' announcement cards littered the whole main street, where a large hay wagon, decorated with flags, made a speakers' platform. Barefoot boys trotted importantly back and forth with girdles of candidates' cards stuck under the shoe string bands of their straw hats like Indian headdresses. Youths who were to be initiated into the mysteries of the ballot for the first time at the coming primaries, stood on the curb and shuffled whole decks of candidates' cards. Every window had its array of round-cornered cards, announcing that Mr. Candidate "would appreciate your vote in the coming primaries." They were stuck in the screen doors, they twitched nervously in the fingers of the candidates who were to speak, they littered the dust of the street.

All Ages There.

"I'll bet you \$3,000, folks is as dead as Bryan." "I'm doin' my yellin' for Nelson." Such expressions as these mingled with the talk of prize heifers, the war, letters from the boys at the front, the dry weather, and the political tilt that had occurred at Centralia, where many of the audience had heard the addresses before. Men upwards of 80 years vigorously stamped their canes on the ground to emphasize their arguments. Little children played tag through the assembled crowd.

At last the big moment came. Even the children grew quieter as the candidates for Congress were announced. These were the candidates who had made the chief fun at Centralia, and no one was going to lose out at Hallsville.

"Don't let Cooper County put a baby on your doorstep, and then ring the bell," said Congressman Dorsey W. Shackleford, as he reminded the audience of the youth of his opponent, W. L. Nelson, and put forth the claim that he was not a native of Boone County, but had done his voting for the greater part of his life in Cooper. Shackleford traced his own ancestry, to show that if he had been represented in every war of our country. Then he turned upon Nelson. He again spoke of the youth of Nelson, and begged the people of Rockyfork Township "not to make a training school out of Congress in wartime."

Attacks Newspapers.

Returning to his own record, Shackleford accused the newspapers, especially the St. Louis Republic, of placing him in a false light. He said that the crime he was arraigned of was voting against the war. He proclaimed that he did so, and that most Boone Countians in his position would have done so. He said that he was but supporting the shibboleth of the Democratic party in the last presidential campaign. He said he considered the heavy burden of taxation, and the awfulness of sending our boys to war, but declared that he stated that he would support the United States if she entered the war.

Frederick Mayhall followed Congressman Shackleford. He commenced with a defense of the word "damn," and after explaining it, and illustrating its use by a quotation from the Rev. Dr. Burris Jenkins, he began what someone characterized as one of the most violent invectives, against Nelson in particular, but against a lot of folks in general, since Cicero hurled his anathemas against Catiline on Capitol Hill.

"Speaking of 'locking up' some candidates," he said, "we have got to 'lock down' some candidates. I'm going to raise the dead. You can get ready for it right now." Then, as if with an afterthought, he said that he was raised by his grandmother, and she had taught him never to speak disrespectfully of the dead, and Shackleford was dead, and he didn't intend to abuse him. Then he passed Shackleford to some one else, first giving the particulars of his education and training, some instances of his work as a lawyer, and enumerated a half-dozen churches in St. Louis which he had served as pastor, "without money and without price."

Fond of the Word.

"Now if any damn scoundrels want you to look me up, you know where I have lived," he said, as he told of the rottenness of some of his opponents whom he did not name, and who he said would try to count him out at the ballot, but that he "would be at the countin'."

"Adjust your steel helmets," he said dramatically, "and put on your gas masks." The spectators slid a little

THE CALENDAR

- Aug. 1.—Deciding game in Twilight League, Faculty vs. Soldiers, Rollins Field, 7 p. m.
- Aug. 2.—County teachers' examinations, Agricultural Auditorium, beginning 8 a. m.
- Aug. 2.—County candidates at Midway, 7 p. m.
- Aug. 2.—Parents of men in national service meet, Courthouse, 7:30 p. m.
- Aug. 3.—County teachers' examinations, Agricultural Auditorium.
- Aug. 3.—State teachers' examinations, Agricultural Auditorium.
- Aug. 3.—County candidates at Ashland, 7 p. m.
- Aug. 5.—County candidates speak at Courthouse, 7 p. m.
- Aug. 6.—Primary election.
- Aug. 8.—Soldiers' minstrel show.
- Aug. 10-17.—Missouri State Fair at Sedalia.
- Aug. 15.—Second War School begins at University.
- Aug. 27, 28, 29.—Entrance examinations at University.
- Aug. 30, 31.—Registration at University.

closer, and the old men put their hands to their ears. "I hadn't been in the insurance department in Jefferson City three years until I smelt a stink. I found some fellows in the sewer over there."

Again, dramatically, he warned his hearers to watch out, that something was coming. It came, in violent gusts that reeked and shocked his hearers. He said that certain very morbidly criminal folks over at Jefferson City tried to steal the Cole County jail, and would have done so if he had not prevented. He said this same gang made inroads upon the state lumberyard, the state's cement and coal. He told of some mysterious "\$1,000 bills, passed around as free as candidates' cards today," in the State Legislature. Then he said that all these folks had joined to support "one" of his opponents and to fight him and Folk to the end.

"I'm a peacemaker," he said, as he told of his ambitions to suppress evil. He said that he intended to go to France immediately after the primaries, and that he was the only man in the race who had a son there. He dared his opponents to "trump this trick."

He wound up with a dramatic peroration that ended with "to hell with the devils that stand between me and Congress," and surrendered the platform to W. L. Nelson.

Nelson Speaks.

Mr. Nelson said that he was the same age as Shackleford was when he entered the halls of Congress. He said he believed that those who had grown old in the service should give way to the younger men in order to strengthen the cause of the boys in the Army.

Nelson asserted that the men connected with the scandals in Jefferson City were his opponents. He said that, if he were elected, he "would not leave the halls of Congress during the busy hours of war to insure his reelection," and that he would be defeated if he could not be re-elected without coming back home at such a time. He promised to give up his job to a soldier without a fight after the war, if a worthy soldier ran for office.

Nelson accused Shackleford of not supporting the policies of Wilson, not only in voting against the declaration of war, but in other measures, as the draft, the fuel and food administration, and the appropriation bill for the conduct of the war. He exhibited a paper nearly a yard long containing a list of the roll calls not answered by Congressman Shackleford. He quoted from one of his speeches in which he asserted that Mr. Shackleford said that these "bonds (meaning, as he said, liberty bonds) were hawked about by the Secretary of the Treasury to the poor people, because the rich won't buy them."

In his rebuttal, Shackleford merely stated that Nelson was in error when he stated that he did not vote for the food conservation bill, that he did vote for it.

Harris vs. Stephens.

Earlier in the evening the "roughing-up" had commenced with the speeches of the candidates for state senator, F. G. Harris and J. L. Stephens. Harris read from some of the papers in the senatorial district some articles complimentary to himself. Stephens accused him of influencing the papers to commend him.

George Starrett, candidate for prosecuting attorney, who has no opponent, referred the debates of the other candidates in a fair and satisfactory way. He called down each candidate as soon as his time was up. During the program he announced the "free matinee" of the candidates this afternoon at Sturgeon.

The following other candidates spoke: For county collector, W. T. Johnson and M. G. Proctor; for recorder of deeds, John L. Henry and A. W. Pasley; for probate judge, H. A. Collier, and John F. Murry; representative in legislature, Stockton Fountain and W. H. Sapp. All the candidates who spoke first were given a period for rebuttal if they wished it. All of the county candidates were present, but only those with opposition spoke.

SAVING MUST GO ON, SAY FOOD DIRECTORS

Joint Resolution Adopted at Allied Conference Held in London.

A PLEA TO AMERICA, Must Prepare for Long War If We Are to Insure Victory.

A plea to the people of North America and of the Allied nations to continue rigid economy and the elimination of waste in the consumption and handling of all foodstuffs is contained in a joint resolution of the food controllers of the United States, Italy, France and Great Britain received from Herbert Hoover by F. B. Mumford, federal food administrator for Missouri, this morning. Mr. Hoover is now in London conferring with the food administrators of the Allies in regard to food conditions. The resolution follows:

"Resolved, that while the increased production of the United States renders it possible to relax some of the restrictions which have been borne with peculiar hardship by all our peoples, yet it is absolutely necessary that rigid economy and elimination of waste in the consumption and handling of all foodstuffs, as well as increased production, should be maintained throughout the European Allied countries and in North America.

"It is only by such economy and elimination of waste that the transportation of the necessary men and supplies from North America to the European front can be accomplished, and that stocks of foodstuffs can be built up in North America as an insurance against the ever present danger of harvest failure and the possible necessity for large and emergency drafts to Europe. We cannot administer the food problem on the basis of one year's war; we must prepare for its long continuance if we are to insure absolute victory."

The districts which received the honor flags are: Potts, Judy, Banks, Via, Turner, Robnett, Nashville, Midway, Strawn, Haydon, Burnett.

Those which will receive certificates are: Angell, Dinwiddie, Turner, Woods, Roberts, Bethlehem, Middletown, Owens, Grandview, Waters, Mt. Zion, Varnon, Turner, Richland, Wade, Murry, Walnut Grove, Linden, Vawter, Bethel, Grindstone, Carlisle, Deer Park, Lakeview, Prospect, Warner, Englewood, Ellis, Maple Grove and Claysville.

NEW TRUSTEES FOR COLLEGE

Two Columbians and Two Mexico Men on Christian Board.

Recently elected members of the Board of Trustees of Christian College are N. D. Evans and Berry McAlester of Columbia, J. T. Johnson and S. M. Locke of Mexico, Mo.

Mr. Johnson is a widely known citizen of Andrain County. His daughters, Misses Louise and Marsena Johnson, are returning to the college in September for their third year. Mr. Locke has been connected with banking and commercial interests in Mexico for many years. His two nieces, Mrs. Fred Morris of Mexico, and Mrs. Clarence C. Madison of Independence, Mo., are alumnae of Christian.

Germany May Recall Envoy.

LONDON, Aug. 1.—Germany is contemplating the recall of Ambassador Von Mumm and handing passports to the ambassador from the Ukraine in Berlin, pending the clearing up of the situation in Kiev, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Amsterdam under Wednesday's date.

To Stand Retreat Tonight.

The soldiers of the University War School will stand retreat again this evening. The ceremony will take place a little before 7 o'clock. Retreat will be held beginning tomorrow evening at 5:30 o'clock.

23 MORE NAMES ADDED TO PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

The Boone County Parents' Association will hold its regular weekly meeting at 7:30 o'clock tomorrow night at the Courthouse. Dr. Isidor Loeb will make a patriotic address, Mrs. C. B. Sebastian will sing "The Star-Spangled Banner" and Mrs. L. W. St. Clair-Moss will tell what the women are doing to help win the war.

The following have enrolled since the list of members was published in the Missouriian some time ago:

- | Parent | Son | Service |
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| W. E. Fay | James C. Fay | Army |
| Kate L. Horine | Ralph Horine | Army |
| E. J. McCaustland | Gwynne McCaustland | Army |
| D. A. Robnett | Barton Robnett | Navy |
| Mrs. Victor Barth | Paul Barth | Army |
| Mrs. Lena Hill | James Hill | Army |
| E. C. Batterton | Tracy Batterton | Army |
| F. A. Henninger | Joseph Henninger | Army |
| | Tony Henninger | Navy |
| O. M. Stewart | Lawrence Stewart | Navy |
| Richard Clark | Charles Clark | Navy |
| C. F. Valentine | Leslie C. Valentine | Army |
| | Slater B. Valentine | Army |
| C. C. Prather | Earl Prather | Army |
| P. S. Quinn | Turner Quinn | Army |
| J. A. Heibel | Homer Heibel | Army |
| | Joseph Heibel | Army |
| John Hoersch | John H. Hoersch | Army |
| | Carl D. Hoersch | Army |
| Wilfred Arnett | Eddie Arnett | Army |
| William McCasky | Russel McCasky | Navy |
| Mrs. W. Wade | John O. Matthews | Army |
| Louis Kreutz | Mayfield Kreutz | Army |
| Sidney Calvert | John P. Calvert | Army |
| J. G. Babb | Glenn Babb | Army |
| D. D. Moss | J. Sam Moss | Army |
| | Clarence Moss | Army |
| A. H. Shepard | Clyde Shepard | Army |

C. B. Sebastian, president of the association, asks that all omissions or errors in the list be reported to Emmett McDonnell, the secretary.

HONOR CERTIFICATES TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Idea Suggested by J. P. McBaine Adopted by War Savings Headquarters.

43 REACHED QUOTA Will Receive Permanent Record of Achievement in Stamp Sales.

A suggestion of J. P. McBaine, Boone County chairman of the War Savings campaign, that districts which have reached their quota of War Savings Stamps be awarded certificates, has been adopted by the Missouri committee on War Savings Stamps.

Of the forty-three districts which reached their quota, in this county, eleven were awarded honor flags. The other thirty-two have been awarded certificates.

In a letter to headquarters of the Missouri War Savings organization at St. Louis, Mr. McBaine said: "I believe that a printed certificate framed and put upon the wall of the school house would perhaps be as good as a flag. My idea is that some recognition should be given to each school district that has raised its quota—something tangible that the people can see. I find a great desire on the part of my committeemen to have made for them some sort of permanent record of their achievement. Maybe certificates would be more valuable for a lasting record than flags."

Wheaton C. Ferris, member of the committee on management, answered: "This suggestion has been adopted by the committee, and the certificates will be sent to the county chairman as soon as we are able to get them made to be distributed to the different schools."

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ASKS \$2,500,000 CREDIT

British Government Seeks Largest Appropriation in Its History.

LONDON, Aug. 1.—In asking for a vote of credit of 700,000,000 pounds in the House of Commons today, Andrew Bonar Law, chancellor of the exchequer, said that the largeness of the amount was not due to increased expenditure but to the fact that Parliament was asked to adjourn.

The vote asked is the largest in the history of the country. It is intended to carry on the war until the end of October.

TO INCREASE FEDERAL TAX

House Committee Would Double License of Tobacco Dealers.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—Federal license taxes on retail dealers in tobacco, cigars and cigarettes were doubled today by the House Ways and Means Committee in framing the War Revenue Bill.

Federal license for amusements was also doubled.

THE WEATHER

For Columbia and Vicinity: Fair tonight and Friday; warmer tonight. For Missouri: Fair to-night and Friday; warmer to-night.

Weather Conditions.

Showers have continued along the Gulf and Atlantic coasts from Galveston to New York, but no rain of consequence has occurred in the interior of the United States or southern Canada. Fair weather prevails this morning in the middle western grain states, the southwestern cotton belt, and the cattle range. From the upper Mississippi west to and including the Rocky Mountains the weather is somewhat unsettled and threatening.

Temperatures are higher this morning than at the same time yesterday but continue moderate to pleasant for midsummer.

In Columbia mostly fair weather will continue over Friday.

Local Data.

The highest temperature in Columbia yesterday was 84; and the lowest last night was 58. Rainfall 0.00. Relative humidity noon yesterday was 31 per cent. A year ago yesterday the highest temperature was 102 and the lowest was 77. Rainfall 0.00.

(Summer Time) Sun rose to-day, 6:09 a. m. Sun sets 8:21 p. m. Moon rose 1:34 a. m.

The Temperatures Today.

7 a. m.	61	12 noon	85
8 a. m.	66	1 p. m.	88
9 a. m.	72	2 p. m.	90
10 a. m.	76	3 p. m.	92
11 a. m.	83	4 p. m.	93

TO EXTEND DRAFT AGE

War Department Bill Will Be Introduced in Congress Next Week.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—Plans of the War Department for enlargement of the military program, including the extension of the draft age limit in both directions, have been virtually accepted, Secretary Baker announced today.

The War Department bill will be introduced into Congress next week to enable the military committee to begin proceedings without delay.

Mr. Baker would not reveal the age limit to be recommended by the Department. He said, however, that the report that the limits were to be between nineteen and forty years was incorrect.

NO FEAR OF U. S. SAYS KAISER

Emperor Says His Army and Navy Will Be Victorious.

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 1.—The coming of American armies to France and the numerical superiority of the Allies do not frighten the German people, declared Emperor Wilhelm in a proclamation addressed to the German army and navy.

"The vital forces streaming across the sea to the enemy," he said, "are being attacked by German submarines which are certain to be successful."

The emperor in his proclamation, which was dated August 1, alluded to the success which the German forces have won, the bringing of peace to the Eastern front, and the heavy blows dealt the Allies the present summer. He assured the army and navy that although they were in the midst of the hardest struggle in the war, they would be victorious.

QUIET ON BRITISH FRONT

Germans Unaware of Magnitude of Allied Victory on Marne.

WITH THE BRITISH ARMY IN FLANDERS, Aug. 1.—The ground on the British front is now drying out under the hot sun. Except for the barrages here and there and the usual artillery fire on both sides, the front here is quiet.

There is evidence that the German defeat on the Marne is having full effect on the German troops on this front, in spite of the fact that its magnitude is unknown.

Some of the prisoners were under the impression that while the German army had fallen back it was still holding Chateau Thierry. They knew absolutely nothing about the Entente-Allied advance to Fere-en-Tardenois.

ENEMY USED 45 DIVISIONS

Many Employed Several Times Says Newspaper Echo de Paris.

PARIS, (Havas Agency), Aug. 1.—In the fighting on the Soissons-Reims front from July 15 to July 31, the Germans used forty-five divisions, according to the Echo de Paris. Many of these divisions were used several times, being brought back into the fight after a rest of only one or two days.

French Aces Add To Victories.

PARIS, (Havas Agency), Aug. 1.—Sub-lieutenant Boyan has five additional air victories to add to his list, three of them being won in less than ten minutes, according to the newspapers. His total is now twenty-nine. Lieutenant Madon has increased his string of victories to thirty-eight.

NEW ALLIED ADVANCE MAY FORCE GREATER TEUTONIC RETREAT

American and French Troops Straighten Line, and Put Foe in Danger of Flank Attack.

ATTACK IS MADE ON FRONT OF 6 MILES

Yankees Are Approaching Chamery, Village Where Quentin Roosevelt Fell to Death.

By Associated Press.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY ON THE AISNE-MARNE FRONT, Aug. 1. (noon)—The Germans used less artillery late yesterday against the attacking forces on this front, depending more upon their machine guns to defend their lines. This fact, coupled with the statement of prisoners and deserters, tends to strengthen the belief that they are planning a withdrawal to new positions along the River Vesle.

A deserter who came into the lines last night, declared that orders had been issued for a retrograde movement until Flismes on the Vesle had been reached.

Except minor engagements there was only artillery fire along the line up to noon today, and it was comparatively light.

American and French troops have begun a turning movement which, if successful, will compel a German retirement over a wide sector east of Fere-en-Tardenois, in the center of the Soissons-Reims salient.

They have attacked over a front of more than three miles on each side of the village of Nesles, the apex of the Allied wedge north of the Oureq. The greatest advance is toward the east, where the Americans pushed on some distance from Serzy and are approaching Chamery.

Although it was announced that the purpose of the attack is to straighten out the line between Seringes and Clerges, this is really secondary to the outflanking of the Germans to the southwest. The enemy is holding very strong positions at Roncheres and St. Gemme, where his line is still less than five miles from the Marne, and a continued advance between Nesles and Clerges would force him to fall back to escape being cut off in the rear.

This seems to be the only sector in which the Allies are attacking with infantry. Heavy artillery fire is reported along most of the line between Soissons and Reims.

By Associated Press.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY ON THE AISNE-MARNE FRONT, Aug. 1 (3 a. m.).—Franco-American forces on the main battlefield continued yesterday their process of straightening out the line. In their advance in this effort the Americans pushed beyond Serzy to within two kilometers of Chamery.

The Allied forces made their progress against stubborn German resistance. Chamery, the town which the Americans are now approaching, marks the spot where Lieutenant Quentin Roosevelt fell to his death.

The American and French troops launched an attack Wednesday afternoon from Seringes to Clerges on the center of the Marne front for the purpose of straightening out the line and demolishing the barbed-wire entanglements which the Germans have placed in hills, forests and open places.

The Germans Wednesday used a new gas with a white flame and smoke.

By Associated Press.

PARIS, Aug. 1.—The Germans this morning attacked the French positions in the region of Bligny, southwest of Reims. The attack was repulsed, says today's official statement from the War Office.

LONDON, Aug. 1.—German guns were active last night in the Somme region in the vicinity of Villers-Bretonneux, today's War Office announcement shows.

Activity was also displayed further north near Fucquoy and in Flanders in the Merris-Meteren sector.

By Associated Press.

LONDON, Aug. 1.—The Allies today delivered a heavy blow over a ten mile front between Buzancy and Seringes. The result was a considerable advance and the wiping out of the elbow at Oulchy-le-Chateau, according to advices to the Evening Standard this afternoon.