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The lawnmower has given way to the spade and hoe.

The Bear that walks like a man is now acting like one.

Speaking about the war, no town is bum proof.

Twenty-cent bread. Sounds appetizing, we don't think.

It seems fitting that the German submarine warfare should meet its Waterloo.

This is the time when lots of folks would rather live on the Pacific than the Atlantic.

One furrow in the backyard, beloved, is worth a dozen trenches at the battlefield.

The blithering British gunners are certainly putting the "art" in artillery these days.

The greatest battle in the world's history is said to be on, but unfortunately, not over.

To call conscription by another name would be utilizing the "con" part all right, all right.

May be General Hindenburg is like Colonel Iceberg. Can't work well in warm weather.

The high cost of waste and fashion can be cut, and when that is done necessarily the high cost of living will be lowered some.

Bill Spivens opines that he supposes they call it the Sea of Matrimony because the poor chap is at sea when he takes the plunge.

So the President is going to plant a garden. Well, when the high cost of living comes "vegetables in vegetables."

General Weather also seems to have opened his Spring drive.

The antidote for the U-boat is the U. S. boat.

The heir apparent to the Turkish throne is named Din and his appellation will fit in with the situation when he goes to get the crown.

The fire that blazes to make ruins of Lens and St. Quentin not half as fierce as that which burns in the breasts of those who battle to stand triumphant upon the wreckage.

Well, if the lookout on the destroyer Smith did mistake a jumping muller for a submarine torpedo it is evident that he was on the lookout and that's worth something.

A man may be known by the company he keeps, but what's the answer when he is found in such paradoxical company as that of Roosevelt and Bryan?

The people in this country who wanted America to buy peace at any cost might now present their argument and their coaxing to Austria-Hungary and Germany, which appear to need it most.

Better not sink a ship named Smith, as that would be apt to call for reprisal on the part of the great army of Smiths, something like twenty million strong in the good old U. S. A., no doubt.

In these times America has plenty of factories to make war implements so there is no necessity of beating the plowshares into anything save the earth.

If Carranza doesn't act friendly towards the United States, all Uncle Sam has got to do is to blockade the Mexican coast, to keep foreign ships away, and tell Pancho Villa to go to it.

A VITAL COMMUNITY BUSINESS DEAL.

It must have been with a feeling of deep regret that the people of Wilmington heard that Mr. Hugh MacRae had parted with control of the Tidewater Power Company. No matter who succeeds him, how strong they are financially and how enterprising, the retirement of Mr. MacRae as the head of a concern which has been built to giant proportions by his business judgment, his industry and his enterprise, must be regretted by the people of Wilmington. It has often been said by men who travelled the entire country that no finer street railway and suburban system could be found anywhere than that of the Tidewater Power Company, and it is well known that no beach on the South Atlantic Coast can compare with Wrightsville in its complete equipment and in the character of the attractions offered. It must be admitted that all this has been due to the initiative, the daring, it may be better classified, of Mr. MacRae. He had faith in the project and invested to develop, to expand to meet future conditions and to benefit Wilmington and section, rather than to grind big profits. There are folks here, as everywhere, who will not agree with this idea, but in rebuttal of their pessimism or prejudice, by whatever name it may be called, stands the wonderful development of Wrightsville Beach—the great way in which it has bounded ahead of other beaches on the South Atlantic Coast, overshadowing them all in attractiveness, in popularity, in widespread reputation. The progress of the beach in this way is something else to be pondered over. It is a great summer bankroll to the people of Wilmington, besides being a blessing in the way of a recreation ground. Are these things thought of? If so, have they been appreciated as they should? Many a community has lost by failing to be appreciative in time.

Regret over Mr. MacRae's retirement from the Tidewater Power Company is assuaged to some extent by two things, however. First, that he is not to leave Wilmington, but is to retain interest in his big development projects; second, that control of the Tidewater falls to most capable hands. The gentlemen who have purchased the majority interest, known in the business world as Messrs. Brooks and Company, stand high in a financial way and rank among the leaders in enterprise. This is not only a comfortable thought, but a stimulating one, and Wilmington will give the new concern a hearty welcome. People and the company should at once cooperate. What is the interest of one is the interest of the other. Benefit to company and community will be found in working together shoulder-to-shoulder.

PEACE A PRESSING NEED.

It was plain when Germany made its first peace proposal that Germany understood it could not win the war; that from then on it had all to lose and nothing to gain. This was evident for the very plain reason that the Hohenzollerns were bent on conquest; they desired to ride rough shod over all. To be satisfied with less than what at first was the aim must have convinced the outside world that Germany realized that aim could not be obtained and, with sagacity that has marked development and planned so well for the war, was moved to make peace while German territory was intact and while German commerce could be restored before ships were seized or destroyed. Focused, it meant Germany admitted inability to win the war and desired to stop before it would suffer the loss of property and trade—perhaps before elimination of the German government was threatened. The entente countries, however, realized the situation. They understood they were just nearing their zenith in military strength and that by continuation of the war they had all to gain and little to lose, so far as territory and trade are concerned, while to leave Germany's great militarism in existence would continue the dread, the likelihood of another war; that they had better settle the matter once for all. So the strife proceeded.

Now it is evident that Germany desires peace more than ever. It is sorely feeling the starvation pressure exerted by the entente. Its armies are being hurried back, with thousands of men being made prisoners; there is much discontent in Bulgaria and Austria-Hungary, while Turkey is evidently weary of the struggle. Of course, the Germans have not been pushed to their own territory and there is quite a span between Germany and France. It is true that the Germans could manage to exist for months longer, just as the Confederate hosts existed, but it is also true that suffering is increasing, and that the Germans must despair of winning the war. The best they can hope for is a draw, and this is a very slim hope; slimmer since the United States has allied itself with the entente. If the Germans could not whip the entente before, but had to seek peace, how can it ever

WORKING TOGETHER ALONG BROAD LINES.

If the Federal board of censors performs as it talks there should be smooth sailing for newspapers and, at the same time, the public will be able to obtain all information that will benefit it and have its curiosity satisfied as well as it is possible to do. The words of the newly appointed board are logical; if its deeds are according all will be well, and there will be no discords. There is no reason why the newly formed board of censors should not act understandingly. Its head, George Creel, is a newspaper man who thoroughly understands the game, and Secretary of Navy Daniels, another member, is also a journalist. They know what a newspaper should publish and what it should not publish. In fact, Mr. Daniels knows both sides. He has had four years experience as head of the navy and has been closely affiliated with other governmental service. His training as a newspaper man, which makes him understand what the public wants and what it is entitled to get in the news columns, combined with his training as a navy department official, which permits him to know the importance of not making certain disclosures, should certainly enable him to strike the happy medium.

The board proposes, it says, to lay down certain general rules and then leave it to the newspapers to follow. We believe this is the best course to pursue. It is more in keeping with the American spirit; it will better save to allay suspicion. It will place every newspaper on its honor and if any paper, either intentional or through thoughtlessness, fails to hold the course, it will find sufficient condemnation from its fellows and the public to punish it severely. Our observation has been that the newspapers are scrupulously endeavoring to censor their own news, so as not to provide information to the enemy. Voluntarily they have eliminated many reports that have reached them and have received information that they have held to themselves. Of course, there may be a difference of opinion as to the character of some information that should be presented, and, therefore, rules promulgated by the board of censors, together with reasons in explanation thereof, will serve to settle opinion and clarify the atmosphere. After all there is but one great principle that should be followed. Omit movement of ships and troops and their intentions, while making public all information as to the results of battles and those killed. Everything of importance, that should be published and should not be, will be found under these heads.

The government has a vital part to play in this, too. It should see that the public is kept informed, and not guessing. The latter state accounts for many false reports that tends to excite, or for silence that brings anxiety and anguish. A state of mental anxiety means a condition of suspicion and a situation of unrest that may cause trouble. Along with profiting by other blunders made by Great Britain in the early stages of the war, let the United States benefit by its errors of censorship.

WHAT IT WOULD AMOUNT TO.

Whether or not the lookout on the American destroyer, Smith saw a German submarine, it is in the realm of possibility that he did. More, it is in the field of probability that German submarines are off the American coast. It is not impossible for a submarine to make a trip over, inflict damage and return. That was demonstrated several months ago. However, it is not at all likely that German submarines can blockade the American coast. While they can make a trip over and back, yet they cannot carry sufficient supplies to do much fighting, nor to tarry. They must have a base somewhere near. Unless they have a base near they cannot linger nor do much damage. They cannot go loaded with torpedoes, which are very expensive, and with ships armed they cannot hope to find a prey with shell fire.

The only submarine base Germany could have over this side of the Atlantic would be in Mexico, and the American navy is sufficiently large to ferret out any submarine bases there and stamp them out. But the incident of the destroyer Smith and that of the American warcraft that made a British vessel leave, until it could see what manner of vessel, go to prove that the American navy is already on the job. hope to do so now that the richest country in the world, a nation practically twice the size of Germany in population, has allied itself with the entente, to say nothing of many small countries? Germany's one hope of prolonging the war, so as to strike back with heavy, if not finally telling blows at the entente, is to secure a separate peace with Russia, which would release a big army in the east and furnish means of getting additional supplies.

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FOR THROAT AND LUNGS, STUBBORN COUGES AND COLDS. Eckman's Alterative. SOLD BY ALL LEADING DRUGGISTS. STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA. TREASURY DEPARTMENT. Raleigh, April 4, 1917. NOTICE OF SALE. Sealed proposals will be received by me as State Treasurer of North Carolina, at this office, Raleigh, North Carolina, until April 27th, noon, for the purchase of all or any part of the following bonds: \$500,000.00 Permanent Improvement Bonds dated July 1, 1917, as follows: \$100,000.00 mature July 1, 1923. \$100,000.00 mature July 1, 1924. \$100,000.00 mature July 1, 1925. \$100,000.00 mature July 1, 1926. \$100,000.00 mature July 1, 1927. The Bonds will be sold at par to the person bidding the lowest rate of interest not exceeding 4 per cent. Apply to me for blanks upon which to bid. B. R. LACY, State Treasurer. 4-5-su-tu-thu-to-apr-26

RECEIVER'S SALE. Under and by virtue of an order of the Superior Court of New Hanover County heretofore entered in the cause entitled J. A. Taylor, et al. versus the North State Candy Company, the undersigned Receiver, will on the 6th day of May, 1917, at 12 M., expose for sale, at the Court House Door, in the City of Wilmington, at public auction, the following described real and personal property of the North State Candy Company: The candy factory on the Northeast corner of Front and Hanover streets, and is more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the eastern line of Front street with the northern line of Hanover street and runs thence eastwardly with the northern line of Hanover street one hundred and sixty-five feet; thence northwardly and parallel with Front street one hundred and thirty-two feet; thence southwardly and parallel with Hanover street sixty-five feet and parallel with Hanover street one hundred (100) feet to a point in the eastern line of Front street; thence southwardly with the eastern line of Front street sixty-six (66) feet to the point of beginning, being part of Lots 4 and 5 in Block 261, according to the official plan of the City of Wilmington. Dated this 27th day of March, 1917. LOUIS J. POISSON, Receiver. 3-28-1aw-6w-wed

COMMISSIONER'S SALE OF LAND. State of North Carolina. County of New Hanover. In the Superior Court. City of Wilmington. John W. Nell and wife Matilda Nell and Sallie Jane Nell. Under and by virtue of the authority and power vested in me as commissioner, in a certain decree in the above entitled action, signed by his Honor G. W. Connor, Judge presiding at the term of Superior Court held in New Hanover County in the month of November 1916, I offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash at the Court House door of New Hanover County, on Monday, May 14th, 1917, at twelve o'clock, to satisfy the judgment obtained in said action all of the following described piece, tract or parcel of land, lying being and situate in the City of Wilmington, as follows: Beginning at a point in the Eastern line of Anderson street one hundred and thirty-two (132) feet southwardly from the southern line of Green street and running thence eastwardly one hundred and sixty-five (165) feet to the highest bidder for cash; thence southwardly thirty-three (33) feet thence westwardly and parallel with Green street one hundred and sixty-five (165) feet; thence northwardly and parallel with Anderson street thirty-three (33) feet to the beginning, same being and parcel one-fourth of Lot 3 in Block 255, according to the official plan of the City of Wilmington, N. C. This the 11th day of April, 1917. C. C. BELLAMY, Commissioner. 3-11-30

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF LAND. Notice is hereby given, read under and by virtue of a mortgage deed executed in favor of the undersigned, on the 24th day of July, 1916, by C. C. Taylor and wife, Viola Taylor, in Book 80, at page 478, in the office of the Register of Deeds of New Hanover County, the undersigned mortgagee, in pursuance of the power of sale contained in said mortgage deed, will on the 6th day of May, 1917, at 12 o'clock noon, in the Court House door of New Hanover County, sell to the highest bidder for cash the following described tract or parcel of land lying and being in New Hanover County, State of North Carolina, in Harnett Township, more particularly bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Known as Lot No. 41 according to the Fox Sub-division in East Wilmington, according to the plan and survey made by E. J. W. Anders May 14th, 1914, and more fully described as follows: Beginning at a point in the eastern line of Evans street, two hundred and thirty-three feet northwardly from the center line of the northern line of Market street road, which is 132-10 feet eastwardly from the center line of Evans street, running thence eastwardly at right angles 87-8 feet; thence southwardly and parallel with Evans street 50 feet; thence westwardly and parallel with the first line mentioned 87-8 feet to the eastern line of Evans street; thence along the said eastern line 50 feet to the point of beginning. This the 3rd day of April, 1917. C. D. WEEKS, ADDIE FOX, Attorneys. Mortgagee. 4-3-30days

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, NEW HANOVER COUNTY. In the Superior Court. Before the Clerk. ORDER. New Hanover Transit Co., et al. vs. N. A. Currie, et al. This cause coming on to be heard, and the final report of the Board of Viewers having this day been filed with this court, and having been duly examined, is found to be in due form, and in accordance with the law, and is hereby accepted. This court hereby appoints the 27th day of April, 1917, at 12 o'clock noon, as the time when it will further consider and pass upon the said report. It is further ordered by the court that a copy of this order be posted at the Court House door of New Hanover County, and at five conspicuous places within the said District, and be published in the Wilmington Dispatch, a newspaper of general circulation in the county of New Hanover, for two consecutive weeks next preceding the 27th day of April, 1917. This April 4, 1917. W. N. HARRISS, Clerk Superior Court. 4-14-2w

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