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We are glad to note that the young Prince of Wales has gone to the Italian front. We hope he will be given a chance to show his mettle there.

Admiral Von Tirpitz seems to be losing faith in the submarine. It was he who said last year that undersea boat warfare could bring Great Britain to her knees, suing for peace, in three months.

Surely there is going to be no trouble in raising North Carolina's quota for the Y. M. C. A. fund for army work. We believe the three hundred thousand dollars allotted to this State will be oversubscribed. Our people can raise that sum easily.

Mr. Garfield must think there is no danger of a coal famine any where in this country, as he lets a shipload go to South America. We reckon the Raleigh people wish our fuel administrator would divert some of that coal in their direction, as they have none at all.

An exchange defines a "shadow Hun" as "a man who is too foxily open to champion Germany's cause and too disloyal to approve of America's." It might have added and too cowardly to go home and fight for his former country or the one he loves better than his home.

Did it ever occur to you that the afternoon newspapers can give the quickest news from the seat of war? On account of the difference between Northern France and this section news of events occurring late in the afternoon there can be printed here in afternoon papers of the same day.

In the second Liberty bond subscription this Federal Reserve Bank district oversubscribed its maximum allotment by one million dollars and its minimum assessment by eighty-one million. It cannot be said that the people in this district failed to do their duty in answer to the government's call for funds.

It is good to know that Lieutenant Berg, who escaped from the camp of detention at Fort McPherson, is back there again. We hope better watch will be kept over him in the future. Of all who escaped we had rather he were captured than any of the others. A prison cell and not camp of detention is the proper place for him.

Somebody is going to get into trouble for hiding away foodstuffs. Every now and then announcement is made of the finding of a large quantity that has been secretly warehoused, the owners holding it in hopes of higher prices when the food scarcity becomes more stringent. The Federal government should have no mercy on such persons. The extreme punishment provided by the law should be put upon any man who schemes in such times as these to speculate on the necessities of the people.

That old lady who would not knit sweaters for the soldiers on Sunday, but loaned her needles to a friend to use for that purpose had her conscience whittled down to a mighty fine point on the subject of Sunday observance. She must be some kin to the old lady Senator Vance used to tell about who got religion and came to the conclusion that it was sinful to wear jewelry, so she sold what little she had to a sister who had not "come through" at the mourners' bench.

THE Y. M. C. A. FUND.

If such men as President Wilson, Secretary of the Navy Daniels and General Pershing endorse the work of the Y. M. C. A. among the soldiers and urge the people to stand by that splendid organization in the work it is doing and to assist it in its endeavors to increase its efficiency the whole nation should come to its relief.

The men who are asking for contributions to the Y. M. C. A. war fund know the immense amount of good the association is doing for the soldiers in camps of instruction and at the front. They are in position to judge of the facts; and they do not hesitate to urge the people to greater assistance to the organization. There is even stronger evidence than this of the great benefit the Y. M. C. A. is to our soldiers. It comes from the soldiers themselves—from the privates in camp and trench. They are constantly writing letters home telling of the work of the association—what a comfort and benefit it is to the men—comforting them when lonely, ministering to their mental sufferings and physical sicknesses. While the officers see the good effects of Y. M. C. A. ministrations the boys in the ranks feel them and are grateful to the representatives of the institution and to the people back home whose generosity makes it possible for these good men to be among them, with their equipments for administering to their sick spirits and diseased and wounded bodies.

In this campaign to raise sufficient funds for Y. M. C. A. work among our soldiers, men and women should contribute of their means more cheerfully than any cause yet presented to them since the war began. Every dollar given to this fund will do its part in helping some poor sick or wounded soldier. That dollar that YOU are hesitating about giving, if contributed may be the means of saving some soldier's life in hospital tent or on battlefield—may be of a boy you love and whom you, in sorrow and fear, saw march away for the war.

If the people fully understood the vast amount of mental and physical suffering saved to our soldiers by this association in its camp and field work among them there would be no hesitation in making their contributions to the fund now being raised. They would give joyfully, feeling it a privilege rather than a duty to do so.

THE PARDONING POWER.

We agree with The Hickory Record in what it says in advocacy of a pardoning board. There should have been one established in this State long ago. We suppose it would require an amendment of the constitution to take the power to exercise executive clemency out of the hands of the Governor and place it elsewhere, but this could have been done easily enough on several occasions in the past when other amendments were voted upon. But without such amendment the Legislature could establish a board authorized to hear applications and pass upon them with the understanding that the Governor would grant pardons, or commutations in accordance with the recommendations of the board. It would then be the Governor's act and thereby comply with the constitutional requirements and at the same time relieve the Executive of the great burden and still greater responsibility now placed on him. We do not believe in the one man pardoning power. Intending no reflection on the present or any other Governor of this State, we think it puts too much temptation to err on the side of clemency, and is also too great a burden on one man to have to hear and pass upon the numerous petitions for pardon that are made to our Governors. We believe all of our Governors of recent years would have been glad to be relieved of this part of their executive duties.

Kaiser William was a long time coming across with what the Germans would consider meritorious recognition of the heroic action of the commander of the submarine which sank the Lusitania; but he has done so at last. He has conferred the Order of Merit on Captain Schweiger, the commander of that undersea boat, who will go down in history as having done the most infamous deed in war recorded in the history of civilized nations. Yet the insignia of that Order will be cherished by his descendants as a token of his Emperor's esteem and recognition of the performance of a deed considered worthy of unusual reward.

It looks like the way is being prepared by the British army in the Far East for the return of the Jews to Jerusalem. It will not be long before the Anglo-Saxon army will be in possession of that city. According to the contention of some people that will be fulfillment of the prophecy, as they claim that the Anglo-Saxons are descendants of the lost tribes of Israel.

AN IMPORTANT LAW.

After Thursday every person who wishes to have dynamite or any other explosive in his possession must secure a license from the government, first showing for what purpose the explosive is to be used. There is a heavy penalty for any one found with an explosive in his possession without such license. This is a law which should be rigidly enforced and full penalty meted out to all persons convicted under it. No excuses however plausible should be accepted. It is an important law and if properly enforced may save many a dollar's worth of property. This law, which was passed at the last session of Congress, ought to have been in force from the beginning of the European war.

The Pan-German party will not give up Belgium if it can possibly help it. Its members are going to do all they can to hold on to that country, when the time comes to make peace. The only hope for that country's freedom from German domination is the complete overthrowing of the party, including the Hohenzollern family, now in control in the empire.

WITH THE EDITORS.

The New Bernian.—Another one of those pesk carnivals has come and gone, and who is the better off for its having been here? What has it left us? Absolutely nothing worth while. The sum of money that the fire boys received as their part of the receipts, had better far been paid to them direct, and kept the carnival away.

High Point Enterprise.—"Thy cry is Save! Save! Save!" says George H. Maxwell, executive director of the National Reclamation Association. "Why not produce as well as save?" Conservation of food, clothing, all the resources we now have, is logical enough, but it goes only half way. The constructive methods of winning the war is by meeting deficits with greater production.

Asheville Times.—The hour has struck when people must stop talking foolishness. This war business is serious. The fact is not to be passed over. It means that every ounce of American energy is needed today. Ships are needed to carry men, munitions and material. The money for the building of the ships must be provided. In addition every scrap of food must be conserved. Every dollar's worth of material must be saved. There must be no waste.

Hickory Record.—Governor Bickett is being criticised rather severely for commuting the death sentence of Charles Walker, who murdered Florence Sutphin, to life imprisonment. The murder, which was committed in Caldwell county, was one of the most brutal, and was without the slightest provocation. Jealousy was the motive. That Walker is a man of little intelligence anybody who has seen him will admit. He impresses one very much as a semi-savage. It was with this picture in mind that The Record did not join in the condemnation of his excellency. We could not see in Walker's execution any element that would serve the interest of the State. As a principle, however, this setting aside the verdicts of the courts is not to be commended. It is a serious business, no matter if the Governor is actuated by humane motives. The State should have a pardoning board.

STAGE OF WATER.

A meeting of the county board of health was held yesterday at which various health subjects were discussed. The most important matter taken up was that of fumigating homes in which persons suffering with contagious diseases have been confined, including tuberculosis. The fumigation must be made under the direction of the county health officer.—The New Bernian.

The general Lutheran bodies that have just voted favorably on the merger plan to unite all Lutherans in the United States and Canada, thus forming "The United Lutheran Church in America," also voted to assume their share in the effort to raise by Lutheran; \$2,500,000 to be expended in religious work amongst the soldiers and sailors in the present war.—Salisbury Post.

For the first time in several months automobile thieves visited the city last evening, and made away with three machines, the thefts being committed while the owners were witnessing the benefit minstrel performance at the high school auditorium. The machines belonged to Thomas J. Murphy, the city manager; W. H. Slane and Mr. Thompson. Mr. Murphy's car was found later at a point near the fair grounds, west of Greensboro, with the wind shield, fender and running board broken.—High Point Enterprise.

More than a hundred hearts were made glad in the ranks of the most deserving of our American citizens, the boys in khaki when recently Mr. W. E. Jeffries declared to a local warehouseman, "Sell that 68 pound tin in the name of the Boys in France Tobacco Fund." This 68 pound tin really gave the local fund a great big help in the right direction for that age made it a target for all the buyers and the warehouseman handled it without cost and today the treasurer of the fund—Mr. R. L. Huffines—has check for \$30.64 for that pile sold at 45 cents a pound.—Rocky Mount Telegram.

IRON FOR URIC ACID TROUBLE

Highly Concentrated Medicinal Iron Known as Acid Iron Mineral Best Yet

VERY ECONOMICAL TOO

When a person's back seems almost broken and their shoulders weigh like lead, and every twist or turn of limb or muscle sends pains shooting about; why all of us must remember that uric acid does these things, and what we need is a little iron to drive it out of our system. We don't need a laxative. We don't want to put alcohol into the system. What we need is just one little thing, that is iron.

Get a bottle of highly concentrated Acid Iron Mineral. Pour a teaspoonful into a glass of water after a meal and see what a quick, short cut it makes to relief and freedom from pain. Take it regularly a few days to help the blood. Sometimes the trouble can be traced to the kidneys and this natural, highly concentrated medicinal iron helps them too. Ask your druggist for a bottle of Acid Iron Mineral. A large dollar bottle can be had prepaid, if you send to the Ferrodrine Chemical Corp., Roanoke, Va.—Advt.

NEW HIGH PRICES FOR LEAF TOBACCO

(Special to The Dispatch) Raleigh, N. C., Nov. 12.—Unprecedented prices for tobacco served to make October of 1917 surpass October of 1916 by several millions of pounds and far more than \$1,000,000.

The average price of the weed sold for last month is understood to be \$28.50, almost unheard of. The East still retains the lead. The smell of tobacco as the star of empire takes its way westward unusually about this time, but the eastern cities still hold the leadership.

The estimates of the Commissioner of Agriculture seem to be abundantly borne out and then some. That the State will sell more millions of pounds than ever is hardly to be doubted. The mastery of the market is yet held by Wilson, which has three houses which ran above \$1,000,000 sale both for October and September. The grand total exceeds 65,000,000 pounds for October, 1917, against 55,000,000 in 1916.

GREEN'S AUGUST FLOWER

Has been used for all ailments that are caused by a disordered stomach, inactive liver, such as sick headache, constipation, sour stomach, nervous indigestion, fermentation of food, palpitation of the heart caused by gases in the stomach. August Flower is a gentle laxative, regulates digestion both in stomach and intestines, cleans and sweetens the stomach and alimentary canal, stimulates the liver to secrete the bile and impurities from the blood. 25 and 75 cent bottles. Sold by Green's Drug Store.

DO YOUR SHOPPING AND SHIPPING EARLY.

More of "Our Boys" will be away from Home and Family this year at Christmas time than ever before in our history.

On account of the enormous volume of War Materials and supplies, in addition to the usual large movement of Holiday shipments, it will require from now on every available baggage, mail and express car that can be put into service.

To help the situation and to insure Christmas packages reaching their destination on time and thus avoid disappointment the Public is earnestly requested to ship their Christmas packages (whether by mail or express) at least ten (10) days or two weeks before Christmas.

This action will not only be appreciated by the Government, but by the Railroads, whose already heavy burdens they are trying to carry with promptness and dispatch. NORFOLK SOUTHERN RAILROAD, J. F. DALTON, G. P. A. 11-12 to 12-10.

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Do Your Christmas Shopping Early

Bon Marche (Incorporated)

The Value Giving Store

For The Boys In France Khaki Novelties for Christmas Presents---November 15 is the Last Day That They Can Be Sent "Over There"

This is merely a reminder that Nov. 15th is the last day that the government will accept packages to be forwarded to France for Christmas.

The Khaki novelties displayed here give a wide range of choice for the finishing touches of a soldier's kit. The line is featured by the Waterproof and perspiration proof Khaki cloth used in the making.

Trench mirror and brush and comb sets; tobacco pouch and pipe; first aid sets; sewing; air pillows; and dozens of other novelties.

And at such little prices— 59c to \$2.00

A Dress Sale You'll Appreciate

It is doubtful if many women who buy these splendid bargains realize their true worth. Quality tells, not only in appearance but in durability. They will be purchased because of the attractive styles, but they will continue to look good long after similar, but inferior merchandise has gone the way of all things "cheap."

The success of this sale will not be in the mere selling of hundred odd dresses, but rather in the making and renewing of customers who buy them.

Values of \$25.00 to \$49.50 dresses, as follows:

- One lot at \$12.95. —One lot at \$15.95. —One lot at \$18.95. —One lot at \$20.95. —One lot at \$22.95.

See Window Display for an idea of their value. Sale continues through Saturday.

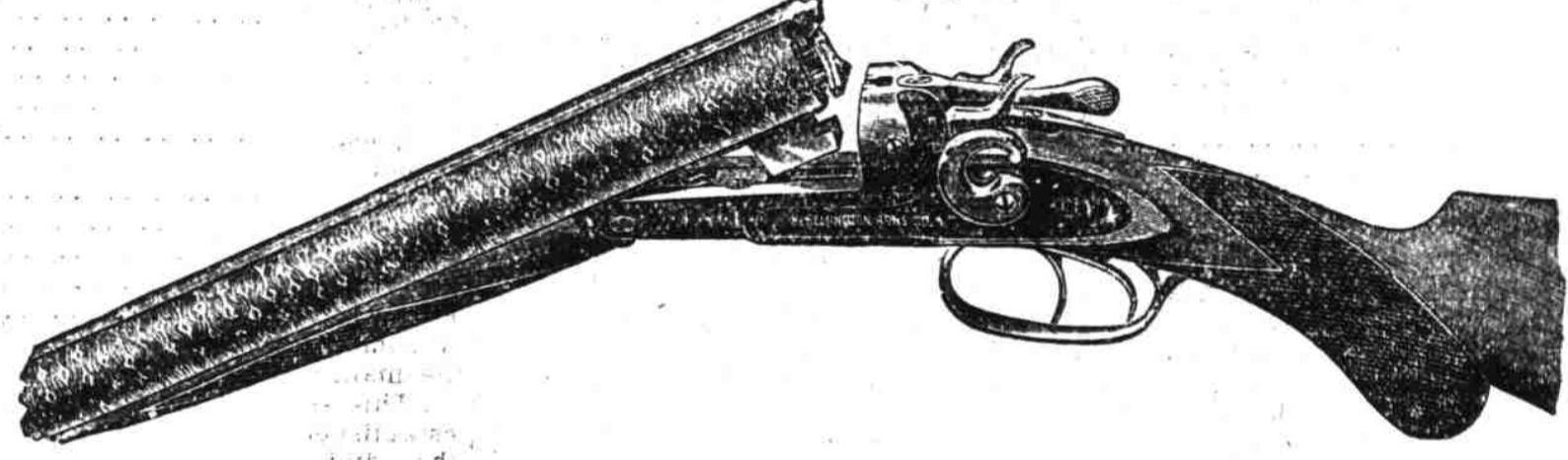
THREATENED SPREAD IN NEWARK STRIKE

(By Associated Press) New York, Nov. 13.—In addition to several thousand men employed in ship yards and war supply bases at Newark, N. J., who struck yesterday, a walk-out of other workers was threatened today. The grievance is directed against the Lackawanna

Bridge Company, which employs non-union men. The only object, according to union officials, is to force that company to recognize the union. Government mediators thus far have failed to settle the controversy. Some union officials assert that if an early adjustment of the trouble is not reached, the strike will spread to the jurisdiction of the New York Building Trades Council and tie up all govern-

ment construction work. This would affect 20,000 persons. Taking estimates from those actively interested, your correspondent accepts \$500,000 as being a conservative figure for the value of the sea food products handled in Brunswick county during the past week by those in the business. Some say twice that amount.

BING! BANG! BANG! SPECIAL GUN SALE SMALL BORE GUNS



28 gauge, American Machine Gun, interchangeable, lock parts, bar locks, matted extension ribs, checkered pistol grip and fore end. Length of barrels, 26 1-2; weight 4 3-4 lbs. Price \$13.50. This small bore gun is quite effective for general field shooting. 28 gauge single guns \$7.50. 28 gauge loaded shells regularly in stock here with us. Catalogue on application.

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These women and girls, who are doing their bit in a factory at Coventry, are seen in the smiles and words of appreciation with which the Queen and Princess Mary, on an official visit, soon rewarded their patience.