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TUESDAY, MAY 14, 1918.

The boy scout of today is in training for the typical man of America of tomorrow.

The way to welcome Wilmington's thousands of new citizens is to have houses for them to live in when they get here.

Wonder how many of the people who see that escaped balloon will get scared and think the Germans are after them?

The dishrag may not be as dainty as the powder rag but it is much more to the point when it comes to domestic matters.

Now let's see if those fellows out west are going to use the new sedition law or continue to use tar and feathers to punish utterers of seditious language.

With the former dowager empress of Russia and several of her suite in the capital of Ukraina and the tool of Germany imposed on the people as a rade it looks rather hopeless for a republic in that country.

It is said Count Luxburg's detention in Argentina for so long a time was due to his mental condition. He is declared to be crazy yet. Perhaps that accounts for his wanting to go to Berlin at this time.

Aprons of yesterday's press dispatches quoting German prisoners as saying that Von Hindenburg was dead, the current issue of Southern Telephone News contains the "Diary of a Bell Boy" who is at the front. He writes in his diary on April 19, 1916: "There is a rumor that Hindenburg has cut his throat, and peace will come in ninety days."

There is conflict in the reports from the front as to the use to be made of the American troops. Our soldiers won't want to be held back for the assembling of a large body of troops from this side; but if such be the program they will be mighty proud of their being assigned first place in a grand offensive. When they are put to the task of capturing the enemy trenches the Germans will learn what American soldiers can do when they get the chance.

The correspondents at the front of newspapers state that it is remarkable how our soldiers keep up with current events at home and how much interest they take in everything that is going on "back home." They were especially enthused over the outcome of the liberty bond subscription—not that the amount was raised, for they knew that would be done, but over the enthusiastic manner in which it was done and the large number of people by whom the subscription was made. They felt that proved the country was behind them, and had confidence in them.

The house of representatives yesterday took up the Overman department reorganization bill. Democratic leaders predict that the house will pass the bill virtually as it came from the senate. It is hoped so, and also that it will not be as long about it as was the senate.

Under the conference agreement on the registration amendment to the selective draft bill medical and theological students who have entered school before the bill is signed will be exempt. Those who enter afterward will have to register. We reckon this was about the best settlement of the controversy.

HALT IN GERMAN DRIVE.

There have been rumors for some time of a mutinous disposition among the soldiers of the German army. There can be no doubt that there have been instances of mutiny in the army and navy. Now comes reports of dissensions among the officers of the army—among officers in high rank.

It may be that these conditions have something to do with the sudden hold up in the great offensive the Germans advertised so long and which they began with such vigor. Their heavy fighting stopped as suddenly as it began. When the allies' orders were to stand and hold their ground at all hazard the German desire to advance died out.

The report came from that side that the halt was made in order to give time to move up the heavy guns over the shell-torn battle fields.

Germany has taken such a long time to bring up her heavy guns that it looks like there were other hindrances besides Belgium mud and shell holes that were causing the delay. It may be that differences among high army officers stand in the way.

There can be little doubt that there is great disappointment in Berlin at the lack of success of the big drive inaugurated April 21; that some high army officers are muttering about the campaign not measuring up to expectations.

There is a faction headed by General Von Moltke which has become critics of General Hindenburg. While no one puts any belief in the rumor of the death of the latter, there is evidently such a report in Germany. The question is, what was expected to be accomplished by putting such rumor afloat?

OUR SOLDIERS AROUSED.

Before the war is over Germany will find that one of the greatest mistakes she has made has been to allow atrocities by her soldiers in the fighting and against prisoners, especially against Americans. We do not mean that our soldiers will be guilty of retaliation in kind. They could never bring themselves to be guilty of the cruelties and barbarities practiced by German soldiers. The course pursued by the soldiers of the enemy will however find the Americans with such a spirit of revenge that they will suffer no Germans to escape them whenever they join in conflict. The American soldiers are already imbued with the idea that the quickest way to end the war is to kill as many German soldiers as possible. Our men will never kill prisoners or treat them with the cruelty Germans treat theirs, but if German atrocities on the battlefield continue there will be fewer German prisoners captured and the enemy list of dead will greatly increase.

Only recently American soldiers have been fired with greater hatred of the Germans by the discovery of the bodies of two of our men who had had their heads mashed in and then had been bayoneted when dead. American officers at the front are aware that there has arisen among the American soldiers a spirit of revenge because of such atrocities and they have more than once taken the trouble to investigate reports of cruelty by the Germans, not for the purpose of defending the latter against such charges, but by proving the reports to be false to arrest the growing spirit of revenge among our own men.

The Americans went to France ready to fight the Germans according to the rules of civilized warfare, and they have done so and will continue to do so, but it is beyond human nature to endure the sight of such atrocities toward their fellow soldiers without the spirit of revenge.

If the Germans want a war to the knife and the knife to the hilt the American boys are ready to give it to them. After settling the question of time limit for the preachers some members of the Methodist general conference want to open up the whole matter and settle it all over again. Reckon those most interested—the preachers and their families—wish the conference would let the matter stand as it is.

Our state university has furnished nearly a thousand men to the army from among its faculty, students and alumni. Of university men who are officers The University News Teller gives these data: Among our men in war service are 2 brigadier generals, 4 colonels, 7 lieutenant colonels, 12 majors, 61 captains and 119 first lieutenants in the army; the secretary of the navy, 4 lieutenant commanders and 5 lieutenants in the navy, and 1 colonel, 1 lieutenant colonel, 9 majors, 9 captains and 93 first lieutenants in the medical corps.

General Maurice should now make an apology to General Poch for his "Blucher or night" speech.

UNFORTUNATE CLASS.

In a recent official statement the secretary of the interior declared that there were seven hundred thousand men of draft age in the United States who cannot read or write. Necessarily many of these have been drafted and sent to the front. Such of them as are in the army cannot write to the people at home; cannot read the posted orders or the books of instruction for soldiers. The thought of these facts brings feelings of pity for such of the soldiers who are suffering under the disability of illiteracy. The lack of ability to read and write never fell heavier upon a man than it does on those so afflicted who are far away from home and facing the danger of the battlefield. To them and to their families at home who are so anxiously waiting day after day for news of them this is a distressing privation.

The thought of these men so situated should be an incentive to those who have educational matters in charge and to the whole people to make more determined efforts to bring about universal education; to hasten the day when there shall not be a child over school age in America who cannot read and write.

The men of this country who cannot read and write form one of the most unfortunate classes of our population and they deserve not only the pity of the more fortunate but their assistance to better their condition through enlarged facilities for securing a rudimentary education.

Greenville Reflector: Seeing their evil as loafing places for idlers, the authorities of Raleigh have prohibited the operation of pool rooms in that city after June 1st. This is a time when all men should be engaged in work of some kind and Raleigh is moving in the right direction in breaking up the loafing places.

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State News

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Big Real Estate Deal. One of the largest private real estate transactions of recent years in Greensboro was closed yesterday by the terms of which title to the Elmwood Arcade property on South Elm street is transferred from C. D. Benbow to the Vick Chemical company. The exact purchase price is not disclosed, though it is known to be in the neighborhood of 150,000.—Greensboro News.

Handsome Gift to Greensboro. As an evidence of his love for the community in which he has spent the greater portion of a long and useful life, and in order to erect while he is yet alive a memorial to his own name that will survive for all time, John Van Lindley, known throughout the south as a nurseryman and valuable citizen, today presented to the city of Greensboro, through the municipality's board of commissioners, a deed to 40 acres of land west of the city, to be maintained by the city as a park and public playground.—Greensboro Record.

Broke Under the Strain. Colonel Fries, of Winston-Salem, director in North Carolina of the war savings campaign, lies on his bed at his Winston-Salem home prostrate by the expenditure of energies he has given to this work. His brother, Henry Fries, speaking yesterday to a group of county representatives of the movement in conference here, expressed the situation of his brother aptly, when he said that the work had been very much on his heart, then it got on his nerves and now it has put him on his back. Those intimate with Colonel Fries testify that his labors in this movement have been so arduous and unremitting that he broke under the strain.—Charlotte News.

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With The Editors

Charlotte News: We have no fault to find with Sherman's definition of war. At times we figure it also aptly describes this business of trying to make both ends meet.

New Bern Sun-Journal: The New Bern school teachers are rejoicing over the fact that their salaries during the coming term will be increased and that they will receive enough money to live comfortably upon. The profession of teaching has, in time past, been the most poorly paid of any, but a new era has dawned and hereafter the instructors in our public schools will receive more money for their work, a work which is of the most arduous and trying sort.

Greensboro News: "Mr. Borglum washed his hands of all connections with negotiations looking to our organization of an airplane manufacturing enterprise," says his next friend, Gibson. But congress feels that Borglum didn't "wash his hands" soon enough or clean enough.

Hickory Record: Gutzon Borglum, the sculptor named by President Wilson to conduct an investigation into airplane production, has destroyed himself and strengthened the administration as a result of the disclosures made in the senate when it was charged that he was in collusion with other persons to build an airplane factor and take off some profits.

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In the News

Former Senator J. Don Cameron of Pennsylvania, who was widely known as a statesman before his withdrawal from public life, is in line for congratulations today on the occasion of his 85th birthday anniversary. Senator Cameron was born at Middletown, Pa., and received his education at Princeton. Upon his return home from college he became a bank clerk, and thus started upon a highly successful career as a financier. His active career in politics began in 1868, when he served as a delegate to the Republican national convention. For many years thereafter he continued to be an influential factor in the party councils. For about a year during the administration of President Grant Mr. Cameron held the war portfolio. When he retired from the cabinet, in 1877, it was to accept election as United States senator, in which capacity he continued to serve for 20 years.

A DAILY LESSON IN HISTORY. One Hundred Years Ago Today. 1818—Dr. Edward Hartshorne, celebrated physician and penologist, born in Philadelphia. Died there, June 22, 1885. Seventy-Five Years Ago Today. 1843—Daniel Webster was invited to deliver the oration at the Bunker Hill monument dedication. Fifty Years Ago Today. 1868—A regiment of Amazons was enlisted to assist Paraguay against Brazil. Twenty-five Years Ago Today. 1893—Rt. Rev. William H. Bisell, Episcopal bishop of Vermont, died at Burlington, Vt. Born at Randolph, Vt., No. 10, 1814.

ONE YEAR AGO TODAY IN THE WAR. May 14, 1917.—United States senate passed the espionage bill; war department announced orders to bring the regular army up to its full strength of 293,000 men; British naval airplanes destroyed a German Zeppelin in the North Sea.

OUR DAILY BIRTHDAY PARTY. Hall Caine, one of the most successful of present-day novelists and playwrights, born on the Isle of Man, 61 years ago today. Alton B. Parker, democratic candidate for the presidency in 1904, born at Cortland, N. Y., 66 years ago today. Bishop Theodore S. Henderson, head of the National War Council of the Methodist church, born at Milburn, N. J., 50 years ago today. Brig. Gen. John D. Barrette, U. S. A., member of the board of ordnance and fortifications, born in Louisiana, 56 years ago today. Brig. Gen. Theodore A. Bingham, U. S. A., retired, one-time police commissioner of New York city, born at Andover, Conn., 60 years ago today.

William Hale Thompson, the present mayor of Chicago and prospective candidate for United States senator, born in Boston, 49 years ago today.

Should Take Their Own Medicine. The Charleston News and Courier thinks "the strange part of it is that the shippers have to be urged to grow foodstuffs. It is but scarcely more strange than that at least some of those who are doing the urging do not betake themselves 'back to the farm' and do a little growing of foodstuffs on their own account.—Norfolk Virginian-Pilot.

The Kaiser Not Going Crazy. There's nothing in the story "Kaiser Wilhelm is Going Crazy." He's gone—been gone for some time.—Durham Sun.

The Finish. "There were four of the Crat boys. Pluto, Aristo and Auto spent their substance in riotous living, but plodding old Demo kept on sawing wood, and in the last chapter inherited the old homestead and married the miller's daughter." Then he changed his name to Pluto Aristo Crat and rode in an Auto.—Florida Times-Union.

GET IN "THE BIG FIGHT." Get in the big fight, boys, Pitch right in. Get in the fight with all your might And then we are bound to win.

Why! Good gracious, boys, If every one helps out, We'll fill every Hun's head so full of lead He'll forget what he is about.

And then we'll go after the Kaiser, boys, With all our might and main, We'll put him down in the earth so brown, And the world will be happy again.

HELEN PREESE. Class of 1919, Wilmington Schools.

PILOT BOAT WILL BE USED AS FISHING BOAT. Pilot I. S. Davis was allowed to cancel the number of his pilot boat by the board of navigation and pilotage, at a special called meeting of that body, held yesterday. Pilot Davis will in the future use the vessel for fishing purposes.

Dr. James Sprunt, chairman of the board, announced at the meeting that the shipping board or the chamber had procured the use of the government dredge, Henry Bacon, for deepening the channel at the site of the Liberty Shipbuilding company. The board concurred in the matter provided the sum of \$124 per day would be paid for the use of the dredge and that the vessel would be restored to the river and harbor work as soon as possible.

Commissioner C. C. Chadbourn submitted his report of a conference with Assistant Engineer R. C. Merritt in regard to the shoal water at Snow's marsh.

Miss Stenographer by DALE DRUMMOND

CHAPTER XI.

When Mary Means Heaven. I HAD scarcely breathed while Milly was telling her story. It was a terrible one, but also terribly interesting to one who knew and believed her. I never thought of doubting a word she said. No one who had heard her could.

"No wonder you believed him," I said, hoping she would go on. "I was a fool! Mary, a little blind fool. He was married last week. I went to the church and sat in the back pew. I was so well dressed they let me in without a card. Clothes counted, even there, you see. But Mary, the worst thing he did to me was to destroy all the faith I had in my heart. But that's the way a man like him keeps his word to girls—like you. When you come to think of it—why should he? If we are silly enough to be caught, I don't suppose we deserve any pity."

During her recital Milly's face had gone white under the rouge. Little shadows under her eyes had perceptibly darkened. What it had cost her to lay bare her soul I would never know. But I think she told me trying to save me from a like fate. Little did she know that I had learned back in our home town that a man above a girl in station is seldom in earnest in his love-making. No good could come of my telling her, so I did not mention my own experience.

"And what are you going to do now?" I asked. "God knows! My money is gone. I must leave the apartment. He made no provision for me." For the first time she showed emotion. "But I am going to be good. Good. I know they say a girl can't come back when once she has done something like I did. But I will prove that she can. 'Stick to your work, Mary; don't be blinded by what any one says. I know it is hard, but compared to—other things it is heaven.'"

Some way as Milly finished speaking I found myself thinking again of Alice Newlands. She was near Milly's age. I would ask her to help get a position for Milly where she could once more earn her living. Until then I would keep her with me. So when Carrie and Bettie came in they found Milly installed in my room. "Just four of us, and no more of us!" Betty caroled after she and Carrie had been properly introduced.

"Milly is a stenographer out of a job, too, Betty, so you'll have company for a day or two, or until she finds a position." We, Milly and I, had decided not to tell the girls her story. We simply said she was from the same town I was, so had come to me. I think Carrie suspected we were holding something back, but she

man returned—to his, fixed per "Damn spun," he said. "I wish I wouldn't come. I'd rather be shut than do a thing like that." Five great hotels have merged in the Grand Central Terminal zone. And simultaneously there is created a powerful rival combination in the merger of three big hotels in another zone. The object of all the combinations is to increase efficiency through operating economies. Small hotels that were before the war on the verge of bankruptcy suddenly blazed into prosperous institutions. After the war the hotel men believe that this present prosperity will be as a drop in the bucket. The floating population in New York is about 100,000 a day. After the war hotel men estimate that it will be more than 200,000 a day and if that is so New York needs more hotels.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and for years it was supposed to be incurable. Doctors prescribed local remedies, and by constantly falling to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Catarrh remedy is taken internally by Hall's Catarrh Medicine, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is a complete cure. It acts through the mucous surfaces of the System. One Hundred Dollars reward is offered for any case that Hall's Catarrh Medicine fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Sold by F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Allen's Family Pills for constipation.—Ad.

Allen's Foot-Ease Does It. When your shoes pinch or corns and bunions ache so that you are tired all day, get Allen's Foot-Ease, the antiseptic powder to be shaken into the shoes and sprinkled in the footbed. It will take the sting out of corns and bunions and give instant relief to aching, swelling, tender feet. Over 10,000 packages are being used by the American, British and French troops. Sold everywhere, 25c. Do not accept any substitute.—Ad.

State of North Carolina. County of New Hanover. In the Superior Court of the said county. SERVICIE OF SUMMON. Agnes Ledwell vs. Harvey Ledwell.

The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of New Hanover county for an absolute divorce on the ground of abandonment, and the said defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear at the next term of the Superior Court of said county to be held on the 4th Monday in June, 1918, at the court house of said county in Wilmington, N. C., and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint. This the 7th day of May, 1918. W. N. HARRISS, Clerk of Superior Court.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. Having qualified as Administrator of the estate of Mary Gore Penton, the undersigned hereby gives notice that all parties having claims against the said estate will please make prompt payment. CLAUDE GORE, Address Rockingham, N. C.

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