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WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 1918.

Some folks believe it is just plain graft as well as airplane graft.

Germany demands a war indemnit of two billion dollars from Rumania The kaiser must have sized her pile

If the Ukrainians don't look out Germany will have a pretty big expense account against them for settling their internal affairs.

Every man who feels an interest in his country's success in the war should buy war savings stamps. such interest.

France and Belgium.

mentary proceeding.

Detroit Free Press. Reckon there the enemy on the French front, are two crowned heads in continental Europe that are being bothered by the same question.

to General Pershing were said to have been, "Press on." To this the bite the dust. general might aptly have replied, "With your help we will."

Now they say there is going to be a scarcity of ice the coming summer. We have curiosity to know what substitute for the article Mr. Hoover is going to suggest to the

If General Foch knew as much about the situation at the front and the course that should be pursued as do some of his critics in this country the allied armies would be in Berlin by Sunday.

Uncle Joe Cannon may be a redhot republican, but he is for America first, last and all the time. He is supporting the president in the conduct of the war while some democrats are all the time trying to throw obstacles in his way.

Putting together the result of the third liberty bond drive and the fearful loss sustained by the Germans in their drive on the allies it would seem the kaiser would find it better policy to withdraw his army of spies and propagandists in this country and fill the depleted ranks of his armies with them.

If you feel lost for some way to spend your money patriotically be-

country still wants peace, that it has til two-thirds of the number have to fight, however, even though with agreed to it. the sword in one hand and the olive branch in the other. The trouble is that the olive branch is in their left Zeebrugge were not as successful as the Germans armed their undersea in reality losing, in that their losses true. The flunkey wastes not only vices next Sunday, was compelled to day.—Charleston Post. hand and it seems to be paralyzed," was desired, they demonstrated the boats with devices for cutting the of men will prove far more serious his own time, but often also the time give two times, the correct time and says The Charlotte News. The way fact that German submarine bases nets and the latter became almost later on than all the territory gained and money of those he serves. The the old time, because numbers of his useless. But the allies counteracted will be worth. While none of us man who takes a job that a woman fellow-citizens refuse to turn up their

MR. LOVAT FRAZER.

Americans do not object to plain talk, as Lovet Frazer says, but there is a difference between ordinary plain talk and unjust criticism. Britisher to criticise America at this day for not having "delivered the goods." Mr. Frazer differs with has done for their cause. They declare that what the United States has accomplished is something remarkhave done in aid of Great Britain he day's Dispatch. should remember that it is what she that the policy of the United States Daily and Sunday, 3 Months....\$1.75 is the cause of so many of the "allies without foundation and is an insult more than columns of reading. to the president and his counselors

and to the whole American people. If Mr. Frazer thinks this country should have done more for his country than it has done he has the right of his opinion, but it would be in better taste to display less ingratitude days, it is only the beginning, and in giving expression to that opinion.

THOSE MAUSER RIFLES.

If there be an ytruth in the report as to those million rifles and cartridges to correspond it is a serious matter and should be thoroughly investigated. Every man connected with the plot should be brought to justice. Aiding in such an act by citizens of this country is nothing short of rebellion. If the plotters are aliens they have been engaged in secretly preparing war on the United States within her borders while enjoying the protection of this government and being given homes here. This places them on the level of There is no better way of showing spies. They should be dealt with accordingly.

If these rifles and cartridges ar The government's May crop report secreted in this country and intenced sounds like we will have a plenty to for the purpose alleged there is prob eat next year and a pretty good sur- ability that there would have been plus to send to the hungry ones in serious trouble here had the Germans been successful in their driva against the allies and reached the Non-partisan politics seems to be channel ports. The defeat of the applicable only in those sections lenemy's undertaking only postponed where a nomination by one party or the putting of the equipment to the the other amounts only to a compli- intended use. If the plot had not been discovered there would have been danger at all times of a German "After the war-what?" asks The outbreak upon any signal success of

Any such demonstration, of course, would be very short-lived. It would be put down in short order. But while it lasted some good American Secretary's Baker's parting words citizens might be killed and we are sure a good many Germans would

> It would be very unfortunate for those Germans living here for such a thing to be undertaken. The instigators of such a plot are equally as much enemies of the law-abiding people of their own nationality as they are of the Americans. Such a plot would be so foolhardy that we find it hard to believe there is any truth in the report. We do not believe any responsible persons could be found who would undertake the inauguration and management of such a scheme, and men of irresponsibility would not have been entrusted with such a large amount o fproperty and placed at the head of such a con-

It is well though that the investigation be made thoroughly, for while there may be no such plan as indicated, there is no doubt that there is as to hidden rifles may lead to other has any apparent foundation should and doing. receive attention of government agents.

Those Methodist bisops flung a "Count Burian of Austria says his ferences and be fought out there un submarine was mastered.

IMPROVED SERVICE

The Dispatch announces the addition of two new features beginning being caused by the boats becoming today, the Frederic J. Haskin servand the McCutcheon cartoons. In securing these services, The Dispatch It shows great ingratitude for any feels that it has made provision for meeting a demand by the public newspaper. The Haskin service. ebsides furnishing most interesting Lloyd-George and other British lead- daily reading, put at the command of close by where the submarine was ers in belittling what this country The Dispatch readers a large corps seen to submerge or attached to a formation about various and timely Germans have not been able to oversubjects to the people of Wilmington come and it has played havoc with able. If America has not done all and vicinity. Full details of this servthat Mr. Frazer thinks she should ice are given on another page in to-

Through an arrangement with The Daily and Sunday, 3 Months.....\$1.50 has done along that line which makes | Chicago Tribune, the McCutcheon | it possible for the British armies to cartoon service is available for daily Dail and Sunday, per week 15c soil instead of on their own. Mr. Fra- the best known cartoonist in the not been born yet. zer's insinuation or rather charge country and his ability to present the striking parts of current news items has won for him international republeeding from gaping wounds" is tation. One of his cartoons will tell

The addition of these two features is only carrying out the announced policy of The Dispatch to give its readers the best service possible, and while much has already been done in this direction during the past 10 other announcements of further improved service will be made in the near future.

The Dispatch now gives its readers the advantage of the news gathering services of The Associated Press. the United Press, special correspondents in Washington and Raleigh, the Dale Drummond copywrighted serial story, the department "Of Interest to Women," the daily McIntyre letter from New York, the Standard News feature service, and today's announce ment goes far toward rounding out a service worthy of any southern news-

NO GRAND DISPLAY.

"The Columbia State says: 'No handwriting expert has yet given a translation of the letters seen traced not take handwriting experts saw the meteor, to decipher the mysterious writing upon the tablets of the heavens. To them it plainly spelled 'German,' but none of them has explained the meaning of the heavenly phenomenon." After quoting the above from The Dispatch The that Germany is going to burst and vanish in a grand display, just as that ball of fire did." Let's hope The Robesonian has solved the mystery and read the heavenly message aright, but we would like to draw the line on the "grand display" to accompany the "bursting and vanishing" of Germany. Let's have it in gloomy darkness.

WILMINGTON'S TASK.

let disappointment follow. Getting taking, but that is not the greatest who gloat in gore. difficulty with which the people of the city will have to contend. They must not think that all that is necessary has been done. They are only on the threshhold of their undertakture. All these people will have to be housed, fed and furnished the necessaries and comforts of life; school facilities where the schoolhouses are already taxed to their full much shiftet work of hostile kind to- capacity. All these things and many ward the government and people of others consequent upon the great in-The running down of these rumors ingenuity of any people to settle satisfactorily to themselves and to the discoveries as important. Every ru- newcomers. There is no time for demor of plotting by Germans which lay either. The people must be up

THE DEPTH BOMB.

woman representation in the church effective of any means yet devised when they discovered the constitu- for destroying submarines. Torpecause the liberty bond drive is over, tional objection to the resolution does, shells from connon and mines we remind you that the war stamp granting the right. The friends of have to strike to attain results. The and thrift certificate campaign is the measure were congratulating explosion of the depth bomb in close still on and the Red Cross drive will themselves on the glorious victory proximity to the boat under water soon begin. There is no reason to they had won for the women of the will shatter the latter or so badly pine for lack of a way to help your church. Now the contest has to be damage it as to put it out of comcountry make preparation for the gone all over again and that, too, in mission. At one time these depth a much larger field. The proposition bombs were used so effectively that mans have gained considerable ground passed laws providing that every maintain an open door to the peo- and Graham Dickson. The latter two will come up in all the annual con- Lloyd-George announced that the they have not broken the allied lines, able-bodied man must work so many ples of oppressed nations, and furth- were turned down on account of their

might cut the nets, the bombs would be exploded before the boats could get clear of the nets, the explosion

entangled in them. So, as fast as the Germans devise a plan to overcome the new mode of warfare against submarines another and a more effective device is which cannot be met by the average brought into play. The last and most destructive of these is the depth bomb, either dropped from a warship of trained men and women in Wash- net so placed as to catch the boat in ington whose duty it is to furnish in- its meshes. This last device the their submarines.

The prophecy that the man of the hour who was to come to the front "out of the north" during the war is slow in fulfilment, and conditions in be now fighting the enemy on French use by The Dispatch. McCutcheon is Russia would indicate that he has

With The Editors

Greensboro News: The big guns may roar, but still it may be considered in order to treat oneself to a moment of week-end relaxation and devote a little thought to the general subject of crops. At the present writing the outlook is good all along the line. And it may have the effect of giving the kaiser pause if, after the announcement of the success of the liberty loan campaign, it is permissible to state that there is a promise of bumper crops in the country. The kaiser might have some doubts then on the subject of divine aid.

Asheville Times: The Germania-Herold acknowledges its error. In reference to its former insistance that England started the world war, the Germania-Herold says: repeated the assertion to our readers be sufficient. The thing can be done that English statesmen, jealous of Germany's success in the world markets attempted to encircle it. The Lichnowsky memorandum and Jagow admission have made realize the importance of the expose of Prussian methods made by Prince Lichnowsky. German people had their eyes opened.

claim being that American aviators ambulance men and Y .M. C. A. attendants. The Spanish government. which recently secured an answer from Germany about the treatment of American prisoners, has been requested to again catch the ear of the kaihis charges against our aviators. Germany has been reduced to a very petulant mood when her government Robesonian says: "Plainly it meant can find time to be magnifying trifles of this sort, and people who have been reading late reports about the war can form an approximate idea as to what has provoked this spirit of petulancy.

> Charlotte News: Carl Ackerman says that the time is at hand when the Germans demand either victory on the west front or revolution and they can get the revolution whenever they want.

are said by the war experts to be hin- the world, begin at home. dering the resumption of the offen-Now that Wilmington has secured sive by the Germans. Not among the ernment officials who are wrestling the two shippards big things will be least of them, we should imagine, is with the labor problem feel about it expected of her. Her people must not a growing disinclination on the part One of them, for example, recently of the soldiers to fling themselves visited a certain seaport city where against the wall of death just to grat- terminals are glutted and factories the shippards was a difficult under- ify the blood-lust of the war lords

Charlotte Observer: Having riveted the shackles on Rumania in what he considers a satisfactory manner. Count Burian, the Austro-Hungarian prime minister, says his government ing. The population of the city will will still be found "holding the sword be greatly increased in the near fu- in one hand and the olive branch in the other," but camouflage was never so well burlesqued as in the Prussianized "olive branch."

their children will nave to be given Dr. Wilson and His French Protege. to his room in the elevator, while a sea in striking headlands, against this country being done in our midst. crease in population would tax the France for his adopted daughter and bor of leading him to a seat in the known. But the area which has been The depth bomb, which is an Amer- named Jacquelin Coulon, aged four well for himself, and the other four most interesting things about At. bombshell among the advocates of ican invention, has proven the most or five years. Her picture was en. did work which could as well have Mount Desert island has long been closed and Dr. Wilson is justly proud if his charitable act which should be under military age. followed by others.

Statesville Landmark: "Every day that the German is prevented from Before the depth bomb came into ports; and the territory gained is of the same effect. use steel nets were used very suc- little value compared with the sacri- But the idea that superfluous and cessfully for awhile and many subma- fice of men made to gain it. From unnecessary work is worse than idle-While the attacks on Ostend and rines were caught with them. Then this viewpoint, while the Germans are ness does not seem to have made the Italian front it looks like their Other and more successful attacks this by attaching death bombs to the right hands are paralyzed also.

Other and more successful attacks this by attaching death bombs to the nets, and though the entangled boats work he should do, but is depriving savings law commands.—Monroe Journal of the contract of the cont

The Flunkey Nust Go

By FREDERICK J. HASKIN. Washington, D. C., May 15 .-America has no man power to waste in unnecessary occupations.

With our allies calling for millions of men at the front, with a crop maturing which is beyond the capacity of our farmers to harvest, with almost every industry essential to the war suffering from a shortage of labor, the above statement does not seem to require detailed proof.

It does seem to need no emphasizing, for in the United States today us. Alice with her sweet, homey there is a fair-sized army of men en- ways; her beau, her good position; gaged in occupations which could be the only one she ever had had, her abolished without real injury to any-kind employer; and then Milly and one, and another small army of those Betty, both, who had been so hardly who do things that women or young boys could do as well. The solution of the war-time labor

problem depends upon the creation of a public sentiment which will force these men into the occupations where they are needed. Suspension of unnecessary occupations is a necessary war measure, and one that will probably have to be passed by public opinion rather than by con-

This point of view is expressed for the department of agriculture by Clarence H. Ousley, assistant secre-

"The flunkey must go," is the way he expresses it . And under the term flunkey he includes not only such superfluous menials as the footmen, butlers and valets in the service of private persons, but also the vast throng which is employed in hotels and other public places in wasting sharply to me. the time and ambushing the small change of the patrons.

Mr. Ousley asserts that record-breaking crop which is combe successfully harvested—that is, if we are to be able to feed our allies and ourselves for another year-town and city people have got to do a good borers in the country, aided by the her work. working boys' reserve and by sol-"We, too, have time and time again diers on furlough, are not going to only by closing stores and shops in the towns, sending clerks and mer- George." chants into the grain fields. And it is meet that the city and

town folk should recognize this as view ridiculous." Few Americans their responsibility because if there is a shortage of foodstuff next winter, upon them will it fall. The farmer who raises the food will see to that a generous supply remains in his own larder. The government will Charlotte Observer: Things surely exercise its war powers to take are not going well with eGrmany. The neough for the army. If anyone sufgovernment of that country has now fers, it will be the city and town peoon the sky by the meteor.' It did got down to making petty charges ple; and for that reason every city against United States soldiers, one dweller in America should feel that the people of Robeson county, who have gone to France in the guise of sonal responsibility resting upon him. Of course, no great proportion of city dwellers can actually go into the fields and work. The extra laborers needed will have to be recruited mainly from the small towns in the rural districts. Some towns in the ser and ask him to produce proof of grain belt closed all business and went into the fields as a single man last year. This year that practice

> will have to become general. But, while the city dweller may not be able to pitch hay or bind grain, he nevertheless has a conscientious duty in this connection-he can see to it that the work he does is necessary work, and that no one in his employ. or whom he patronizes, is engaged in unnecessary work or in women's work. Let the "squaw worker" and the "flunkey" go to join the slacker as ojects of ignominy. Let the American citizen, however wealthy, be not ashamed to carry his own grip, brush off his own clothes and open his own front door. Let this democracy, Charlotte News: Several things which we are going to bestow upon That seems to be the way the gov-

slowed down for lack of labor. When Mount Desert island off the coast of he reached the station, with a light grip in one hand, several large, powerful darkies in uniform ran a foot race across the waiting room for the with a dime. Another uniformed permen did another fifty yard dash for garden." his grip, and one of these harvested most profusely for his benevolence, to solve the labor question found The feeling that idleness is a

reaching any of his objectives must his jurisdiction would either go to cently announced that every man in beauty spot. be counted a day of success for the work or go to jail. The Ku Klux allies, is the cheering remark of the Klan recently appeared in Birming-Greensboro Daily News. That is ham, Ala., with a warning to all based on the fact that while the Ger- idlers. Several states have recently have not reached any of their object hours a day, and many towns and ermore to merge them as far as post youth.—Fayetteville Observer. tives—Amiens, Paris, the channel cities have begun to enforce laws to sible into one nation of common lan-

nets, and though the entangled boats really discouraging in the situation. some woman of the independent in-



A Detriment to Good Work. CHAPTER XII.

WyHAT a queer life a stenographer led, I thought as I left Alice. What a difference in girls, and in the men who employed tempted: Carrie and I who worked like dogs; and had only our pay envelopes. None of the consideration which Alice had thrown in to stimu-

late us to do our best. It is a good thing that girls do need to work hard for their money sometimes. It doesn't give us so much time to think; and to become discontented. This thought consoled me.

You may be sure I was excited over the prospect of meeting George Harkness. I liked his name. It sounded sensible and well-dependable. It was hard to give attention to my work that afternoon. I was continually wondering what he was like, if he would approve of me, and I of him. I was just 20 years old, you know.

For the first time since I had gone with Peters & Co. the manager spoke

"Aren't you well. Miss Matthews? You are making mistakes."

"I'm sorry. I will be more careful," told him, and resolutely put George ing to maturity in this country is to Harkness and everything save my work from my mind. Perhaps that was what Alice meant, in part, anyway, when she had said she couldn't work and play both in the same day. part of the work. The farmers them- Her mind would be on Tom, and selves and all the regular farm la- where they were going instead of on

> Alice was waiting at the elevator when I left.

"The boys are downstairs," she said as I joined her. "I hope you will like

too. At the entrance to the building stood two young men. They imme- ty broke in. "We didn't know we had diately stepped toward us, and Alice a star living with us, did we, Mary!" introduced me to her Tom, and to George Harkness. Tom Hunter was any office position, rather easier in a man of about 30, a tall, slender, fact." Milly said; then turning to me: dark-haired fellow, with rather a se- "I can fill it. I think, Mary, I shall rious looking, though kind, face. try anyway." George Harkness was just his opposite. Short, rather stocky, light encouraged, not quite sure that she

They walked to the subway with us, and then I left them. Alice took airesses. Why should I worry when a different route, as she roomed in my pals bring in the dough?" said the Brooklyn with some friends; and the irrepressible Betty. two young men were going to walk. "We frequently do in fine weather," Tom Hunter told me, "although we

live up in the sixties. We get very little exercise, and it is good for as well as being economical." "So they had to be economical well as girls," I thought, as I pushed my way through the crowd

wondered if George Harkness like me, and I blushed at the thought had been very much taken with good-natured face and laughing eyes He looked as if he were full of fur And I had so little of anything that could be called fun in my life. I told the girls all about him when

got home. They tried to tease me but I was so happy I didn't care. "Orange blossoms are my favoring flower," Betty said when I had finished. "And I love a wedding better than anything in the world. Are you going to be married in church Mary?"

"I suppose you will be leaving us now to go out with your new friends" Carrie said, a little of her jealous showing.

"Off with the old and on with the new!" Betty sang before I could an swer. Then I said: "You know better than that, Can

rie. No new friends ever can take your place. But it would be nice to go somewhere once in a while and have some one do the paying" "Of course it would, Mary," Can rie returned at once. "And I hope your George will give you lots of

good times.' Just then Milly, who had been to the store, came in and she, too, had to be told.

A sad look came into her big ever but she said, brightly: "I'm glad, Mary. Some times those

office fellows are very nice. Anyway they aren't usually fresh, and they will give you a little good time Then she told us that she had found a place. "I saw an advertisement in the paper and I answered it. It sort of private secretary to the secre. tary of a big business man." "My, you must be some steno

you can be a private secretary!" Be "Oh, it won't be any harder than "You will get along all right"

brown hair, and blue saughing eyes. would. "How much is he going to He was younger, I judged about 22 or give you?" Ten dollars to commence "I'm so glad I live with million-

CONTINUED TOMORROW.

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come that might release another

The flunkeys are relies of barbarism anyhow. They are not evidences of culture and superiority, as most of their employers imagine, but survivals of the primitive desire to make a show of power and wealth. For power and wealth, as well as for men, there are better occupations now.

"The flunkey must go."

TRAVELETTE BY NIKSAH,

SIEUR DE MONTS NATIONAL MONUMENT. This is one of the newest of the

great American national parks and monuments, having been created less than a year ago. It consists of a tract of wild hill country on the famous Maine, where Bar Harbor, the fashionable summer resort, is located. Mount Desert island has long been

honor of bearing this seven-pound famous for its beauty, there being a burden a distance of thirty feet to a passage in the journal of Governor taxicab, the winner being rewarded Winthrop, written in 1630, which refers to its "fair sunshine weather son opened the door of the cab for and so pleasant a sweet air s did When he reached his hotel, refresh us; and there comes a smell several active and able-bodied white from off the shore like the smell of a

The hill of Mount Desert island are another dime by chaperoning him up bold and steep, running down to the Cleveland Star: Last July Dr. H. D. little later a man accepted a piece of which the surf of the cold northern Wilson quit smoking cigars and change for bringing a pitcher of wa- ocean beats continually. The charm pledged to give 10 cents a day or ter. At dinner a two-hundred pound of the place as a summer resort, by 36.50 a year to feed a French or colored gentleman in a dress suit reason of its delightfully cool and phan girl. He has sent \$27.80 to gracefully performed the heavy la- bracing climate, has long been had a letter this week from the child's cafe, while another took his order set aside as a national monument is mother acknowledging receipt of the and stood behind his chair. This also of unusual scientific interest bemoney. In the letter she thanked him government official, who was trying cause of the great variety of bird life found upon it. Under the regime The letter was written in French, and that he enjoyed the services of no of the federal government, this bit was beyond Dr. Wilson's interpreta- less than seven able-bodied men be- o the Acadian wilderness of Maine tion, but it was translated by the tween five and seven-thirty, and will be carefully guarded against van-French teacher at the graded school that they relieved him of a total of dalism, while at the same time it will and conveyed the information that the ninety cents; that three of them did be open as a playground to all the child supported by Dr. Wilson is nothing he could not have done as people. This is, in fact, one of the been performed by women or boys known as the stamping ground & the wealthy, who already own the greater part of it. The establishment crime under present conditions is there of a national monument means rapidly spreading all over the countries that no American citizen shall be de- you belongs to de navy!"—Atlanta try. A sheriff in Sherman, Texas, re. nied the privileges of this American

Refused to Move Up Clock. Our Indian Trail correspondent, in United States is going to cause an seemingly making headway, they are much progress. Yet it is patently announcing the hour for church ser-international complication,

guage and common political ideals.

A DAILY LESSON IN HISTORY. One Hundred Years Ago Today. 1818-European scientific societies observed the 200th anniversary of Kepler's discovery of the laws regu-

lating the movements of the planets. Seventy-five Years Ago Today. 1843-Louis C. Hughes, territorial governor of Arizona, noted as a reformer, born in Philadelphia. Died in

Fifty Years Ago Today. 1868-Delegates assembled in Chicago for the republican national con-

Twenty-five Years Ago Today. 1893—Constitutionality of Geary Chinese exclusion act sustained by Supreme Court of United States.

ONE YEAR AGO TODAY IN WAR. May 15, 1917 .- General Petain succeeded General Nivelle in supreme command of the French armies; United States senate passed bill increasing the personnel of the navy and marine corps.

OUR DAILY BIRTHDAY PARTY. Prof. Henry P. Talbot, of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, who has been serving on one of the war commissions, born in Boston, 54 Rear Admiral George A. Bicknell,

U. S. N., retired, born at Batsto, N. J., 72 years ago today. Dr. Edwin A. Alderman, president of the University of Virginia, born at

Wilmington, N. C., 57 years ago today. Henry L. Doherty, New York capitalist, in control of many public utility corporations throughout the country, born at Columbus, O., 48 years

James L. Smith, infielder of the Boston National League baseball team, born at Pittsburgh, 23 years ago In the Other Service.

At a negro Methodist revival the minister asked all who belonged to the army of the Lord to stand up. A stranger on the front bench arose. The minister went up to him and said: "Brudder, do you belong to de

army ob de Lawd?" "Yes, sah," said the stranger. "I belongs to de Baptist army." "Oh, pshaw, nigger," said the minister. "You don't belong to de army,

Too Young for service. The following young men of Rae Melting pot is an appellation that ford went to Raleigh last week to enhas been given to the United States list for the navy: Love Hines, David because its policy has always been to Wright, Robert Cox, Henry Grimes

> International Complication. Some German agent running 8 French dry cleaning shop in the

A Slight Difference. It is only a difference of language son."-Batavia Times.