

FORD SEES VICTORY WITH SMALL TANKS.

If Standardized, 90,000 Could Be Made in Three Months With Each to Contain Two Men and a Machine Gun With Armor Protection.

(New York Times.)

Henry Ford issued a statement yesterday asserting that America could win the war only by throwing "the whole weight of our industries and tool power into the balance."

In speaking of his plans for the development of a smaller and faster tank he expresses the opinion that the "trenches can be conquered and the stalemate broken if we develop and use the right machinery."

"To me it seems out of place to send men with bare bodies and rifles against trenches of concrete, fortified with barbed wire, machine, guns, and cannon. A small tank can be made for attack that will carry two men and a machine gun, with armor protection strong enough to resist the hail of machine-gun bullets and shrapnel splinters. Such tanks, if standardized to one model, could be produced at the rate of 1,000 or 2,000 a day. Once production was started 90,000 tanks could be made in three months. Distributed equally along the west front this would place one tank every eighteen feet. In each tank two men, shielded by armorplate, with a machine gun would have the offensive power of fifty soldiers with rifles. That advantage would come from possession of the better piece of fighting machinery. Soldiers would stand in line to have a chance to attack in such outfits."

In discussing the problems of food production and control, Mr. Ford says that "the solution lies in the increase of tool power on the land." He suggests the use of tractors for all sorts of farmwork and adds:

"One tractor sent to France or England now will produce fifty times its weight and bulk in wheat and food this year. One ship carrying tractors now is as good as fifty ships carrying food next fall."

A workman can build a tractor in fifteen days, he says and each tractor would mean the addition of two or three men to the supply of farm labor. He continues in writing up the food problem:

"We shall get more food not by book-keeping and clerical regulation in the cities but by the use of more and better machinery on the land." He adds that the production of more machinery depends upon labor and leadership, and continues: "Absentee control can never get the best out of the factory. The heads of industry must live close to the work; they must know metals and machines, and be ready to give every man a square deal."

He concludes his statement by praising the work of the workmen in the Ford factories. He says he ascribes the absence of labor difficulties to the knowledge of men that "the company is not seeking profit from war work." He says the men "deserve credit for most of the progress that we have made in the production of ships, tractors, and airplane parts. He says he believes that "profiteering breeds distrust and antagonism." He praises also the policies, and ideals of President Wilson.

To Have Your Address Changed.

From time to time we have subscribers who have their address changed. This can be done easily if the subscriber will do four things:

- First—Get a postal card. Second—Write, "Please change my address from.....R. F. D. No. (if you live on a rural mail route) to.....R. F. D. No....." Third—Sign your name just like it appears on the little yellow label on your paper. Fourth—Address it to The Herald, Smithfield, N. C., then put it in the postoffice, or give to the mail carrier, and Uncle Sam and we will do the rest.

Subscribers who do this will avoid delays and save us unnecessary trouble.

Easter Music at Horne Memorial.

Clayton, N. C., March 28.—The choir of the Horne Memorial Church, under the leadership of Mrs. Chas. Gulley and supported by twenty-five or thirty voices will render a beautiful sacred cantata entitled "The First Easter" on Easter Sunday evening beginning at 8 o'clock. The cantata abounds in beautiful solos, duos, etc., and will be sung by some of our best singers. The cantata will occupy the entire hour of the evening service at the close of which an offering will be made.

BENTONSVILLE NEWS.

Farmers Planting Corn. Bigger and Better Gardens. Messrs. Beasley and Evans Visit Camp Jackson.

Bentonville, March 26.—Rev. Mr. Lappin, of Wilson, filled his regular appointment at Mill Creek Sunday. Rev. T. W. Siler will fill the pulpit at Ebenezer M. E. Church next fifth Sunday, the 31st at 3:30 P. M.

Mr. Lorman Dupree, of Dunn, was a caller in this section Thursday.

Miss Emma Flowers is spending a few days in Dunn with relatives.

Mr. J. M. Beasley and Mr. D. Evans spent a few days of last week at Camp Jackson, S. C., with their sons, Messrs. W. B. Beasley and Ramson Evans who are in Uncle Sam's service.

The Vocal Union will convene with Mill Creek Disciple church next Sunday, March 31.

Mrs. H. Arnold, of Rocky Mount, is spending some time in this section, the guest of her brother, Mr. W. A. Powell.

We are having a great deal of sickness through this section at this time.

Our farmers are some busy now preparing the soil for different crops. Some have planted corn and they all have larger gardens than ever.

We are glad to note that Mr. Lewis Williams who has been confined at his home for some time with pneumonia is out again.

SANDERS CHAPEL NOTES.

The recent rains makes the fall sown wheat and oats look green, the tobacco plants, Irish potatoes, garden sass and spring hatch of chickens look promising.

Miss Thelma Godwin has returned from a Goldsboro hospital, where she went for treatment. Now we shall have her cheery voice, smiling face and sunny visits among us.

Miss Haskin, one of the "Pomona" school teachers, is conducting a private school of thirty odd pupils, since the closing of the regular school. This shows the community interest in education.

The blooming fruit trees, red tinted maple, yellow green budding oaks, green pine tree back ground of the woods, cackling hens, lusty crowing roosters, drumming strut of the gobbler, mating of the sky tommit and sparrow, along with the beautiful tulips, hyacinths and dew drops, remind us of the beautiful gentle "Annie" Spring time.

Sheriff Powell is still on the sick list. The Doctor goes, and says (virtually) "continue your dogwood." His daughter, Mrs. L. L. Matthews, of Sampson, is with him now. Mrs. Chesnut, another daughter from Sampson, having gone home with her little six months old boy, who had a combination case of Roseola, whooping cough and teething which almost converted his quarters into a bawl room. Many of his friends call to see him, bringing evidences of good wishes. One sent a planked shad by parcel post, another a gallon of oysters, while others brought various eatables, fruits and confectionaries, all of which he hopes, sometimes to suitably acknowledge. Something besides money, helps on life's journey.

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Boon Hill Woman Doing Her Part.

Thinking of the many generous and patriotic mothers of the South who not only are giving their sons to help in the great struggle for world-wide liberty and freedom, but who are devoting their time and energy to their homes in economizing and saving the food-stuffs on the farm, is Mrs. C. A. Holt living near Princeton.

Last summer she canned enough beans, corn, okra, tomatoes, and fruit to last until time for their bearing again. Not only can she supply her table in the vegetable line, but last week she took off one hundred and thirty-five biddies out of one hundred and eighty that were hatched in the incubator. She is a live business like woman who is doing her part in helping win this war, and it would be a good idea for others to take lessons from her.

VISITOR.

Princeton, N. C.

Notice of Registration.

To the Voters of Smithfield Township: Having been appointed Registrar the Registration books for the purpose of registering for Special Tax Election to be held Tuesday, April 30th, 1918, will be open at the Court House in Smithfield on each Saturday between March 29th and April 20th 1918. Days between these dates books will be open at the Mayor's office. New registration is required.

J. N. COBB, Registrar Smithfield Township. This March 27th, 1918.

After years of experimenting a Massachusetts carpenter has built a small table that contains 29 secret drawers.

NEWS OF THE WEEK IN CLAYTON

Rev. J. A. Campbell Preaches at Baptist Church Sunday. Marriage of Mr. Hugh Coats and Miss Chloe Sturdivant. Personal Notes.

Clayton, March 27.—Mrs. M. G. Gulley is spending this week in Cary. Mr. Clifford Gulley, of Raleigh, visited relatives here Sunday.

Mrs. Vick Austin spent the past week-end with relatives at Benson.

After spending a week here with his parents, Mr. Rudolph Barnes returned to his post of duty at Fort Caswell Sunday.

Mr. Carlton Stephenson, of Camp Sevier, spent a few hours here Sunday with his parents.

Mrs. Hugh A. Page and little son, Hugh, Jr., left Tuesday for Charlotte where they will spend sometime with Mrs. Page's husband who is in training at Camp Greene.

Miss Alta Debnam spent last week-end with relatives in Selma.

Mr. A. V. Gulley, of Smithfield, was in town Tuesday on business.

Mr. R. H. Garrison, of Raleigh, was here visiting friends Sunday afternoon.

Among the ladies who are attending the Woman's Meeting at Asheville this week are Mesdames B. A. Hocutt, A. C. Hamby and D. H. McCullers.

Mr. Duke Duncan left last Saturday for Camp Jackson, S. C. We regret very much to lose him, as well as all others from our town, but we trust he is going to do his part and feel sure he will. He has our prayers and best wishes.

Mr. C. W. Pender went to Goldsboro Tuesday to attend the funeral of one of his friends there.

Mr. Howard Gulley returned Sunday last from Rocky Mount where he spent the past week looking after a car load of cows for Mr. Sam Musgrove.

The patriotic address at the school auditorium on last Friday night by Hon. O. B. Eaton, of Winston-Salem, was very instructive and helpful to all present.

In the absence of the pastor, Rev. A. C. Hamby, who was assisting in a meeting at Buies Creek, Rev. J. A. Campbell came over from Buies Creek and occupied the pulpit of the Baptist church Sunday morning and at night. Mr. Campbell has several friends here and all who attended either service found that it was well worth their time to hear such a man as this one. Mr. Campbell is President of Buies Creek Academy. He was accompanied over here by Mr. Edgar Lynch who is a teacher of voice at the academy.

On last Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lehman Johnson, of Powhatan, Mr. Hugh Coats, of Bethesda and Miss Chloe Sturdivant, of Mt. Moriah, were quietly married. Mr. Johnson performed the ceremony. Only a few friends of the couple were present.

TYPHOID SEASON SOON HERE.

March Proving Low-Water Mark for Typhoid. Only Thirty-Six Cases in Entire State.

"There are at present only thirty-six cases of typhoid fever known to exist in North Carolina," according to a report just furnished by Dr. A. McR. Crouch, State Epidemiologist. "This," continues the report, "is the lowest number of cases of typhoid known to exist in the State at any one time since typhoid fever was made a reportable disease. March, however has shown the lowest number of deaths from typhoid of any month in the year for the last four years. The average for the entire State being less than thirteen deaths each year during March. Beginning with April, the number of deaths each month increases rapidly to an average of 141 for August, after which the monthly deaths decreases rapidly until the following March."

The special warning contained in the report is to guard against flies which carry the disease germs from open back closets through unscreened kitchen and dining room windows to polluted and poison food and drink. Thorough screening of every door and window is urged, together with the construction of sanitary closets which will exclude flies, the swatting of stray flies found in the house and the still more general use of anti-typhoid vaccine as a preventive.

On a trolley car running from Brooklyn Bridge to Coney Island, George Roth is motorman and his daughter, Grace, is conductorette.

NOTICE.

My son, Willie Thomas Rhodes, sixteen years of age, has left my home without cause. This is to notify the public that I will not be responsible for any debts or contracts he may make and all persons are warned against harboring or aiding him in any way.

This March 26, 1918.

T. H. RHODES, Four Oaks, N. C., R. No. 1.

Girls What Do You Want for Easter?

We have just received a big lot of silk, silk dresses, silk waists, silk skirts and, well, whatever it takes to dress you up and make you look nice you will find it in our Ladies Department.

Our Prices

on this line for the next two weeks will be reduced to the very bottom so we may help you get it. We are agents for the Standard Patterns and the Designer.

Ladies

Our stock of Dry Goods of all kinds is very complete and we will be glad to help you make any selections you want from our big stock and our prices speak for themselves--They are our best salesman.

Boys

If you want a nice Suit, Hat, Tie, Shirt or Slippers for Easter we can fit you from stock or have you a suit made to order by one of the best Tailoring houses in the United States

Gentlemen

If you need anything in the Grocery or feed line or fertilizer we can save you some money if you will see us before you buy. All we want is a chance. Our prices and goods sell themselves.

Come and See Us. We save you Money and Appreciate Your Business.

Yours to Please

Roberts Corbett & Woodard Selma, N. C.

Farming Season And Farming Weather

Have you farming machinery and implements with which to farm successfully this year with the scarcity of labor now confronting us? If you haven't come to see our lines of Chattanooga and Oliver plows, Disc and Section Harrows, Riding Plows, Tractors, and Riding Cultivators, Lime and Manure Spreaders. We especially invite your inspection of our No. 4 International Harvester Co's. pivot axle riding cultivator as a time and labor saver. They are the most successful riding cultivator both in work and operation yet invented. We are willing for the cultivators to produce our evidence in this assertion, and for you to be the jury and judge. We will gladly let you take one on trial in your own field together with any other riding cultivator made, and see the superior points in work and easy operations of our cultivators. Any boy can successfully operate one. Buy one of these cultivators and produce more high priced corn, cotton and tobacco than you ever did, not withstanding you may be short of farm help. We consider them the only redemption for the farmer with the scarcity and high price labor.

Our Knickerbocker Form-A-Tractor

too, is a wonderful invention for the farmer. Any one owning a Ford car can within a few minutes time attach one of these tractors and have a machine that will break your soil as deep and thorough as any high priced tractor. They are a wonder. Call to see one if only through curiosity. Have you seen one of our Meadows Flour Mills or Sterling Corn Mills in operation? They turn you out more bread and better bread than any Mills on the market. If interested, we will gladly take you out to see some of our customers who have these Mills in operation and let you get an expression from them.

We Also Carry Gasoline and Kerosene Engines

Mowers and Rakes, Reapers and Binders, Threshers, Cotton and Corn Planters, Guano Distributors, In fact we carry, or can get for you, anything manufactured by the International Harvester Co. or Walter A. Wood. A full stock of Oats, Red Dog, Ship Stuff, C. S. Feed Meal, Beet Pulp, Hay and other feeds. Best fancy patent flour. New shipment of Cook Stoves and Ranges just received. Tobacco Furnace Grates.

Our Gent's and Ladies' Oxfords and Spring line of dry goods and notions are coming in. Come in to see us.

"We absolutely guarantee everything we sell to be as represented.

Roberts-Atkinson Co., Inc. Selma, North Carolina