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# AN TEN MILLION REGISTER FOR WAR SER

### MANHOOD OF THE NATION OBEYS PRESIDENT'S CALL AND SETS AT NAUGHT ALL GERMAN PLOTTINGS

Registration Day Passes Without a Single Untoward Incident of Consequence

MEN VOLUNTEER IN MASS

Governors Are Unanimous in Reporting That Full Registration is Indicated

MANY CLAIM NO EXEMPTION

No Report on Actual Figures Given Out Last Night

than ten million young Americans enrolled themselves today for war a few weeks of preparation, taken in the United States comevent of consequence.

obeyed the President's call and f German sympathizers and the gainst registration. It remains ginning registration. out to select the men who are to to to the front.

Quiet Prevailed Everywhere.

From virtually every state reassureral, Federal supervising officer of the mitted up to midnight, the governors were unanimous in reporting that complete quiet had prevailed through-

em to keep open as long as men shed to enroll themselves. The re-It will be further to delay the transmission of returns, however.

The early reports showing a full rnout all over the country, indicated au as to the number of men within specified age limits would be veriures were available, the estimates necked closely.

A typical message received was that said. "Spontaneous and without

so ready throughout the

ng before registration had closed and other two were close on their heels. Make No Exemption Claim.

men to make any reply to the ques-"Do you claim exemption?" endent families; men with obvious are certain to keep them at home, ently they have entered fully into very spirit of the law. They are tent to leave the question of exemption to the exemption boards. y have no claims to make; but ready to do their share, whatever

f sorting and classifying the each governor will make to Gen- and that if an emergency exists, now tal Crowder of the registration of his is the time for them to spend it. may go forward promptly. It

ery precinct has reported. .

country on his desk. Supplementary Registration.

There remain several supplementary sumer." ater and the roll of Americans now can Nurserymen's Association. (Continued on Page Three).

## Sons Of Carolina Maintain State's Honorable Record

Registration Day Remarkable for Promptness Shown by Young Men, White and Colored, in Presenting Themselves and Gratifying

> for Patriotic Spirit Shown—Registrars Swamped in Some Places—No Disturbance; Few Evasions

was remarkable for the promptness and it is expected when the returns with which the men went to the polling will show that six thousand or more places to register early in the day and wars registered in the county of Meckthe number of men, white and colored, lenburg. The county precincts are ex-Washington, June 5 .- More towns and villages in the city last night. While, as might have been ex- almost all registration places long pected, it was impossible to more than lines of applicants patiently waited estimate the number registered in the their turn till the middle of the after- lingness of the negroes to register and ped and two persons were killed and service. Registration day, with State, the reports available indicate city precincts had to be increased to the rush of Virginia moutaineers to 29 injured and material damage resultthat the number will exceed all esti- sixty to take care of the registration. nates made prior to yesterday.

ing, especially in the larger towns and ed to the polling places early in the broke relations with Germany, but tocities, there was a surprising rush of day. No suggestion of anti-registra- day's registration figures showed that pleted without a single untoward men for registration at the polling tion sentiment and no disorder of any places, necessitating in many instances kind was observed at any box, but on the calling of extra help to assist the the contrary many negroes applied who day" in Birmingham, with the raising ably is the forerunner of a great inregistrars. At Goldsboro the crush be- were obviously under or over age. The manhood of the nation came so great that National Guardsmen The registrars believe there are only were called to the scene to keep back one or two individuals within the city General Wood, commander of the Souththe crowd to await their turn. The of Charlotte due to register who did eastern Department of the United volunteered in mass, setting at registration forces had to be multiplied not do so, but they were not sure of at Charlotte. At Rocky Mount and these cases. naught all schemes and plottings other places men stood in long lines awaiting their turn. A remarkable REGISTRATION IN WAYNE IS feature was that in many instances long few cranks who have agitated lines of men were at the polling places waiting when the hour struck for be-

A feature of the day was the large number of negroes who presented themselves for registration and the fine spirit they showed. It was remarkable that few of them gave notice that they would claim exemption, even when ng messages came tonight to Brigadier closely questioned on this point, many of them saying they were ready to

fight for their country if needed. According to the reports from over the State, there were very few evasions, and the spirit everywhere shown was fratifyingly patriotic. No disturbance of any kind in North Carolina was reported last night. The reports as a whole from over the State indicate that out the day and that a full registra- the event was a complete and inspiring success, so far as North Carolina is concerned, and that the Old North State did well her full duty yesterday.

The day at Rocky Mount was remarkplaced the number to register at 1,450, the number will probably reach 2,000. The two-days-old Red Cross chapter swelled its membership yesterday from 84 to 478, and the bankers and others there succeeded in securing 250 individual subscriptions to the Liberty Loan, aggregating a quarter million dollars and perhaps considerably more.

by the count. Wherever partial CHARLOTTE; REGISTRARS RUSHED hundred and sixty-one persons were numbers, and finally it was deemed adregistered within the city limits here

Registration Day in North Carolina today under the selective draft act from the rural precincts are in they pected to register between 2,000 and

The surprise to the local registrars early hours of the morning and at

saw the first military census ever | In numbers of places yesterday morn- enroll and to enroll early. They crowd-

Goldsboro, N. C., June 5 .- Officials tation against registration here today of this kind, while the large registration gave the impression that there will not be any eligibles convicted for treason in Wayne county.

The registration in Goldsboro and estimated that the total for the county will be between 3,000 and 4,000. patriotic concert was given here tonight when the registration places closed at 9 o'clock, by the Second Regiment band.

REGISTRARS OVERWHELMED AT GOLDSBORO; GUARDSMEN CALLED

Goldsboro, N. C., June 5 .- Registration Day dawned in this city today with a clear sky and patriotism in the While the previous estimate registrars had gathered at their respective places, long lines of men, both white and colored, were gathered in an

The registrars realized from the beginning that the work set apart for pectations of the officials having the affair in charge, and so great was the rush upon the registrars, that they were forced to call for volunteers, and even after help had been secured, the Charlotte, N. C., June 5 .- Forty-four crowd continued to increase in large (Continued on Page Seven).

# EX-GOVERNOR STUBBS MANY OLD 'GRADS 'PAY OPPOSES RATE RAISE HOMAGE TO ALMA MATER

Spend Some of Their Surplus

Declares He Believes This Will Be Banner Year For the Carriers-Thorne Voices Further Op.

Washington, June 5 .- Former Goverwith the closing of each registration nor W. R. Stubbs, of Kansas, told officials went at once to the the Interstate Commerce Commission today that the railroads of the United order that the brief synopsis States have a billion dollar surplus,

"I believe this will be a banner year the work and no figures for the for the roads, without a 15 per cent ate will come to Washington until raise in freight rates," declared Mr. Eight classes held special exercises expectations. The turn out of negroes Structions to registrars were com- ducer would have to foot a \$300,000,- the classes of 1857, 1887, 1892, 1897, comply with the law. blete and clear. Their task has been 000 additional bill, if this advance 1902, 1907 and 1912. Judge Francis made as simple as possible, and Gen- were approved. With the public pay- D. Winston of Bertie county, presid- TURKS CHANGE PLANS AND tal Crowder is hopeful that another ing heavy war taxes, now is the time ed over the exercises with his usual with hours will be hopeful that another ing heavy war taxes, now is the time ed over the exercises with his usual with hours will be hopeful that another ing heavy war taxes, now is the time ed over the exercises with his usual with hours will be hopeful that another ing heavy war taxes, now is the time ed over the exercises with his usual with hours will be hopeful that another ing heavy war taxes, now is the time ed over the exercises with his usual with hours will be hopeful that another ing heavy war taxes, now is the time ed over the exercises with his usual with hours will be hopeful that another ing heavy war taxes, now is the time ed over the exercises with his usual with hours will be hopeful that another ing heavy war taxes, now is the time ed over the exercises with his usual with hours will be hopeful that another ing heavy war taxes, now is the time ed over the exercises with his usual with hours will be hopeful that another ing heavy war taxes, now is the time ed over the exercises with his usual with hours will be not a supplied to the exercise with his usual with hours will be not a supplied to the exercise with his usual will be not a supplied to the exercise with his usual will be not a supplied to the exercise with his usual will be not a supplied to the exercise will be n hours will see the full record of for the stockholders and bond holders and eloquence. He has missed but two of the carriers to do their bit, and commencement occasions since his

to be taken. Today's registration Protests of the nurserymen of the aded only continental United country against the proposed increase tes. Alaska and Hawaii will record were presented by F. W. Kesley and and Col. Robert Bingham, of Asheville worthy source. eir fighting men on dates to be set Orlando Harris, officers of the Ameri-

who are besieging consulates | Clifford Tornes, counsel for the Naaround the world for registration tional Shippers' Conference, told the morning program were Dean Lucius seriously menaced. It has been learned from the raided area state that ample bills." ds, will add to the great list. The Commission that the net earnings of Polk McGhehee, '87; Hon. Walter Murthat this decision has been changed at warning of the approach of the raiders State Department was called upon for the carriers in 1917 would be less than phy, '92; H. G. Connor, Jr., Wilson, the instance of Germans and that British airmen were spokesman for the class of 1892, the the North and South would emulate the continued on Page Three). (Continued on Page Three). (Continued on Page Three).

refusal of hundreds of thousands Says Now is Time for Roads to Eight University Classes Hold Reunion Exercises

> Judge Francis D. Winston Presides-Alumni Luncheon a Most Delightful Occasion-R. D. W. Connor Elected President.

(Special Star Telegram). Chapel Hill, N. C., June 5 .- Alumni Day at the University of North Caroquaintances and take part in the reunion. The climax came with the

alumni luncheon in the afternoon

was re-opened. Major John W. Graham, of Hillsboro, class of '57, were the first to speak. They received an ovation.

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# READY RESPONSE

Many Cities Make Day a Patriotic Essex and Kent Counties Raided Holiday-Few Alleged Slackers Are Arrested

NEGROES ENROLL EAGERLY TWO MACHINES SHOT DOWN

man Agents Has Not Had the Slightest Effect

Atlanta, Ga, June 5 .- Registration under the draft law in the South today was almost wholly without untoward incident and in many cities took on the character of a patriotic holiday. A few of cities and today was that those liable to enroll- alleged slackers were arrested, but in ment made a rush for the polls in the the main men between the ages of 21 are still in progress. About 16 of the and 31 showed eagerness to enroll.

Two distinct features were the wilthe precincts. German agents have

their efforts had not the slightest effect. The day was celebrated as a "flag of the National colors in Capitol Park, after a parade and an address by Major States Army. Twenty-five thousand men marched in a loyalty parade in Memphis, and business was suspended n many cities. In virtually every city the tooting of

whistles and the ringing of church Sells called the young men at the opening of the registration precincts.

Negroes Enthusiastic.

Charlotte, N. C., June 5 .- Registration Day passed without an untoward incident being reported from Charlotte and community. Particularly noticeable was the enthusiasm of ne-Goldsboro township was 1,056, it being groes to register. National Guard recruiting parties were at all the registration booths. Bankers and insurance men devoted the day to soliciting subscriptions to the Liberty Loan.

Quiet Reigned In Asheville.

Asheville, N. C., June 5 .- Registration of male voters between the ages of 21 and 31 was conducted without any untoward incident in this city and county today.

Negroes Register Promptly. Lynchburg, Va., June 5 .- The size of crowds at the booths here today indicated that there were few, if any, evasions of registration, and the day passed off quietly. Negroes were noticeably prompt in presenting them-

selves at the places of registration.

Day Passed Quietly. Roanoke, Va., June 5 .- Registration Day passed off quietly. No disturbances in Southwest Virginia and full regis-

Estimates Surpassed. Spartanburg, S. C., June 5 .- Regisration Day passed quietly in Spartanourg county with indications that the number registered will exceed prevous estimates. The early hours of the heard from. No difficulty of any character has been reported and officials in charge of registration express themselves as greatly pleased over the results of the day.

High Enrollment in Virginia. Richmond, Va., June 5 .- War registration day passed off quietly in Virginia with a high enrollment and practically no disorder. Two arrests were reported. J. L. Bitz, of Coeburn, was arrested, according to a report reaching Governor Henry C. Stuart, for cursing the President and the administration. Israel Gerson, of Richmond, was taken into custody for registering twice. The enrollment of negroes throughout the State was heavy.

No Evasions Evident. Bristol, Va.-Tenn., June 5 .- Registration day passed without incident in both Bristols .today ... The registration was steady all day in both cities and it is not believed there were any enva-

Expectations Exceeded. Norfolk, Va., June 5.- Registration Day in Norfolk was without a marring incident The response exceeded | Die.

Stockholm, via London, June 5 .- The student to enroll when the University cerning the defense of Jerusalem, ac- brought down were rescued at sea and provincialism and for a world-wide which he is a former commander. He cording to information reaching the made prisoner. Associated Press, from a most trust-

city will be defended.

# SIXTEEN GERMAN AIRPLANES TAKE PART IN ATTACK

With Loss of Two Lives: 29 Persons Injured

Figures Show That Work of Ger- German Naval Base at Ostend, Bel-

gium Heavily Bombarded by British Squadron

planes over the counties of Essex and Kent, England, serves for the moment to distract attention from the maneuvres on the battle fronts, where for the most part artillery engagements German aircraft were engaged in the attack, during which bombs were droped in residential sections. Taking to these people since the United States driving off the invaders who lost two of their machines.

The British and Germans near Wytschaete, in Belgium, are still engaged in a violent artillery duel, which probready, according to Berlin, the British, after having hurled great quantities of steel against the German defences, advanced to see the result of the work of their guns, but were forced by the German fire to return to their positions, whereupon the rain of British shell again was resumed.

There has been no resumption on arrival is regarded as timely here bethe part of the line where the French cause of the need for American influare facing the Germans of the intense ence to offset the intrigues of German battles of Saturday and Sunday, and agents in Russia. Mr. Root will be the artillery duels there have died in a position to explain and elaborate

During Tuesday eighteen German Government's war aims as incorporatairplanes were accounted for by Brit- ed in a message recently dispatched to ish aviators on the Western battle Petrograd. The State Department will front, 12 of them having been brought make the President's statement public erans with a rousing cheer. down in air fighting. The British as soon as word has come from Amerthemselves lost five machines. Apparently the Austrians on the front

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VILLAGES ON BRITISH

#### ican Ambassador Francis that it has been presented officially at the Russian FRED HARPER HONORED BY ALUMNI OF TRINIT COAST ARE ATTACKED

Dr. J. S. Montgomery, of Washington

Preaches Commencement Sermon-

Rev. M. T. Pyler Speaks for

Class of 1892.

(Speical Star Telegram.)

Durham, N. C., June 5.-Dr. William

Cranford, dean of Trinity College

during the incumbency of President

W. P. Pew, has tendered his resigna-

tion which has been accepted by the

board of trustees. Prof. William H.

versa y of the removal of the college

day. Dr. James S. Montgomery of

ment sermon on the theme, "The Creed

whether he was an optimist or a pes-

Reports received at the Navy De

on President Wilson's outline of this

Many Bombs Are Dropped by Prof. Wannamaker Succeeds Dr. German Airplane Squadron Cranford as Dean of College

So Far as Late Reports Show Only Two Persons Were Killed and Twenty-Nine Injured-Two Ma chines Felled.

London, June 5 .- Sixteen German airthe small towns and villages in Essex day were the busiest, all precincts and Kent. Only 14 of them returned to their home base, for two were brought down by British guns.

of French, has been named his suc-So far as late reports show, only two cessor. Professor Wannamaker is a The raiders graduate of Wofford College and athe bombarded distric .... met with a lively receiption, extra pre-Fred Harper, of Lynchburg, Va., was cautions having been ta. 'n by the very serious raid on the south ast coast alumni association to succeed B. S. British authorities after 1 : recent Womble, of Winston-Salem. Other of England, in which 250 perse ; were alumni officers are M. E. Newsom, Jr., killed or wounded. The German, were vice-president; H. E. Spence, of Durattacked by British aviators bare ham, secretary-treasurer, and Prof. they had an opportunity to carry est E. C. Brools, chairman of the executheir raiding intentions to any grea, tive committee. extent and the British anti-aircraft, guns were very effective. and the celebration of the 25th anni-

The official statement says: "An airplane raid this evening was to Durham marked the exercises of tocarried out by a squadron of about 16 airplanes. They crossed the Essex Calvary Methodist church, of Washcoast at about 6:15 and dropped some ington City, preached the commencebombs in the country and on small towns in Essex, and then proceeded to of Jesus." He declared that a man's red blood flows in our veins, we will attack the naval establishment in Medway. A considerable number of bombs were dropped and a certain amount of damage was done to house property, but the damage done naval and military a Schopenhauer, whose diseased mind we who wore the gray now stand side establishments was practically negligi- frowned down the best and noblest of by side with you who wore the blue

made off seaward. "The casualties so far reported are

and 27 wounded According to a local report the pilot from Randolph county to Durham. He comed the Confederates in the name of the carriers to do then the comed the Confederates in the name not throw an added burden on the con- graduation in '79 and was the first Turks have changed their mind con- and observer of one of the air raiders pleaded for the breaking away from of the Grand Army of the Republic, of the defense of January to comed the Confederates in the name pleaded for the breaking away from of the Grand Army of the Republic, of the Confederates in the name pleaded for the breaking away from of the Grand Army of the Republic, of the confederates in the name pleaded for the breaking away from of the Grand Army of the Republic, of the confederates in the name pleaded for the breaking away from of the Grand Army of the Republic, of the confederates in the name pleaded for the breaking away from of the Grand Army of the Republic, of the confederates in the name pleaded for the breaking away from of the Grand Army of the Republic, of the confederate in the name pleaded for the breaking away from of the Grand Army of the Republic, of the confederate in the name pleaded for the breaking away from the confederate in the name pleaded for the breaking away from the Grand Army of the Republic, of the confederate in the name pleaded for the breaking away from the confederate in the name pleaded for the breaking away from the confederate in the name pleaded for the breaking away from the confederate in the name pleaded for the breaking away from the confederate in the name pleaded for the breaking away from the confederate in the name pleaded for the breaking away from the confederate in the name pleaded for the breaking away from the confederate in the name pleaded for the breaking away from the confederate in the name pleaded for the breaking away from the confederate in the name pleaded for the co

> Warning sirens were sounded at some places prior to the raid and most of the United States as abject cowardice, the references to the mutual respect and Less than a fortnight ago the Turks people took to shelter. The small num- spirit that says, "I believe in ade- esteem existing today between the forhad decided to evacuate Jerusalem, ber of casualties is attributed to this Among those who took part in the without battle, providing the city was precaution. Persons arriving in London want the other section to foot the Colonel Robert E. Lee, grandson of

### PRESIDENT WELCOMES THE HEROES OF DIXIE TO NATION'S CAPITAL

ROOT SAFE IN RUSSIA

Striking Declarations in His Speech Greeted With Rousing Cheers by Veterans

GREAT OVATION

Reunion Gets in Full Swing With Thousands Upon Thousands of Visitors Attending

SEVERAL NOTED SPEAKERS

Corporal Tanner Welcomes Veterans in Behalf of G. A. R.

Washington, June 5.-Veterans and visitors in Washington by the thousands for the 27th annual reunion of the United Confederate Veterans joined today in giving President Wilson a great ovation when he welcomed the soldiers of Dixie to the nation's capital and told them that the country was beginning to understand that one of the purposes of Providence in keeping the nation united was for the opportunity now before America to fight for liberty and manmission headed by Elihu Root. Their kind.

United Country Re-Dedicated. His declaration that the day was one

of gladness because of the sacred memories, and of a re-dedication of a united country to those principles that have made America great among the nations of the earth, was greeted by the Vet-

The great hall in which the President spoke was filled with thousands and twice that many more had to be turned away because of the lack of room. While waiting for the President the Veterans and visitors cheered the various leaders as they came on

The Marine Band kept the old solliers in a joyous humor by playing the beloved airs of the South ,and each time they swung into "Dixie," the "Rebel yell" would go ringing through the hall. The Confederate choir from Portsmouth, Va., dressed in gray Confederate jackets, sang "If you Want To Have a Good Time Join the Cavalry," "Maryland, My Maryland," and other tunes to which the young men of the South marched to battle in the sixties.

Nearly 7,000 Veterans Present. The number of Veterans here is estimated at nearly 7,000 and the tents provided for them in the Union Station plaza could not accommodate all of the late-comers and nearby buildings one of the largest gathered in Washington in some time. Many of the leaders declare this the largest retors, ever held.

Wannamaker, head of the department The presentation of a United States flag to General Harrison at the initial meeting of the Confederate Vetthe G. A. R., was the signal of a patriotic demonstration led by the Vetthis afternoon elected president of the erans and in which the women and visitors who packed the hall to the doors heartly joined. The Stars and Stripes were hung side by side with the Stars and Bars behind the presiding officer and will remain there throughout the re-union.

Telling of his four years at the The semon to the graduating class Georgia Military Academy, where he learned to love the Stars and Stripes, General Harrison said:

honor through the war and furled with creed or philosophy of life determined cherish its heroic and tender memorles. Now that the war of sections has simist. It might produce a tranquil ended and our country is again united. emersion or the jaundiced outlook of my love for Old Glory has returned and our kind. He described the active side in fighting for liberty "The raiding airplanes were engaged of the life of Jesus as being marked rights whenever and wherever our

Welcomed by G. A. R. livered by Dr. John Franklin Crowell, Corporal James Tanner, who served president of Trinity College twenty- in the Union army as a member of a WILL XEFEND JERUSALEM two killed, two dangerously wounded five years ago, and who was instru- New York regiment, and was wounded mental in the removal of the college at the battle of Second Manassas, welunity. He characterized the section- was received by the Veterans who al spirit that obtained in parts of the stood and gave three cheers, and his quate national preparedness but I mer foes brought applause.

> the South's chieftain, declared in his Rev. M. T. Plyer, of Wilmington, was address that the sons of the men of