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The Submarine Net.

Asheville Citizen.
For every beast or bird that preys is some other creature of which it is afraid; every weapon evolved by war is eventually matched by some other weapon. The submarine, the demon of the seas, that came from the unseen and slipped back into the unseen, after speeding its swift torpedo, had for a time no enemy to dread. Its prey was great battleships and merchantmen too clumsy to pursue it, itself showing as a mark for big guns only a slender periscope flashing through the water. It spread its terror far at sea and in its reckless destruction caused war clouds to gather in the further west. But its enemy came at last. The allies' ships plough the narrow seas in comparative safety; a million British soldiers have been transported to France without loss of life. A simple device it is that brings safety. There are nets in the North Sea and English channel, not nets for fish, but nets for the greater fish the Germans send on their deadly errands. They are nets of steel with wide meshes, supported by large wooden floats, and dragged by patrol boats while nearby are others of these small boats with quick-firers.

One might think that this method would be impracticable, that the submersibles would detect the floats and shifts position to avoid them, but experience has shown otherwise. The submarine cannot detect the floats through its periscope at any great distance, and if it attempts to operate on the surface it meets the fire of the small boats, themselves too small marks, too petty prey for the costly torpedoes. If the submarine dives and moves to rise elsewhere it can scarcely avoid the fire from the launches scattered over the sea. And if it journeys under water it will eventually encounter a net. And then its journey is over, for with the heavy drag of a net it cannot pursue a definite course, aside from the danger of being capsized, and when it rises to the surface to cut away the meshes it becomes a clear mark—and one shot landed is all that is needed to finish the under-water boat.

Necessity furthers inventions and bright minds have countered each other in the present war. The German submarine threatened frightfulness to the allies; now it must itself dread the unseen that floats in the waves, a deadly, passive thing that drifts and waits with meshes spread. Speeding under water the submarine feels the strike and drag of the net as does the fish that is struck, and its crew know the terror of the unseen which they themselves inspire. Sometimes the boat is overturned by the strike, or if not, it must rise and face visible but hardly less certain destruction.

Mrs. Marr, wife of Rev. T. F. Marr, pastor of Trinity Methodist church at Charlotte, died on the 2nd of heart disease.

STATEMENT

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this, the 4th day of October, 1915.

Two More States Ready to Plunge into the Great War.

Monroe Journal.
Eyes of all the world are now turning towards the little states grouping around the Mediterranean Sea known as the Balkans. The next great war move is expected to take place there. These are the states that a few years ago combined, threw off the Turkish yoke and rushed Turkey out of Europe with the sole exception of her possessions around Constantinople. They then fell out among themselves and fought bitterly over a division of the territory. These States are Roumania, which lies next to Russia on the Black Sea, and Bulgaria, just south of Roumania, Serbia, to the east of Bulgaria, Greece to the south of Serbia, and Montenegro. From the time when Turkey was urged into the war by Germany, the great question has been which side of the two warring groups would be able to secure the help of the Balkan States. If Germany and Austria could do it, then the way for co-operation and help for Turkey and Germany would be open on land and the English navy would be circumvented. It is generally believed that Germany intended finally to rush over the Balkans whether or not, as she did Belgium. The fear of this and the hatred of Bulgaria for Greece and Serbia brought Bulgaria to the point where she was believed to be ready to join Germany and Austria, and she is mobilizing her army which consists of three hundred and fifty thousand seasoned troops. She protests, however, that she means to be neutral. But German officers are said to be in charge of her armies. Russia has demanded that she immediately dismiss all these, and has drawn up a fleet in the Black Sea ready to enforce her demands if Bulgaria remains hostile.

When it becomes clear that Bulgaria was on the eve of entering the war on the side of Germany in the hope of securing territory at the expense of Serbia and Greece, the latter country began to get ready to join the English and French. The latter are landing troops to help Greece.

The French and English continue the offensive against the Germans without any further marked gains, and the Russians are said to be getting in better shape all the time. With Germany blocked by the French and English, and having failed to destroy the Russian armies, the next move of the Kaiser is watch with great interest. It is reported that it will be a rush on Serbia to break through the Balkans to help the Turks. Many observers believe that the wearing down process has at last begun.

When Baby Has the Croup

When a mother is awakened from sound sleep to find her child who has gone to bed apparently in the best of health struggling for breath, she is naturally alarmed. Yet if she can keep her presence of mind and give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy every ten minutes until vomiting is produced, quick relief will follow and the child will drop to sleep to awaken in the morning as well as ever. This remedy has been in use for many years with uniform success. Obtainable everywhere.

Generally the man who is always making suggestions dare not practice what he preaches.

There is no such thing as sliding up hill. In morals, the only sliders are backsliders.—Thureau.

SOLEY KIDNEY PILLS

Cove Creek Ripples.

(Too late for last issue.)

Professor W. Y. Perry and Miss Annie Sherwood are teaching a fine school at Cove Creek.

Mr. Jim Sherwood and his attractive sister, Miss Grace, who have been visiting at Bristol have returned.

Mrs. Fountain is the guest of Misses Edna and Pearl Bingham.

A large crowd of old people attended the birthday dinner at Mr. Newton Banner's on last Sunday. It was Mr. Banner's seventy-first birthday.

Miss Jane Bingham and Miss Mary Swift are spending the week at Mountain City, Tenn.

There was a family reunion at Mr. Holden Davis's last week. A large crowd was in attendance and all report a fine time.

Miss Lunday Bingham has as her company Mrs. Roberts, of Asheville, N. C.

Mr. Oran Harman, of Sugar Grove, has been making business calls at Mr. George Bingham's. He says lillies are some sweet.

Mr. Scott Swift, who has been going to school at Boone, spent last Sunday night with home folks. Scott is a fine old boy.

Mrs. S. H. Shaffer is nursing a case of typhoid at Valle Crucis—Mr. Able Harman's daughter.

The girls and boys of Cove Creek school are preparing their speeches for the contest which will be held in Boone on Nov. 6. There will be a contest at Cove Creek the day before the one in Boone, and judges will be there to decide on the two who shall go. The ones preparing are as follows: Misses Cretie Adams, Earl Williams, Hazel Bingham, Irene Sherwood and Thelma Perry. Messrs. John Perry, Lawrence Henson, James Horton and Samuel Johnson.

Miss Maude Mast will leave here next Friday for Lincoln county, where she will teach this winter.

There will be a picnic on the "Tater Hill" on Saturday, October, the 16. Everybody invited to come, bring a basket of dinner and enjoy the occasion.

LITTLE MISCHIEF.

Government Land Purchase.

Lenoir Topic.

Some time ago the government purchased from the Caldwell Land and Lumber Company a tract of land lying on Wilson's creek and John's river, in Caldwell and Avery counties, the tract containing about 36,000 acres, the average price paid being about \$1.00 an acre.

The tract will form a nucleus of a national forest known as the Boone National Forest, which eventually will extend from the Yaddin divide to the North Fork of the Catawba on the east side of the Blue Ridge, extending down the lower foothills.

It is the purpose of the government to buy any forest lands within the boundary, if the owners care to sell and satisfactory terms can be agreed upon. For the present, however, purchases will be confined to tracts adjoining or lying near the Caldwell Land and Lumber Co. tract.

Mr. E. M. Bruner, the local representative of the forest service, has the oversight of three survey crews who are now engaged in the survey of these lands and organizing a fire patrol system for the prevention and control of forest fires.

For Indigestion

Never take pepsin and preparations containing pepsin or other digestive ferments for indigestion, as the more you take the more you will have to take. What is needed is a tonic like Chamberlain's Tablets that will enable the stomach to perform its functions naturally. Obtainable every-

Professing Conversion—Should be Put on Probation.

The papers are telling it that Sidna Allen, who—thanks to a merciful jury—is serving a term of 35 years in the State prison at Richmond, Va., for his part in the murder of the judge and court officers at Hillsville, Va., has professed religion and joined the Church. The Lord is always ready and willing to forgive. Thy sins be as scarlet they may be made as white as wool; and The Landmark devoutly hopes that Sidna has found that peace which passeth all understanding.

But it is just as well to keep an eye on Sidna. Sometimes bad men profess conversion for a reason. Bud Lippard, of Catawba county, noted blockader, professed conversion and now they have convicted him of selling liquor while posing as an exhorter at Ball Creek campmeeting. It may have been only a temporary slip with Bud and here's hoping he will come again.

But as to Sidna Allen—he should be received on probation, under "watch care," so to speak, and if he has the root of the matter he won't object to being made to show his faith by his works. If he is genuinely converted he will admit the punishment he is receiving is just and will not offer his professed conversion as argument for a pardon in a few years—Statesville Landmark.

It is a wise father who takes his son into a co-partnership in the business of farming—for farming is a business these days. It is wise to have a boy grow up with a sense of proprietorship in his heart and to occupy a part of his time with the important affairs of life. He will not only be a better boy but a better man, because of that training. To create within a boy or girl an abiding interest in some useful occupation and to put a real value upon their own toil is one of the most stable lessons to be imparted by a parent.—Bloomington Journal.

A Clogged System Needs Attention.

Are you bilious, dizzy and listless? Dr. King's New Life Pills taken at once seizes upon constipation and starts the bowels moving naturally and easily. Moreover it acts without griping. Neglect of a clogged system often leads to most serious complications. Poisonous matters and a body poorly functioning need immediate attention. If you wish to wake up tomorrow morning happy in mind and entirely satisfied, start your treatment tonight. 25c a bottle.

Be what you wish others to become. Let your life, not your words, be a sermon.

Lenoir News: Sheriff Triplett is not only holding his own in rounding up regular duties, but he is some still catcher, too. Sate Saturday evening he found and destroyed one near Granite Falls in Lovelady township. This still had not been in operation in several days, but a lot of beer was found and destroyed. The Sheriff made a second raid today. This time it was up in the Green Mountain section. He brought a still of about 50 gallons capacity.

Coughs That Are Stopped!

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President Wilson to Wed.

The News and Observer, always having the tact of saying the right thing at the right time, has this editorial upon the approaching marriage of President Wilson:

Dan Cupid cares nothing for war or affairs of State. His business is looking after hearts, and he is correct in his belief that "all the world loves a lover." Thus it has been from the beginning. Thus it will continue to the end. Thus it is today.

It will be with a sense of pleased surprise that there will be read throughout the world the news that President Woodrow Wilson is engaged to be married, the wedding to take place probably in December, when Mrs. Norman R. Galt, of Washington, will become Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, the First Lady of the Land.

The country—all the people—will wish for Woodrow Wilson, the man, the greatest happiness in his marriage. In the two and a half years he has been in the White House he has born heavy burdens of State and of personal grief. If there is any man in the United States to whom happiness should come it is Woodrow Wilson, and in the creation of new home ties, a new family circle, there will be the earnest wish on all sides that there may come to him unalloyed joy, happiness of the very greatest.

Waiting for Fifteen Cents.

Yorkville (S. C.) Enquirer.
"No, I have not sold my cotton and I do not expect to until the price reaches 15 cents and then I am not sure that I will sell it at that figure." Such was the reply of Mr. Louis Roth, of Yorkville, to the query of the reporter as to whether or not he had sold the cotton which he had bought last fall when the staple was not bringing more than six and one-half cents. During the fall Mr. Roth bought 249 bales, paying ten cents for three-fourths of it while the rest was bought at 8 and 9 cents. The cotton has been in local warehouses a year. Discussing the outlook for high price cotton Mr. Roth said he expected the market to reach 15 cents before spring and very probably before Jan. 1. He said that in his opinion there was nothing to prevent cotton from reaching that figure. Mr. Roth does not think this year's crop will total more than 10,500,000 bales.

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

Under and by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by that certain deed of trust executed on the 21st day of August, 1913 by A. H. Washburn and M. L. Washburn, his wife, which is duly recorded in Book "8" of mortgages, at page 180, in the office of the Register of Deeds for Watauga county, to which reference is hereby made, and because of default having been made in the indebtedness therein secured, and demand having been made on me by the owner and holder of the bond representing said indebtedness to execute the power of sale contained in said deed of trust, I, the undersigned trustee, will sell at public auction, for cash, to the highest bidder, at the court house door, in the town of Boone, county of Watauga, North Carolina, at 12 o'clock noon on Monday, the 1st day of November 1915, the following described lot or parcel of land which is situated in the town of Blowing Rock, Watauga county, North Carolina: Beginning on a small locust tree on the North Side of Boone road or street, and runs east with said road 14 poles to a stone Z. B. Buchanan's now J. B. Clark's corner; thence north 20 poles to a stone or spruce pine in the Lena Green line; thence west with said line 14 poles to a stone, J. B. Clark's line, thence south with said Clarke's line 20 poles to the beginning, containing one and three fourths acres, more or less, together with the right to use water on the adjoining lot. Being the same lot or parcel of land conveyed to the said A. H. Washburn and M. L. Washburn by L. D. Lowe and wife, H. H. Lowe, by deed dated August 14th, 1903, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Watauga county, North Carolina in book one of deeds page 330 and 331. This 30th day of September, 1915.

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