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AMERICAN TALK

Do the good women of Salisbury realize what a great opportunity they are missing to serve their country and the soldiers of America? Do they realize what the working women of the Red Cross work rooms are doing for soldiers, for country, and for God?

Day after day, week after week a little band of faithful workers have spent long hours in these work rooms. They have had large work laid out before them, and after appeal after appeal to the women of the community to help, the few that could be gathered together have worked long hours and thus far met the demands and executed the work.

In the meanwhile the city is full of good women who have the time to help do this work. There are many, very many who could and who should, who never do a thing. There are a good many who cannot. They simply cannot, for the best of reasons, but there are so very many who can and who should. Today the work rooms are full of material. The task is greater than ever before, many, many hundreds of pieces of work are laid out for the Salisbury workers. The little band of faithfuls will be there day after day and for long hours to do their part. They sacrifice, they lay aside their own duties and do these things for the sake of the American men, the American nation and a just demand from a just God.

What are the other good women of the city going to do? What about this large number who have the time and the skill to do this great and ever-preserving work? Will they help or continue to hold off? Will they help to bind up the wounds of the fighting men? Will they help to stop the flow of blood and relieve the distress of the battlefields? How in God's name could any one refuse? If all the good women of this community would do a little—just a little—the work would soon be done, no one would be hurt, no one would make much sacrifice. But if the few have to struggle on and on with the work they will suffer and endure real hardship and sacrifice.

A French officer was visiting a city close by the camp to which he was assigned for military instructions in America. He has asked why he did not dance while the other young folks were dancing. His reply was, "I never dance while my country bleeds." Is America going to dance and frivolity away time while America bleeds? The casualty list grows daily. Americans are returning from the battle field on stretchers. Loud calls are going up for aid, for nurses and for doctors, for money to save men and lives. Many are facing the great issue and many have crossed the river into the great beyond. In the mean while thousands of their fellow men and women dance and joy ride, shout and sing in all indifference and without regard or care.

Men must be bright and hopeful and optimistic. We want no glooms and grouches, but we do want a nation of serious people doing a serious job in a serious fashion. We want a people ready and willing to serve, to give and to sacrifice. We want men and women who are big and loyal and full of the spirit of big Americans who can and who will do large and generous things the country demands. It is alright to be bright and happy and hopeful. It is all wrong to be dependent, and gloomy and grouchy. But it is absolutely necessary that we accept the burdens of the day and hour in all seriousness and undertake to do the whole thing properly and quickly. To do this it is necessary that we lay aside selfish pleasures that hinder.

While American soldiers die on the battlefield the American people would do much better employed on their knees than on their toes. It is better to couple our just fighting with our prayers than to couple the fighting and dying with foolish and useless prancings and dancing.

We love the sparkle of youth. We love the smile and the ever hopeful optimism of the young, and in ordinary time this youthful spirit may be indulged to the fullest extent of harmless pleasures and joys, but to day, today, while the American soldiers are rushing half trained to the front to help save the world—today, is no time for useless things that take our life and energies and return nothing helpful in the place. It is high time for us to realize what we are up against, what is required of us and to meet these issues like big, brave Americans.

It is time for all this American Talk to be coined into American acts and deeds and prayers.

GERMANS REPULSED ON NORTHERN FRONT

French and British Forces Are Holding the Invaders and Inflicting Losses

ANGLO-FRENCH WON COMPLETE VICTORY

Withstood Tremendous Assaults of the Germans and Prevent a Break Into Hill Positions.

ENEMY ESTIMATED TO HAVE THROWN IN 13 DIVISIONS

The French on Crucial Part of the Line at Loere Cling to all the Dominating Ground.

(By Associated Press.)

Today's reports from the battle-fronts only serve to emphasize the victory won by the Anglo-French forces yesterday in withstanding the tremendous assaults by which the Germans hope to break into the allied hill positions southwest of Ypres and begin cutting their way toward the channel ports.

The situation seems to be one of the entente high command deciding once more to make a stand after having forced the Germans to use tens of thousands of men in fighting their way desperately forward as far as they have. The decision made the stand taken and the Germans stopped, as they have been previously on other fields since the great offensive opened March 21st.

The enemy is estimated to have thrown out as many as 13 divisions, in all about 175,000 men in the attack on a 12 mile front, but despite continued furious assaults has been held almost on his tracks everywhere. At a few points there were slight enemy penetrations but the line was largely rectified late yesterday.

During last night the French in dashing counter blows drove the Germans from the remainder of the small stretches of ground they had gained in the initial drive of the day.

A most welcome feature of the current news from the front is the announcement that the French on the crucial part of the line at Loere have not lost any part of their hold on the dominating ground. They now have undisturbed possession of Loere itself for the first time in several days and apparently held off all enemy efforts to edge in around that place and force its abandonment.

The importance of Loere lies in the fact that it guards the approach to Mount Rouge, one of the most valuable hills of the defensive line which cannot be taken in flank as long as Loere remains in allied hands.

Similarly allied troops stopped a drive toward Scherpenberg by holding at La Clytte while Belgians dealt with them successfully and prevented any breach in the line toward the sea.

All evidences point to the probability that the Germans suffered well-nigh the heaviest casualties of any day of the fighting on the northern front, as wave after wave of the attacking forces were mowed down by artillery and infantry fire. They were so exhausted by their fruitless effort that they remained practically inactive all night, while no reports come today indicating any resumption of major activities on their part.

South of the Somme front the British carried out local operations last night, further improving their position before Amiens by advancing the line east of Villers-Bretonneux.

Entente Allied Line Advanced. British Headquarters in France via Ottawa, April 30.—The entente allied line has been advanced between La-Cayette and Kemmel.

The Franco-British forces also have made some progress south of that region.

The artillery was increasingly busy this morning from Vimy northward.

Thus far the German capture of Kemmel hill has done little good for the entente allied artillery has kept the hill so smothered with shell fire it has been impossible for the enemy to occupy it in force.

WHITE GUARDS KILL MANY RED GUARDS

Part of the Finnish Government Forces Capture the Town of Viborg, 75 Miles of Petrograd.

NEARLY ENTIRE FORCE OF 6,000 ARE KILLED

The Rebels Made a Last Desperate Attempt to Break Through in Direction of Frederiksham.

(By Associated Press.)

London, April 30.—White Guards of the Finnish government forces have captured Viborg, 75 miles northwest of Petrograd, after killing nearly the entire force of Red Guards, according to an official announcement issued at Vasar and transmitted from Copenhagen by the Exchange Telegraph company.

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WILMINGTON DISPATCH SOLD.

Company Headed by Parker R. Anderson of Washington, Takes Over Afternoon Paper of Seaport City.

(By Associated Press.)

Wilmington, April 30.—The Wilmington Dispatch this morning announced a change in ownership, effective with today's issue, the majority of stock having been bought by Parker R. Anderson, Sidney Bieber, and Frank P. Morse, of Washington, from Thos. E. Cooper, James O. Reilly and Thos. Davis, of Wilmington.

The following officers were elected: Parker R. Anderson, president and manager; Sidney Bieber, secretary and treasurer; F. P. Morse, vice president.

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Methodist Board in Session.

Atlanta, Ga., April 30.—The board of church extension, one of the principal agencies of the Southern Methodist church, met here today to put the final touches to its report.

enemies made in the course of the day. They came forward in waves throughout the long hours.

French Hold Loere Village. London, April 30.—The French hold the entire village of Loere, west of Kemmel, says an official statement from the war office.

During the night the British advanced their line east of Villers-Bretonneux on the front before Amiens.

In the vicinity of Loere the French by counter attacks yesterday afternoon advanced drove the Germans from the remainder of the ground they had gained in the morning.

The Germans having been heavily repulsed all along the battlefield the night passed in comparative quiet.

Long Range Gun Again Bombs. Paris, April 30.—The long range bombardment of the region of Paris was resumed this morning.

Heavy Fighting Near Avre. Paris, April 30.—Heavy artillery fighting occurred last night north and south of the Avre in the sector of Noyon and along the Oise, the war office announced today.

Long List of Dead All That Attacks Net the Huns. With the British Army in France, April 29.—By the Associated Press.

—This has been one of the bitterest days of fighting that the Flanders battleground has seen since the present offensive began. Since early morning von Arnim has been flinging great numbers of German troops against the allied lines between Zillebeke lake and Bailleul, with the hills east of Mont Kemmel as his ultimate objective. At the same time a secondary thrust has been made at the Belgians in the region of the Yser, north of Ypres.

When the correspondent left the battlefield shortly after 1 o'clock in the afternoon, the German commander had nothing to show for his pretentious drive but a long list of dead and wounded.

58 NAMES ON THE CASUALTY LIST

Two Killed in Action, Two Died of Wounds and Six Succumbed to Disease in Addition to Hurt.

ONE CAPTAIN MEETS DEATH WHILE ENGAGED IN BATTLE

Lieut. John W. Morris, Previously Reported Seriously Wounded, is Prisoner and Unwounded.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, April 30.—The casualty list today contains 58 names, divided as follows:

Killed in action, 2; died of accident, 2; died of disease, 6; wounded severely, 5; wounded slightly, 42; missing in action, 1.

Captain Richard Laurence Jett is reported killed in action, Captain Charles A. Chambers died of pneumonia, and Lieutenants Robert D. Coye, Rufus Craun and Francis Worthington Hine were slightly wounded.

In issuing the list the department announces that Thomas J. Mooney, who was previously reported as having died of accident, was due to error in cabling. Lieut. John W. Morris, previously reported wounded severely, is reported a prisoner and unwounded.

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CROWDER MAKES A REQUEST AS TO THE DRAFT BILL

Asks Congress to Eliminate from Bill the Amendment Putting Youths Becoming 21 Years of Age at Bottom of Eligibles.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, April 30.—Provost Marshal General Crowder today requested congress to eliminate from the bill extending the draft to youths now 21 years of age the amendment putting at the bottom of the eligible list those who would register under this measure and asks that the bill basing quotas on the number of men in class 1 be amended so as to make its operation retroactive.

General Crowder made the request in letters to the chairman of the Senate and House Military Committees.

Ed M. Sweetman, "The Rider of the Black Horse," Sterling Studemire, "Appomattox," Orvin Barnett, "If He Lives Till Sundown He Will Get Well," Gladys Holt, "Jean, the Coaster," Mary Long, "The Confessional," Gideon Feserman, "My Country, My Mother, My God," Edna Cheek, "Over the Hill to the Poorhouse," Glenn Pennington, "Spartans to the Gladiators," Anthony Ridenhour, "The Value of a Purpose."

Tuesday, May 7, at 8 p. m., a play, "Claim Allowed," a strong patriotic production based on the events of the present war, will be given by the graduating class.

Wednesday night, the commencement exercises will take place. This will include the annual literary address and the class day exercises by the seventeen graduates.

There are 607 enrolled in the school this year, the largest number in the history of the town, and the final examinations will end Friday of this week. Promotion cards will be presented on Tuesday.

The scholarship medals, one for the student making the highest average for the year, in the eighth grade, an-

PULLING FOR THE THREE MILLION DOLLAR MARK

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, April 30.—Intensive canvassing in the final week of the Liberty Loan campaign was reflected in the treasury report of \$2,408,442,400 total subscriptions, an increase since last night of \$120,140,550. This increase covers only a part of yesterday's business.

The Atlanta district, which has stood the lowest in the percentage column, showed quite a sudden increase of about \$20,000,000.

BOND SALES IS PAST HUNDRED THOUSAND

Spencer Passes the Hundred and Ten Thousand Mark and is Still Running Strong.

PROGRAM OF CLOSING OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

An Event of Much General Interest Will Be the Closing of the Schools.

(By A. W. Hicks.)

Spencer, April 30.—The figures are still climbing and Spencer employees of the Southern are still taking Liberty Bonds. When the work whistle blew at the close of Monday's business the total sales aggregated \$110,150. These figures have been increased today by sales to new employes and to others returning from "off duty." Enthusiasm runs high and the employes are determined that every man who draws a check from the Southern shall be a bondholder. The sales by departments up to Monday night were as follows:

Car Department	\$22,900.00
Blacksmith Shop	5,050.00
Machine Shop	10,600.00
Roundhouse (Shop)	11,350.00
Roundhouse (Road)	7,600.00
Boiler Shop	12,100.00
Pipe Shop	3,850.00
Paint Shop	1,550.00
Mechanical Shop	5,800.00
Electrical Shop	1,150.00
Electricians	2,400.00
Storehouse Clerks	2,450.00
Spencer Yard Office	5,000.00
Spencer Transfer	2,200.00
Salisbury Agents	400.00
Storehouse Employees	1,800.00
Spencer Depot	450.00
Greensboro	2,200.00
Altavista, Va.	50.00
Charlotte	2,850.00
Gastonia	100.00
Greenville, S. C.	3,200.00
Danville, Va.	2,500.00
Asheboro	100.00
Brevard	150.00
Winston-Salem	1,850.00
Total	\$110,150.00

The schedule for the closing exercises of the Spencer High School has just been made out and include a number of interesting events.

On Friday night, May 3rd, there will be a debate on compulsory arbitration of industrial disputes by six speakers. The affirmative will be represented by Miss Ruby Hamilton, Miss Kathleen Armstrong and Mr. Gideon Feserman, while the negative will be supported by Garland Benton, Porter Holt and Edwin Knesbury.

On Sunday, May 5th, at 8 p. m., the baccalaureate sermon will be preached by Rev. W. A. Lambeth, of Salisbury. On Monday night the gold medal declamation and recitation contest will be given. The contestants will include the following with their subjects:

Isabell Perry, "The Soldier's Last Prayer," Inez Eagle, "The Highwayman," Ed M. Sweetman, "The Rider of the Black Horse," Sterling Studemire, "Appomattox," Orvin Barnett, "If He Lives Till Sundown He Will Get Well," Gladys Holt, "Jean, the Coaster," Mary Long, "The Confessional," Gideon Feserman, "My Country, My Mother, My God," Edna Cheek, "Over the Hill to the Poorhouse," Glenn Pennington, "Spartans to the Gladiators," Anthony Ridenhour, "The Value of a Purpose."

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COPPER MAN TO SPEED UP AIR-CRAFT PRODUCTION



JOHN D. RYAN

John D. Ryan of Montans and New York, president of the Anaconda Copper Mining Company, who in the past few years has built up a reputation for handling big things in a big way, has been named chairman of the Aircraft board, in order that he may speed up the production of airplanes for the United States army. He is expected to assume complete charge and compel airplane manufacturers to work at full capacity.

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Uruguayan Minister Dead. (By Associated Press.)

Washington, April 30.—Dr. Carlos de Pena, minister from Uruguay to the United States died in a hospital here today.

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To help meet the wartime demand for trained women chemists, an emergency course in agricultural chemistry will be given at Pennsylvania state college this summer.

other for the ninth grade, a third for the tenth, and a fourth for the eleventh grade, will be presented Wednesday night. Other medals include one for the best debater, one for the best declaimer, one for the best reciter, and one medal to the student for the greatest improvement in penmanship, including the fourth to seventh grades, will also be presented Wednesday night.

The marshals elected today include Glenn Pennington, chief, Temple Gabriel, Sterling Studemire, Anna Gary, Irene Swicegood, Emma Weant and Edna Cheek.

A new form of petty thievery occurred at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Quinn Monday when in broad daylight an intruder visited the garden and gathered all the vegetables, lettuce, radishes, mustard, and everything else in sight and made away with it. Mrs. Quinn was about her household duties and did not see the thief at the time but it is understood she has a good clue to who took the things.

A party of seven including two young ladies and several gentlemen from Raleigh had a narrow escape from serious injury and perhaps going off the Piedmont toll bridge Sunday afternoon when a seven passenger machine crashed into the side of the bridge. It was when the driver stopped to pay his toll that the brakes failed to hold and the big machine shot back down the grade and smashed into the side of the bridge. The ladies were badly frightened but none were hurt.

Mr. Sam Dorsett who was a member of a party of fourteen who went to Cincinnati to bring as many automobiles through the country, has returned after having spent a day or so in a hospital at Columbus. When driven through that place his machine skidded on slick streets and crashed into a pole. Mr. Dorsett was slightly hurt but is all right again. He is at his place of business at the market.

RUMORS OF PEACE MOVE BY AUSTRIA

Reports Reach Stockholm That Emperor Charles is Appealing to Italy to Consider Interests.

REPORTS THAT A "PEACE OFFENSIVE" WOULD START

No Previous Indication, However, That a New Move in This Nature Was Being Made Now.

(By Associated Press.)

Stockholm, April 30.—The Catholic International Press Agency, announces a dispatch from Basel, says that Emperor Charles of Austria is making a fresh peace offer, appealing to Italy to consider it in her own interest.

Although it has been predicted frequently that if the present German campaign fails a "peace offensive" would be inaugurated by the Central Powers there has been no previous intimation that a new move in this nature was being made.

Unless confirmatory advices are received through the usual channel of news from Switzerland this dispatch will be accepted with reserve. Ordinarily news originating in Switzerland is forwarded to this country by way of Paris.

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THREE AMERICANS ARE VICTIMS OF SUBMARINE

Met Death March 21st in a Fight With a German Submarine, Which Was Finally Beaten Off.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, April 30.—Three members of the crew of the American steamer, China, were killed, the navy department announced today, in the ship's fight with a submarine on March 21st. Previous reports said several had been injured but made no mention of any having been killed.

The China beat off the submarine after firing about 30 shots. One shot from the submarine got the China aft, killing Seaman A. F. Edwards, of Augusta, and two others not named.

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ALLEGED CONSPIRACY CASE ENDS IN FEDERAL COURT

Defendants Charged With Conspiracy Are Given Verdict of "Not Guilty"—Six Plead Guilty to a Misdemeanor and Minor Fines Are Imposed.

The case in Federal court against the officers, directors and stockholders of the Bristol Chemical Company and the Southern Root & Herb Company, which was called Monday afternoon and in which the defendants were charged with conspiracy in violating the Federal pure food laws in that they shipped in inter-state shipment adulterated birch oil, and which gave premises of consuming several days and being hard fought, came to an end before the adjournment for noon today.

A verdict was returned this morning on motion of the district attorney of not guilty as to all defendants on his charge of conspiracy. This was in accordance with an agreement entered into by counsel for the United States and the defendants, whereby six of the defendants agreed to enter a plea of guilty of a misdemeanor in adulterating birch oil, for which there is a minor punishment. These six defendants, in accordance with the agreement, paid \$2,000 in settlement of their cases, out of which the costs are to be paid.

This ended the present term of the Federal court here, being the last case set for a hearing at this term.

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More than 50,000,000 articles are handled each week by the central branch of the British Ministry of Munitions.