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BIG PARADE AND PATRIOTIC RALLY TONIGHT

FOCH NOW COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF ALLIED ARMIES ON WEST

OVER THE TOP FOR SALISBURY

Tonight Must Put This City Along With the Rest of the Rowan Towns Over Margin.

PARADE AND SPEAKING TO FEATURE EVENING EVENTS

Mothers Are Asked to Take Part in the Parade This Evening and Sit on Platform.

Tonight we must go over the top in Salisbury. This evening we must put our own town over with the rest of the Rowan towns.

We must and will take care of the allotment of Liberty Bonds and with other Rowan towns skin "over top." The parade and patriotic gathering of this evening is to be an event, an interesting event, for the heads of the promoters have been brought close together and it is strongly intimated that they have some "stunts" that will prove worthy the price of a bond.

The parade is to form at the Community Building at 7 o'clock and then march to the Tabernacle where the exercises are to be held. There the speaking and other "stunts" are to be pulled off.

One of the most pleasing features of this parade will be the mothers of men, those who have boys in the army and who are to march side by side, just as their boys are, carrying service flags. In case the mother cannot be in the line another is wanted to take her place, a wife, a sister or close friend or relative.

The order of Parade follows:
1.—The Band.
2.—Mayor McNinch, Mayor Woodson, and the Mayors of the Rowan County Towns that have "gone over the top," accompanied by the Chief of Police and Outriders.

3.—The Mothers of Soldiers and Sailors, each carrying a Service Flag.
4.—Confederate Veterans.
5.—The Boy Scouts.
6.—The High School Pupils.
7.—The Red Cross Ladies.
8.—The Spencer Shop Delegation.
9.—Delegations from the Fraternal Orders.

The speaking will begin at the Tabernacle at 8 o'clock. Mr. Overman Cannot Be Here Tonight.

It was desired that Senator Overman speak at the Tabernacle this evening. He was invited to be here yesterday and address the patriotic rally this evening, but a wire from the Senator on yesterday announced that it would be impossible. On account of the urgent work that Mr. Overman is doing just now, handling the Overman bill, it is out of the question for him to leave Washington.

Mayor F. R. McNinch, of Charlotte is coming and those who heard Mr. McNinch at the Community Building a few weeks ago will recall one of the finest speeches of the war offerings.

The people on the street are asking many questions about the nature of the "Stille Stunt" that is to be enacted on the Tabernacle platform after Mayor McNinch's address. The mystery surrounding this event will be made clear to those who are fortunate enough to get inside the Tabernacle tonight. It is expected that something like a Charlie Chaplin Crush will be present, because in addition to the Salisbury population the Spencer Shop men are coming en masse.

Military Band Coming.

The Third Motor Mechanics Band from Camp Green will arrive this evening and take part in the parade and patriotic rally at the Tabernacle tonight. This band has 44 pieces and is one of the crack military bands of the camp. That alone will be worth the time to join the parade and attend the meeting at the Tabernacle.

W S S
It was probably first known to the Hebrews in the time of Solomon, when their commercial relations were very greatly extended.

CONFIDENCE AMONG THE ALLIED OFFICERS

Men Also Full of the Spirit of Optimism, Says a Military Critic Just Back From the Front.

COMRADESHIP AND ESTEEM BETWEEN THE ARMIES

Tuesday Was a Splendid Day for the Allies and a Most Grave One for Germany View Expressed

(By Associated Press.)
Paris via Ottawa, May 3.—Henry Bico, the distinguished military critic of the *Journal des Debates*, who has just returned from the front gave Reuter's correspondent here a most encouraging account of the situation there. He says the last time he visited the front was just after the capture of Kemmel Hill. He found some gloom over the possibility involved in this loss but when he returned he was delighted to find a spirit of utmost confidence among allied officers and men, resulting from the magnificent manner in which the Germans were held up. He said Tuesday was a splendid day for the allies and graver for the Germans than the loss of Kemmel Hill was to the allies. He concluded that never before had he seen such comradeship and mutual esteem among the allies as since the beginning of this great battle when the French and British fought and died together.

SKILLED MEN ARE CALLED.

Provost Marshal General Crowder Issues a Call for Over Six Thousand for National Army.

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, May 3.—A call for 6,207 skilled men for the national army was sent out today Provost Marshal General Crowder. All states are included, except New Jersey. It directs the movement of men on May 17th.

AMERICA STRIPPING FOR THE BATTLE

Germans Must Meet the Allies or They Must Go Back, They Cannot Stand Still.

America is stripping for the decisive battle on the battlefield of Europe. In an executive session of the military committee of the lower house of Congress, Secretary of War Baker, Major General March, chief of staff, and Provost Marshal General Crowder have asked Congress to give the President blanket authority to increase the United States army to whatever size may be necessary to win the war. This country now has nearly 2,000,000 men under arms and the army appropriation bill for this year would provide for an increase of this number to 3,000,000.

While America's plans for throwing her every resource into the battle against Prussianism are maturing, the lull which has brooded over the western battlelines continues. The expected German attacks on the Ypres and Amiens fronts have not been launched. Here and there the opposing artilleries have broken forth into wild bombardments, such as usually are preludes to massed attacks on the allied lines, but they have died out after a few hours. Here and there local operations have been carried out for the purpose of straightening lines and raiding the enemy's position, but they have not developed into anything unusual.

Lieut. Thompson Killed in Airplane Accident.

Lawton, Okla., May 2.—Lieut. William Dean Thompson, of the 253d field artillery, student observer at Post field, was instantly killed, and Lieut. Foster Bailey, pilot, was injured seriously today when their airplane fell 300 feet.

The engine stopped when the men were doing a spiral and as the pilot attempted to coast to a landing, the machine went into a tail-spin, falling to the earth.

FRENCH TROOPS TAKE INITIATIVE

While Germans Delay 'Coming Back' on North or South Petain's Men Deliver Attacks.

VALUABLE GROUND AND POSITIONS ARE GAINED

Entente Improve Positions Also in the Villers-Bretonneux Region—Germans Still Hold Off.

(By Associated Press.)
While a new German stroke on either the north or south battlefronts is still delayed the French have taken the initiative in the latter field and delivered a telling blow southeast of Amiens.

Attacking on a front of more than a mile between Hilles and Castel General Petain's troops yesterday afternoon drove the Germans from hill 82, an eminence some 250 feet overlooking the Avre river and captured the wood to the east and southeast, immediately bordering on the Avre. The ground thus gained is probably more valuable than any other of equal area and lies along the Somme front. It was here the Germans effected their greatest westward penetration in Amiens drive and at hill 82 they were in less than three miles of the important Paris-Amiens railway.

Adding this new terrain to the other high ground taken by the French farther south along the Avre not long ago excellent line defenses appears to have been taken up by the French forces in this region.

The position of the French at Hangard and those of the British on the Villers-Bretonneux ridge preserve the continuity of the line of commanding ground of virtually all vital spots north of the Somme. In the Villers-Bretonneux region as well there has been further improvement of entente positions, the French gaining ground in local fighting last night.

The Germans are still holding off on the Flanders battlefield and German newspapers are telling the public the high command may decide not to take Ypres after all as its possession is not important.

The German artillery seems to have turned attention chiefly to the southern side of the Flanders salient and last night bombarded this region along a 15-mile line between Givincy and Nieppe wood. In several thrusts at this front previously the enemy was unable to make any substantial headway in the British lines, supported as they were by the barrier of the La-Bassee canal and backed up by commanding positions behind Bapaume.

Reported That Finland Wants a King

London, May 3.—Finnish newspapers are calling for the establishment of a monarchial form of government, according to an exchange telegraph company's wire from Copenhagen.

The organ of the present party in power says that a German prince is desired as king.

French Make Capture.

(By Associated Press.)
Paris, May 3.—The French made an attack late yesterday on the front between Hilles and Castel, southwest of Amiens and captured Hill No. 82 and the wood on the Avre river, the war office announced today.

London, May 3.—In the neighborhood of Villers-Bretonneux on the front before Amiens the British gained in local fighting during last night, the war office announces today.

On the northern front artillery fighting was especially active near Gouyette to the east of Nieppe and south of Ypres.

Gen. Holbrook Succeeds Gen. Ruckman.

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, May 3.—Gen. Willard A. Holbrook was named by the war department today to succeed Brigadier General John W. Ruckman as commander of the Southern department. General Holbrook has been in charge of Camp Sherman, Ohio.

W S S
A French botanist has discovered a plant in Africa that literally coughs to clear dust from its leaf pores.

DAYS CASUALTY LIST

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, May 3.—The casualty list of today contains the names of 88 Americans divided as follows:

Killed in action 18; died of wounds 1; died from accident 2; died of disease 5; wounded severely 2; wounded slightly 58; missing in action 2.

Lieutenants Thomas F. Mooney, of San Antonio, and Densmore Ely, of Chicago, died as results of accidents and Lieutenant Louis Edens, of Cadool, Mississippi, is reported missing in action.

Lieutenants Mooney and Edens are the only Southerners named in the list today. All the others are from other sections. Connecticut and Massachusetts are represented largely, with several from New York and from the states of the middle west.

PARENTS DAY AT SCHOOLS.

Large Numbers of Parents of the Pupils See Actual Book Work in the School Rooms During the Day.

In the city public schools and by special and urgent invitation of Superintendent Andrews and the members of the faculty hundreds of parents of the pupils, from the lowest to the highest grades, as well as other friends of the school visited the schools during the day and saw the children in actual everyday bookwork. Each parent's objective was the room or rooms in which they had children but other departments were also visited. There was also a gathering in the auditorium where Mr. A. H. Boyden and several others made short talks and altogether the day was a most profitable as well as instructive one.

This visit to the schools when there was nothing out of the ordinary or special going on was a revelation to many; seeing the children and especially those of the lower grades in action, and it demonstrated the patience required of the teachers in training the minds of the children. It was a happy plan to have this "Parents' Day" and it is a pity one or both parents of each pupil could not have been in attendance at some hour during the day.

MORE MEN OFF ON MAY TENTH

Rowan to Send a Few More Men to Camp on the Tenth, Going to Fort Scriven, Georgia.

List of men to go:
Frank D. Hayworth.
Richard W. Arey.
Milas Hooks.
David F. Bradshaw.
Henry Alfred Ellis.
Lesser Lawrence Brown.
Francis Kenneth Brown.
William Allen.

Alternates:
Roland S. Freeman.
Clebus A. Misenheimer.
Joseph Wm. Henry Poole.
Curtis Black.

INHUMAN TRANSPORTATION OF WOUNDED PRISONERS BY HUNS

Numbers of Wounded British Prisoners Transported Without Hospital Train and Dutch Medical Authorities Are Astounded.

(By Associated Press.)
London via Ottawa, May 3.—Dutch newspapers state that 107 severely wounded British prisoners have arrived at Rotterdam for repatriation and that they were not sent from Germany under proper conditions. No hospital train was provided and Dutch medical authorities expressed forcible opinion regarding the transportation of stretcher cases under such conditions.

The German authorities, it is declared, must either confess inhumanity or admit that no hospital train was available owing to the German losses on the western front.

FORMER PRES. TAFT PREDICTS LONG WAR

Government Should Co-ordinate all Activities Quickly as Possible to Winning of the War.

BUT ONE QUESTION BEFORE AMERICAN PEOPLE; WAR

Former President Says Man Power Will Be the Deciding Factor in This World Wide Fight.

(By Associated Press.)
Greensboro, May 3.—"There is but one question before the American people today; that is to win the war," said former President Taft, who speaks here tonight, when questioned in relation to the war.

"In order to win the war it is necessary that the government as quickly as possible co-ordinate all activities to this end. The people of America might as well face the fact that this war will last three and perhaps five years longer and that supremacy in man power will be the deciding factor."

Releigh, May 3.—Former President William H. Taft "matched President Wilson" when he subscribed for another \$50 Liberty bond at a Liberty Loan meeting in Elizabeth City last night, at which Mr. Taft was the principal speaker, it became known on the arrival of the former President here today.

Mr. Taft breakfasted with friends in Raleigh this morning en route to Greensboro, where he delivers a Liberty Loan speech tonight.

SENTENCED TO BUY LIBERTY BONDS BY A N. C. JUDGE

Chairman of Surry County Board of Commissioners Assaults Man as Result of War Argument and Unique Penalty is Imposed.

(By Associated Press.)
Winston-Salem, May 3.—In Surry county superior court today chairman J. J. Wallace, of the board of county commissioners, pleaded guilty to secret assault and the judgment of the court was that the defendant purchase \$1,000 worth of Liberty Bonds and deposit them with the clerk of the court, give \$100 to the Red Cross and the same amount to the Y. M. C. A., and also to resign as a member of the board of commissioners.

The evidence disclosed that the assault grew out of an argument over the war, Wallace expressing himself in strong language against the government.

PROGRESS IN SHIPBUILDING.

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, May 3.—Wonderful progress in shipbuilding operations in the South was reported to the shipping board today by L. Prior, a special investigator sent by the board on a tour of southern yards.

AN ARGENTINE HIGH FINANCIAL COMMISSIONER IS APPOINTED

Dr. Romula S. Naon, Argentine Ambassador to the United States to Serve in Double Capacity for a Time.

(By Associated Press.)
Buenos Aires, Argentine, May 1.—Dr. Romula S. Naon, Argentine ambassador to the United States, has been appointed Argentine high financial commissioner at Washington, heading a special commission to handle the situation arising from difficulties attending exports to Argentina of indispensable war materials.

CITY ALDERMEN IN A BUSY SESSION

City Appropriates \$25 a Month to Fund to Carry on Work of the Travelers' Aid Here.

SANITARY SURFACE CLOSURES FOR ENTIRE CITY

Aldermen Refuse Application of "Green Trading Stamp" Concern to Do Business in City.

The board of aldermen met in regular session at the city hall last night, all members being present and Mayor Woodson presiding.

After the minutes of the last meeting had been read and approved the following business was transacted:

P. S. Carlton, Esq., appeared before the board in behalf of a colored man who asked privilege to operate a dance hall in the old Rankin building on East Council street May 30th during the colored celebration. The applicant agreed to pay the expense of two officers to be placed on duty there that day. The application was granted.

A delegation of merchants from the Merchants Association, headed by President S. W. Harry, was before the board asking that application of a concern to do a "green trading stamp" business in Salisbury be not granted. The merchants outlined their opposition to this scheme and the board unanimously voted not to license such concern to do business here.

The merchants also took occasion to request the city to provide additional fire fighting apparatus for the firemen, namely another motor hose truck with chemical apparatus attachment.

A motion was made and carried to send a delegation to Raleigh to appear before the corporation commission to oppose the efforts of the Southern Bell Telephone Company to raise telephone rates in Salisbury. It was stated by the merchants present that their organization would co-operate with the city and probably send representatives to this meeting.

Aldermen Henderlite, on request of the railroad authorities, asked that the old frame residence on East Innes street near the railroad bridge and which is located on railroad property, be condemned. The railroad company asked this step in order that it might go ahead and improve the property and the house will be remodelled and made into a good residence. This was done and the building now stands condemned.

Several citizens from various sections of the city were present asking minor street improvements in their sections in the way of crossings, sidewalks, etc. These matters were placed in the hands of the street committee.

A delegation of ladies, with Mrs. W. T. Rainey as spokesman, came in and appealed to the board for financial aid in support of the proposed woman which the Travelers Aid contemplates placing at the passenger station in Salisbury. It was said the Southern had no appropriation to donate to this purpose but that it would co-operate and furnish a desk and fit up quarters in the passenger station. The women are to put on a campaign for funds but were asking the city for \$300 a year. The aldermen voted to appropriate \$25 a month to this cause provided the women raise a sufficient amount to augment this and put the proposition through.

The reports of the various committees were read and approved.

It was decided to place piping on Caldwell street, in the dip between Council and Liberty street, in order to take care of the waters after rains here.

The matter of improving North Main street beyond Steele street was brought up and a report is to be made on this proposition at the next meeting.

It was decided to accept the proposition of a manufacturing concern to ship a street sweeper and sprinkler here on trial and if satisfactory and as guaranteed to accept the same and purchase it at a price of \$550.

It was voted to notify the water and gas companies to immediately repair places in numbers of streets torn up in the laying of water and gas pipes.

FOCH IS CHIEF ON THE WEST FRONT

Military Authority of the Great French General Has Been Extended Through Italian Help.

GENERAL FOCH IS VERY OPTIMISTIC, SAYS PREMIER

The French Fighter Has Become Commander-in-Chief of All the Allied Armies in the West.

(By Associated Press.)

The military authority of General Foch as a result of Italian co-operation has been extended to all the western front and the general now becomes commander-in-chief of all the allied armies in the west, says Macel Houtin in the *Echo de Paris*.

M. Houtin says Premier Clemenceau has returned from the meeting of the supreme war council at Abbeville. The premier without going into details expressed satisfaction with the results of the conference.

"And the situation at the front?" asked the writer.

"General Foch is very optimistic—all I can tell you, was the premier's reply."

MAJOR GENERAL ANDREWS SHIFTED

(By Associated Press.)
New York, May 3.—By the Associated Press.—Major General James McAndrews has been appointed chief of staff of the American expeditionary force and he reported for duty immediately. Brigadier General James C. Hardord, who has been General Pershing's chief of staff, has been assigned to command in the field which he has taken over.

Cotton Opening.

New York, May 3.—The cotton market opening was as follows:
May 26.20
July 25.60
October 24.65-25.00
December 24.70
January 24.55

Cotton Shows Renewed Weakness.
New York, May 3.—The cotton market showed renewed weakness today. First prices were irregular at a decline of 15 to 47 points and before the end of the first hour active months were 45 to 75 points net lower with July selling at 25.20 and October at 24.55.

Close of Cotton.

May 25.50
July 24.94
October 24.25
December 24.09
January 23.95

Otherwise the city will proceed with this repair work and charge the same to the companies mentioned.

The salaries of two workmen at the cemeteries was raised \$10 each per month.

The aldermen asked for a report on the city wood yard, conducted here the past winter for the purpose of relieving charity and urgent cases. This will be forthcoming at the next meeting.

It was decided to remove the surplus wood, left over from this wood yard, to the city schools.

The new sanitary closet ordinance was put on its second reading and passed and is now a law. This ordinance goes into effect at once but specifies a certain time in which these closets must be installed. This has to do with surface closets and is being adopted by hundreds of cities throughout the country in the interest of health. Every surface closet in the city must be built according to plans approved by the State Board of Health, these closets being regulation closets. An effort will be made to get some contractor to put these in, except where individuals desire to build their own closets or make other arrangements to have them installed in the specified time. This ordinance has the full endorsement of County Health Officer, Dr. A. J. Warren.

The election of various city officers, including policemen, will be held the first meeting night in June.