

You Can at Least Be in the Second Line of Defense---Be a War Saver

WEATHER FORECAST

Probably showers tonight and Saturday; warmer.

Salisbury Evening Post

MEMBER OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ONE EDITION 2 CENTS

VOL. 14, NO. 149.

SALISBURY, NORTH CAROLINA.

FRIDAY, JUNE 21, 1918.

PRICE TWO CENTS

FOOD AS A FACTOR IN WAR MORE MENACING

Americans Holding 38 Mile Line on the Western Front

FOOD CONDITIONS DISTRESS GERMANY

Returning Dutchman Says He Left Krupp Plant on Account of the Food Conditions.

TWO PARTIES ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE FROM GERMANY

One of the Men Was an Officer Who Said He Left Because of Conditions.

(By Associated Press.)

London, June 21.—Food conditions in Germany are becoming more menacing and there is great distress there owing to the reduction in the bread ration, according to an interview with the correspondent of the Times by a Dutchman at the Hague.

The Dutchman has just returned from the Krupp gun plant at Essen where he had been working and which he left because of the food conditions. The German people, he declared, are afraid to speak in open complaint because of the fear of being sent to the front.

Tried to Get Out of Berlin and German Conditions.

Copenhagen, June 20.—Four residents of Berlin attempted to escape from Germany on Thursday in two airplanes. One of the machines succeeded in landing in Denmark, but the other was brought down by a German guard ship. The machine that landed in Denmark contained two occupants, one of these being a reserve officer who is a professor in the University of Berlin. They say that they fled from Germany because of the conditions there.

Austria is Exercised Over the Bread Reduction, Too.

London, June 21.—Information received through reports coming in today indicate great excitement in Austria over the reduction in the bread ration is quoted from Austrian newspapers by a correspondent of the Times at The Hague.

Premier Seidler is assured by the Socialist Arbeiter Zeitung at Vienna of the producing of a disastrous situation by agrarians and traders. It adds: "The Austrian people cannot starve while the Germans and Hungarians have tolerably adequate rations."

Food Shortage Affecting Health.

London, June 21.—In many provinces of Hungary there is only one-third or one-fourth the food necessary to maintain the population in health, former premier Tisza declared in a dispatch to the Hungarian parliament yesterday, according to a Budapest telegram forwarded by the Exchange Telegraph correspondent at Amsterdam.

Situation at Prague Desperate.

Copenhagen, June 21.—The situation at Prague, Bohemia, and the industrial centers in that district, says the Neue Freie Presse, of Vienna, has become so serious that the Austrian government will either be compelled to increase the bread ration or run the risk of still further exciting the working people. In the latter event, the newspaper declares, railway communication may be cut off and a revolution break out.

W S S

"WORK OR FIGHT" ORDERS ARE ISSUED TO LOCAL BOARDS

Status of Professional Ball Players Not Defined But Games and Sports Emphasized as Non-essential.

Washington, June 21.—The new regulations issued to draft boards today by Provost Marshal General Crowder to govern the application of the "work or fight" order do not rule specifically on the clause on professional baseball players or other classes which may be affected, but emphasized the section of the order placing games and sports among the occupations classed as non-essential.

TO FLY ACROSS ATLANTIC OCEAN

Major General Brancker of British Air Ministry Now in Washington Confering on Matter.

NEXT SUMMER SEAPLANES SHOULD BE MAKING TRIPS

British Council Has Definitely Decided on These Trans-Atlantic Flights at an Early Day.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, June 21.—Big American air and seaplanes should be flying across the Atlantic to reach the front by next summer, Major General W. Brancker, of the British air ministry, said here today in an informal statement to the press. He is in Washington to co-operate with the American aircraft officials and believes a pioneer trans-Atlantic flight should be attempted without delay.

General Brancker disclosed the fact that the British air council had definitely decided on trans-Atlantic flights in order to find a route for the movement of American craft to the front.

The mission of General Brancker to this city has to do with arrangements for pioneer flights in which it is hoped the United States government will co-operate.

It is expected the initial flight will be made this autumn in a machine of British make, probably a sea boat, starting from New Foundland and touching at Azores and Portugal before arriving in Ireland.

W S S

SPECIAL SERVICE MEN ARE CALLED

Opportunity for Some Registrants to Go to Specially Equipped Schools for Training.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, June 21.—Provo Marshal General Crowder today called for 8,976 drafted registrants qualified for general military service to be sent July 15th to various schools for special training. The call is being held open for volunteers until July 15th.

W S S

AMBASSADOR OF RUSSIA ASKS ALLIED INTERVENTION



M. BORIS BAKMETIEFF

Boris Bakmetieff, ambassador of the Kerensky government of Russia to the United States, has issued an appeal from the Constitutional Democratic Party for American and allied intervention in Russia to save the country from German domination. Without it, he declares, the Germans will take Russia, so she will be of no future use to the allies.

W S S

Female munition workers in France are limited to ten hours' work a day.



PAUL BERGANIER

ITALIANS AGAIN STOP AUSTRIANS

Stout Resistance of the Fighters of Sunny Italy Proves Too Much for Prince Charles' Troops.

AUSTRIANS DEFEATED IN A DRIVE YESTERDAY

Austrians Have for Some Days Held Positions Near Nevessa But Last Attack Was Futile.

(By the Associated Press)

Stout Italian resistance has again stopped the Austrians in their effort to extend the front on the Montello plateau, the keystone of the Italian defense on the river Piave.

Official announcement is made at Rome that the Austrians were defeated in the drive yesterday on the northeast section of the plateau and only in the south were they able to make any progress whatever.

The enemy was able to cross the Monte Belluna-Suzanna railway at several points near Nervessa station but even at this point was promptly stopped.

As the Austrians for some days held positions near Nervessa the net result of the last attack is apparently insignificant.

American aviators are now actively engaged on the Piave front.

Raiding operations are reported of the British front, while the French have their positions on the front west of Soissons.

W S S

CARPENTERS STRIKE AT AZELEA

Between Five Hundred and Six Hundred Men Employed On the Government Hospital Want More Money.

(By the Associated Press)

Asheville, June 21.—Between 500 and 600 union carpenters went on strike today at the Azelea government tuberculosis sanatorium when the contractors, Gude & Company, refused to grant them an increase in pay of \$1.00 a day.

CHARLOTTE MAN IN DAY'S CASUALTY LIST

Corporal Eugene McCloud of Charlotte and Joe Orr of Matthews are in Marine Casualty List—Army List Small Today.

(By the Associated Press)

Washington, June 21.—The army casualty list today contains 38 names, divided as follows:

Killed in action 6; died of wounds 1; died of disease 3; wounded severely 27; wounded, degree not known, 1.

Marine List.

The marine casualty list today contains 127 names, divided as follows:

Killed in action 10; died of wounds 10; wounded severely 98. The list includes private Joe L. Orr, of Matthews, N. C., who died of wounds; gunner sergeant Oscar Jordan, of Orr Hill, and Corporal Eugene McCloud, of Charlotte, reported severely wounded.

W S S

GOMPERS AGAIN HEADS AMERICAN FEDERATION

Elected by Acclamation and Will Make Labor Tour to England, France and Italy.

St. Paul, Minn., June 20.—Samuel Gompers was re-elected president of the American federation of labor by acclamation at the annual convention here this afternoon.

Frank Morrison of Washington, and D. J. Tobin of Indianapolis were re-elected secretary and treasurer, respectively.

Atlantic City, N. J., was selected as the next convention city.

President Gompers was authorized to visit England, France and Italy in order to cement relations between the allied and American workers. It was recommended that the executive council maintain a permanent representative of the federation in Europe.

The committee went on record for maximum production of war materials without interruption, endorsed government control of railroads and favored as low as possible price for wheat not inconsistent with farmers' interests.

ANOTHER CALL IS MADE FOR N. C. MEN

Four Thousand, Two Hundred and Forty-Seven Must Respond During the Early Part of July.

ONE THOUSAND TO GO TO OGLETHORPE, GEORGIA

One Thousand Three Hundred Negro Men to Be Called to Go to Camp Dix, Maryland.

(By Associated Press.)

Raleigh, June 21.—A call upon North Carolina for 4,274 men has been issued by the war department, Adjutant General Young announced today.

One thousand men qualified for general military service will be sent between July 5th and 10th to Camp Greenleaf, Oglethorpe, Ga.

Two hundred and forty-seven men of grammar school education having experience as blacksmiths, carpenters and mechanics will be sent to Clemson College, Clemson, S. C., on July 15th.

One thousand seven hundred others will go later to Camp Meade, Md.

One thousand three hundred negroes will go to Camp Dix, Md., later.

W S S

AS TO BEER AND SHIPYARDS.

Senate Agricultural Committee Postpones Section on Rider to the Agricultural Bill.

(By the Associated Press)

Washington, June 21.—At a three-hour session the Senate Agricultural committee today decided to postpone action on the Jones prohibition rider to the agricultural appropriation bill to reopen hearings for the purpose of further investigating statements made by Brainbridge Colby of the Shipbuilding Board that to take beer away from the American shipyard employes would reduce the output of the American yards 25 per cent.

W S S

Bread for the British soldiers is made "near the front" by members of the British Women's Army Auxiliary corps.

LUTHER LEAGUE MEETING ADJOURNS

Delegates and Visitors Guests of the Local League at a Social in the Sunday School Annex.

PRESIDENT SIGMON GIVES A HISTORY OF ORGANIZATION

Closing Address Was by Rev. W. D. Haltiwanger on "Luther League's Place in Church."

The District convention of the Luther League of Western North Carolina which has been in session in St. John's Lutheran church in this city since Wednesday morning adjourned after the morning session today, it having proven to be the largest and most enthusiastic meeting yet held.

Thursday night was given over entirely to a social session at which time the delegates and visitors were the guests of the local league at a reception tendered in the Sunday school rooms of the church and at which refreshments were served. This proved to be a most enjoyable feature of the convention.

This morning the devotional services were conducted by Rev. Dr. M. M. Kinard, of Salisbury, who also made a most excellent talk to the young people. Then came the usual business session at which a number of matters pertaining to the work of the league was discussed and disposed of. There was also a splendid and helpful address on "The Luther League's Place in the Church," by Rev. W. D. Haltiwanger. A special feature of the morning session was the specially arranged musical program by the members of the Salisbury League.

After the preliminaries, including the usual resolutions on entertainment and the like the convention adjourned and some of the delegates returned to their homes on the afternoon trains while others remained over until tonight.

It was a splendid body of young Christian workers who were here for this meeting and they took great interest in the proceedings and feel that the work of the organization has been given a great boost through this association and meeting of the members of this young people's branch of the church work.

Birth and Growth of the League.

President J. C. Sigmon, of the District Luther League, in making his address to the convention gave the following history of the organization:

"The Luther League was organized in St. Peter's church, New York City, 1887. It grew out of the interest of young men such as Hon. A. F. Elliot, who is virtually the father of the Luther League, and for years has given both time and money in its behalf.

The Luther League of America was organized in the First Lutheran church of Pittsburg, October 31, 1895, upon the call of the State Leagues of New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Ohio and Kansas. Four hundred and twenty delegates were present. A constitution was adopted and the Luther League Review was made the official organ. The motto of the League is "Of the Church and for the Church." Its sentiment is praying and working. The principles of the League are federation and co-operation. It is not inter-synodical, but it is non-synodical in its organization. Its objects are to stimulate, increase Christian activity and to foster the spirit of loyalty. It proposes work rather amusement as its aim, although it encourages Christian sociality.

The Luther League is today international. We have leagues in Canada, Japan, China, Porto Rico, and the latest statistics show organizations in about twenty states; ninety District Leagues and 4,000 Local Leagues. Mr. C. T. A. Anderson is now president of the National body. The Luther League has been styled the Training School of the Church.

The District League of Western North Carolina was organized at St. John's church, Statesville, November 20th, 1913, with six leagues. We (Continued on page 3.)

AMERICANS HOLD 38 MILE FRONT

Sammies in Charge of Extended Line on the Western Front Against the Germans.

AMERICAN AVIATORS ARE ON THE ITALIAN FRONT

Austrian Effort to Widen Northeast Salient, Keystone to Piave Front, Has Failed.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, June 21.—American soldiers are now holding the fighting line for a distance of 38 miles on the western front, according to information given members of the House military committee at today's weekly conference with Secretary Baker and General March, chief of staff.

American Flyers on Italian Front.

Italian Headquarters, June 20.—(By the Associated Press.)—The first American aviator to fly from the Italian front went on a bombing expedition and succeeded in blowing two holes in a new Austrian position.

Leading American Ace Missing.

Paris, June 21.—The leading American ace in the French flying corps, First Lieutenant Frank L. Baylies, of New Bedford, Mass., is missing after an unequal fight with four German machines.

Austrian Efforts Failed.

Rome, June 21.—The effort of the Austrians to widen the northeast salient, the keystone to the Piave front, to the west, failed completely, Premier Orlando told parliament tonight.

To the south, the premier said, the enemy again succeeded in crossing the Montebelluna-Suzanna rail road at several points, but near Nervessa station they were stopped. On the lower Piave the Italians have gained more ground.

The enemy's losses during the day were enormous, the premier added, and the Italians took several hundred prisoners.

Preparing for Another Attack.

Paris, June 21.—Grave events are pending on the British front, according to military experts who see in the intensity of the German cannonading at various points preparation for another new German attack.

Other Casualties for the Week.

London, June 21.—The British casualties reported for the week ending today aggregate 36,620.

W S S

THE GERMAN CHURCH REVIEW TAKES ISSUE WITH KAISER

Laments Laxity of the Present Day German Morale and Condemns Proposal to Equalize Bigamy in the Empire.

(By the Associated Press)

Amsterdam, June 21.—The German Quarterly, Church Review, published Protestant Grenz Zeitung, of Berlin, seems likely to make unpleasant reading for Emperor William in view of his frequent utterances in praise of the piety and high morality of the people, and which says:

"The highest law seems to be profiting and amusement."

Lamenting the laxity of the present day German morale the Review condemns the proposal emanating from Cologne to equalize bigamy, which proposition the document takes quite seriously.

This attitude is interesting because it is recalled that proposal at the time it was made was presented by eminent Germans as a mere freak unworthy of serious notice.

W S S

Change in Some Freight Rates.

(By the Associated Press)

Washington, June 21.—Through freight rates from the Southeast to the West, lower than combination rates heretofore, were ordered established by the railroad administration today.