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TURNING POINT OF THE WAR HAS COME

NO MORE BREAD TO SELL FOR 5 CENTS

BAKERS ADOPT RESOLUTION, RAISING THE PRICE OF ALL BREAD TO TEN CENTS PER LOAF.

SHORTAGE OF WHEAT

Estimated Crop Will Be Thirty Per Cent Short This Year. High Cost of Ingredients and Labor Cause Action of Bakers.

(By United Press)

Salt Lake City, Aug. 9.—The convention of National Master Bakers today adopted resolutions declaring it "their sacred duty to the public to fix the price of bread at ten cents per loaf." The unprecedented rise in the price of ingredients and labor is given as the cause for this action. Nation-wide interest has been aroused. 700,000 members of the National Housewives' League will fight the action of the bakers.

Wheat Jumps in Price.

Chicago, Aug. 9.—Wheat jumped from five to seven cents today, as the result of the government crop report, which predicted a thirty per cent decrease in production.

MAY HAVE "ONE-WAY" TRAFFIC RULE

Mayor Stewart is Considering Several Changes in Traffic Regulations of City.

Some decided changes in the traffic rules of the city are being considered by Mayor E. T. Stewart, and will probably be brought up at the next meeting of the Board of Aldermen for action.

Mr. Stewart is in favor of a "one-way" traffic law on Main street, between Market and Gladden. This law would permit all vehicles to travel only in one direction. He also favors making all automobiles stop at the corner of Market and Second streets. Some ordinance, regulating the use of dazzling headlights within the city limits, will also probably be passed at the next meeting of the board.

INTERESTING MEETING CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WAS HELD LAST NIGHT

Large Attendance of Members Present. Seven New Members Enrolled.

One of the best-attended meetings of the Chamber of Commerce that has been held recently, tok place last night. There were thirty members present and much interest and enthusiasm was manifested. Seven new members were added to the chamber: Aldermn-Capehart Laundry Co., W. H. Baker, W. M. Bell, J. S. Campbell, Lee Davenport, Jackson & Roberson and A. R. Styron.

An interesting report of the last year's work and some excellent suggestions for future work were read by E. L. Stewart.

B. G. Moss reported that he had been handling considerable correspondence relative to a packing plant.

The matter of a "pay-up week" for Washington was brought up and was referred to the publicity committee. Several other matters of interest were discussed.

GUNS THAT ARE BATTERING THE GERMANS

This is one of the heavy British guns in action on the west front, where such cannon have smashed the German trenches for many miles.

NEW BERN MAN IS DROWNED

James G. Delemar Met Tragic Death in Neuse River Last Night.

A death which cast a shadow of gloom over the entire city occurred at Wyatt's Beach last night about 8:15 o'clock when Mr. James G. Delemar succumbed to a sudden attack of heart trouble, either as he was preparing to go overboard for a swim or immediately after striking the water.

Mr. Delemar left New Bern about 7:30 o'clock in his launch with a party composed of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Braddy, Miss Sidonia Dunn and Mr. Roderick Davenport, for Wyatt's Beach, where they intended to spend a short time bathing, after which they were going for a sail down the Neuse river.

No one saw Mr. Delemar when he went into the water, but as other members of the party prepared to go in for a swim, and had descended from the boat, one of the men saw an object and upon approaching it he saw that it was Mr. Delemar. When Mr. Braddy reached Mr. Delemar the body was submerged with the exception of his cholders. His feet were resting on the bottom with his head and arms hanging down. The water at this point was about two feet deep.

The body was carried ashore, a physician summoned from New Bern and in the meantime the other members of the party worked untiringly in an effort to resuscitate the body, but at no time was there any sign of life. As soon as Dr. R. S. Primrose arrived he examined the body and found that death was not caused by drowning, but was the result of heart failure. There were bruises on the right side of Mr. Delemar's face and on his right arm, but it is believed that they were caused, either by striking the anchor or the bottom of the river.

Urges Farmers To Beware of "Pin-Hookers"

In a letter to A. M. Dumay, which was received this morning, H. W. Williams, of Hemningway, S. C., who was on the Washington tobacco market last year, warns the farmers of Beaufort county against selling their crop to speculators or "pin-hookers."

Mr. Williams states that there were a large number of speculators on the South Carolina market when it opened, but that most of them have left and have come to North Carolina. He says further that prices in South Carolina are very high and that a good many of the farmers of that section fell a prey to the offerings of the "pin-hookers" when the latter offered them a price that compared very favorably with last year's crop, but was far below what the tobacco was worth this year.

Reports Work Done By Chamber of Commerce During the Last Year

E. L. Stewart Also Suggests Projects That Require Attention During the Present Year

A most interesting report on the work that has been accomplished by the Chamber of Commerce during the last year, and suggestions for future work, was read at last night's meeting of the Chamber by E. L. Stewart. The report, in full, was as follows:

Mr. President and Gentlemen:

As your committee appointed by retiring President, Geo. T. Leach, to report on the work done and results accomplished during the past fiscal year by the Chamber of Commerce of Washington, N. C., as well as to suggest outline of work to be done during the coming year by said Chamber, I beg leave to submit the following:

A careful and critical reading of the records fails to disclose but few specific instances of definite and concrete accomplishments. Yet, when considered in the aggregate, it is, in my judgment, practically impossible to adequately and comprehensively sum up the vast amount of good that has been accomplished through the effort of the few citizens of Washington, who have the interest and welfare of the community truly at heart and have manifested this interest in their attendance upon the meetings of the Chamber of Commerce, and in their effort to aid in every practicabel way, the work which the Chamber is striving to do for the community.

I would call your attention especially to the following final results accomplished during the past year, which is conclusive evidence of what good can be done when men get together with determination of mind, and harmony and co-operation of spirit and purpose:

Through the efforts of this organization, a movement was launched beginning with a banquet and smoker, which finally resulted in the voting of $50,000 worth of road bonds for the improvement of public highways in Washington township.

The movement was conceived in this institution and carried to a successful conclusion, almost entirely through the labors of the members of this Chamber, and could we point to no other concrete piece of work done during the past year, we might well consider our efforts not to have been in vain.

Again, it was in this Chamber of Commerce, that the movement to have Beaufort County properly represented with an agricultural display, in keeping with the progress and accomplishments of our farmers, at the State Fair at Raleigh was conceived. Through the untiring energy of Mr. J. F. Latham, County Farm Demonstrator, assisted by the members of this organization, Beaufort county was properly represented on this occasion, and with its first display, captured the fourth prize, in open competition with all the other counties of North Carolina. This is likewise an achievement that is, and should be calculated to inspire us towards greater efforts in this direction in the future.

Again through the efforts of this Chamber of Commerce, Beaufort county held the largest and most successful County Commencement in the town of Washington within its history, and the vast amount of good, both moral, social, and intellectual accomplished through this one medium alone, in bringing the town and country folks together on this occasion, and entertaining them in the manner we did, needs no further commendation or exposition at my hands.

So much for the specific instances of results accomplished during the past year. It is needless to state in this connection that with an increased membership, who will necessar-

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Fierce Battles Being Fought On All Fronts

Allies Are Slowly Squeezing the Armies of Central[illegible] in Death Grapple. Indicates Turning Point of the Great War. Thousands of Prisoners Have Been Taken.

(By United Press)

London, Aug. 9.—A mighty triple offensive, in which several million men and thousands of guns are engaged, is slowly squeezing the armies of the Central Empires along every front.

Fighting stubbornly and, in many instances, with rare bravery, the Austrians, Geraman and Turks are giving ground in every theatre of war, save the Balkans, where recent skirmishes herald the beginning of a great allied offensive.

The Slavs have advanced thirty miles from Nedworns to Nisniof. Nedworns is a railway center of ten thousand persons, has been captured. The Russian center is within a few hours of Stanislau, a most important point, the capture of which will materially increase the danger of General Von Bothmer's army.

hTe most striking victory by the Italians since the war began, partly opens the way to Trieste, their great objective in the Isonzo campaign. Resistance is being given by the Austrians at Corits, but they will be forced to strip their lines as much as possible in order to meet the Russian menace in Galicia.

In the west, another slice of the German second lines have been won, four miles north of Somme. The Teutons are on the offensive only at Verdun. Positions have changed eight times since the offensive began. The allies are marching to victory even in the Caucasus.

Germans Hold Thiaumont.

Paris, Aug. 9.—The Germans again recaptured Thiaumont redoubt, north east of Verdun, according to an official statement. The French have repulsed all other attacks at Verdun and are advancing near Fleury. On the north Somme, the Germans repeatedly countered throughout the night against new positions, finally entering a single trench.

The battle continues in this region. Flying in darkness, at a mile-a-minute speed, French aeronauts crossed the Vosges mountains and Black Forest. The Geranns bombarded the town of Rothwell on the Necker river, causing great fires and intense explosions.

Russians Take Many Prisoners.

Petrograd, Aug. 9.—The Galician town of Tyniionics, seven miles east of Stanislau, fell today before General Lochitany's assault. Over 7,000 prisoners were taken, half of them being German. The Russians advanced six miles during the last twenty-four hours.

ZEPPELINS RAID COAST: KILLED 4

London, Aug. 9.—Zeppelins raided the coast of England and Scotland, according to an official statement today. Three women and one child were killed. Fourteen persons were injured. The air craft were dispersed by the coast guard.

KEATING BILL PASSES SENATE

Washington, Aug. 9.—The senate late yesterday passed the Keating child labor bill which prevents the shipments of goods in interstate commerce made with labor of children under 14 years of age and between the ages of 14 and 16 years who have been worked more than eight hours for a day, by a vote of 52 to 12.

Both Senators Overman and Simmons voted against the bill. Ten other senators, making a total of 12, were the only ones to vote against the measure. Senators Overman and Hardwick, however, were the only two who actually opposed the bill. Other senators, some of whom were not enthusiastically opposed to the measure but voted against it because it was thought to be good politics to do so, did nothing more than cast a vote against the bill, knowing full well that their vote meant nothing.

Overman and Hardwick, however, bucked the majority with speeches and with other tactics which they hoped might defeat the bill. Senator Overman and Representative Yates Webb tried to have the measure amended so that it would not be effective within two years from the date the President signs it. They were held down, however, by northern and western senators who had made up their minds that the bill should be passed and that it should be effective as soon as possible.

During the closing hours of debate yesterday Senator Tillman denounced southern cotton mill owners opposing the bill and said that while he believed it unconstitutional he was tempted to support it because of the selfishness of the interests fighting it. He also declared Congress was too much influenced by the attitude of labor interests.

"I have been shocked," said the South Carolina senator, "to see men in South Carolina—rich, intelligent, well educated men—who were willing to swell their dividends at the expense of little children. The veil of sophistry in their letters could not hide their heartlessness. Their zeal, stripped of verbiage, is 'let the children toil that we may live in luxury,' and yet we wonder at the spread of socialism and the increasing hostility of labor towards capital."

Prices on Tobacco Promise to Be High

V. B. Shelburne Writes Interesting Article Regarding General Crop Conditions and Prospects

The markets in South Carolina all opened last week, with prices ranging from $4.00 to $50.00. The general run in prices of tobacco is from double to three times what it was on the opening week of last year. Therefore with a short crop there and also in North Carolina, prices should be very satisfactory here.

I wish to impress upon the people not to sell their crop in the barn to "pin-hookers" and speculators. In a recent letter from South Carolina I am informed that all the "pin-hookers" have left there and are coming to our section to buy what they can before the market opens. Don't sell to them, but bring your tobacco to market where you have the advantage of the bidding of every company buying tobacco that is in the business, and make the money yourself that the "pin-hookers" would make.

Our market opens in Washington on the 16th, and if anyone has a load ready and will bring it he will get good high prices for it. But at the same time I want to advise the people who have fine first pullings, as some have, not to hurry them to market but to wait for the prices to get well established, and then sell. From my trips through the country I am of the opinion that in a great number of cases that there is as fine tobacco in the first pullings as there is in the crop. Certainly the first pullings are better color and clearer than were cured in the last spell of rainy weather. Where the first pullings are not fine I can see no reason to delay selling them, as there is danger of them getting hot in the bulk.

V. B. SHELBURNE.
Mgr. Beaufort Tobacco Warehouse

"BEN BLAIR" THE ATTRACTION AT NEW THEATRE TONIGHT

'Ben Blair' is a play unusual in its skillful contracts of life on the prairie and on Broadway, New York. It possesses action a plenty, a theme that will surely hold and thrill. The "Ben Blairs" of real life will find a marvelous counterpart in the "Ben Blair" which Dustin Farnum has created for the screen. This picture billed for tonight is a Paramount feature and is seen in five acts.

ITALIANS WINNING A GREAT VICTORY

ATTACK ON CITY OF CORITS IS SUCCESSFUL. MAY BE THE TURNING POINT OF THE WAR.

GREAT ENTHUSIASM

Italians Crossing Bridge to Attack City, With Helmets Bedecked with Flowers. 15,000 Austrians Captured During Last Two Days.

(By United Press)

Rome, Aug. 9.—Two million men are battling along the Isonzo front in a great struggle around Corits in what may prove to be the turning point of the war on the southern frontier.

The Italians have captured the Corits bridge and are pouring across it, singing gaily, to assault the town. Their helmets are bedecked with flowers. It is believed that the capture of the city will be complete within a few hours, if it has not already taken place.

Fifteen thousand Austrians were captured during the first two days of the present offensive. Tremendous enthusiasm is felt all over Italy over the successful attacks of the Italian troops. The terrific bombardment of the Austrian line is augmented by Italian warships.

It is believed that a decisive victory is imminent that will send the Australians marching on to Triest.

SOCIALISTS ARE IN CONVENTION TODAY

Convention Being Held at Court House, Will Nominate County and Legislative Tickets.

The Socialists of the county are holding their county convention at the court house today for the purpose of nominating a county and legislative ticket. The party has increased considerably in strength during the last year or two and the convention today is well attended. R. H. Lane is county chairman.