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BARRAGE FIRE IS MELTING TRENCHES

End of Sixth Month of War Shows Steady Preparation

UNITED STATES IS RAPIDLY DEVELOPING INTO A GREAT AND POWERFUL MACHINE

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 (United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON.—America is rounding out its first six months in the world war today and has made marvelous records.

From a nation at peace and unpreparedness, the country in six months has developed into a powerful fighting machine—the greatest factor of the war.

Congress, on the eve of adjournment of its war session, has completed a program, which for magnitude and money, has no equal in the history of the world's parliaments.

On April 6, the day President Wilson waged the war declaration, the American army was small and unsupplied, the navy not fully manned, the railroads under-equipped, and unable to move their freight shipments, much less handle gigantic troop movements; America's merchant marine was a joke among other nations, the army had less than a dozen aeroplanes. No laws existed for the development of the navy, such as the emergency required. No money was at hand for the unprecedented expenditures necessitated. No authority was vested for the carrying out of the war.

But today, with the passage within six months, more than a million men are under arms, millions are registering for service, subject to call; sixteen cantonment camps—each one a city capable of housing 40,000 men—have been built at a cost of \$150,000,000; billions have been loaned to the Allies and billions appropriated for equipping and supplying our sailors and soldiers. There are now three times as many vessels in the navy as there was six months ago. The enlisted strength of the navy has been increased from 64,860 to over 143,000. Other branches of the service have been increased from 300 to 500 per cent, including the personnel of twenty naval training camps. There have been established air craft and projectile factories. The aeroplane construction program assures the presence of thousands of American aviators on European fronts soon. The shipping board has contracted 433 ships already. Seized vessels of the enemy are rapidly being put into service.

Plans have been completed for steel fabricating plants to cost \$30,000,000. An operating plant has been created sufficient to run 12,000 to 15,000 ships.

Responding to international appeals America has planned to build six millions tons of bottoms within the next eighteen months and thereafter at least six million tons a year. The railroads of the country are operating as one great system.

Foreign loans now average nearly \$14,000,000 daily and the country is spending approximately \$2,000,000 a hour in all war exigencies.

DEATH OF MRS. ALMETA KING.

Mrs. Almeta King, who for the greater part of her life was a resident of Greenville, died last night at the home of her daughter, Mrs. M. O. Winstead in Rocky Mount.

She was before marriage Miss Almeta Peebles, and was born in 1836. She married William King March 4, 1856.

They celebrated their golden wedding in 1906. Mr. King died in March, 1911. For many years, Mr. and Mrs. King conducted what was commonly known as the "King House" on Evans street, between Fourth and Fifth streets, somewhere in the vicinity of where the Greenville Banking & Trust Company now stands.

Since her husband's death, Mrs. King has made her home with her daughter, Mrs. L. I. Moore of New Bern.

She is survived by four children, as follows: Mrs. M. O. Winstead of Rocky Mount, Mrs. S. C. Wells of Wilson, G. B. King of Washington City and Mrs. L. I. Moore of New Bern.

Many friends and relatives are grieved at her death and the sympathy of the community goes out to them. The funeral will take place tomorrow at 11 o'clock at the family burial plot in Falkland township.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Memorial Baptist church will have a fancy sale during the first week of December.

THE TICK CLOSES THE GATE

Washington, D. C.—On a Tennessee stock farm, native cows that weighed from 500 to 700 pounds each and ranged in value from \$12 to \$20 a head were bred to pure-bred Shorthorn bulls. When from fifteen to eighteen months old the calves were sold on the Chicago market. They weighed an average of 800 pounds and brought 8 cents a pound, or \$64 a head.

This simple business transaction represents the difference between systematic stock raising and selling scrubs. One thing made it possible—the elimination of the tick. Gray stock can not be raised without pure-bred sires and the cattle tick do not live long in the same pasture. Usually the tick stays and the sires die of fever. This is one reason why the average value of beef cattle in tick-infested States is always many dollars less than in tick-free country. There is no way of grading up the herds.

In the particular case mentioned—it was in the days when Tennessee was still tick-ridden—the stock owner was big enough man to be able to get rid of the pest himself in his own dipping vats and to import his own breeding stock. The small farmer can afford to do neither. But he has just as much to gain in proportion as the big man from good stock and he wants it just as badly. He can get it, first, by voting in his county election for systematic tick eradication work under Federal supervision and, when that has been accomplished, by joining live stock associations and bull clubs in which a number of farmers have the joint use of a pure-bred sire. The United States Department of Agriculture will assist in the formation of these associations, just as it will assist in the eradication of the tick.

If the regulations are properly observed, it takes ordinarily one season to drive the tick out. Thereafter the way is open for stock raising on a scientific, profitable basis. This is being done elsewhere in the South. There are no ticks now in Tennessee and Kentucky, and only one corner of Virginia and the coast counties of North Carolina are still infested. Much of South Carolina is free, and about half of Mississippi and Alabama. There are large areas of free territory in Georgia, northern Arkansas and Oklahoma and in Texas. Successful work has been done, too, in Louisiana and Florida. In fact, there is not a single State in the whole area originally under quarantine which has not driven the tick out of some part at least of its territory.

The people who have done this did it because it paid. It is not only the man primarily interested in beef raising who profits. Every farmer knows that his farm will benefit if it has live stock on it, but he wants that live stock not only to enrich his land, but to pay for itself and more besides. For the ordinary man the tick cuts the profits down until they are too small to notice; so he doesn't keep many cattle. But when the tick goes off the farm, it leaves the gate open for the pure-bred bull to walk in and bring an income with him.

GOING OVER THE JUMPS IN CAMPS



Photo by American Press Association.
 Cavalrymen of the United States Army are no mean riders and can compare favorably with the Russian Cossacks. Here is one of our men doing stunts "somewhere in America."

ARRESTED ON SERIOUS CHARGE

The authorities on yesterday arrested a young white man giving his name as C. E. Spence, claiming to be from Raleigh, charged with false pretense and larceny. It is said that he is the man who appeared at the Cashier's window of Gorman and Gentry's warehouse yesterday, presenting himself as one who had sold tobacco and asked for his check. He was given same and a little later had it cashed at the National Bank.

He was arrested by policemen and identified by several as the man who got the check. When seen this morning by a reporter for the Daily News in the county jail he admitted that his name was C. E. Spence and said that he had come to Greenville for the purpose of aiding a woman who had preceded him here in the collection of funds for a Gospel Mission organization. He asserts that he is not the man and claims that he can prove at the hearing that he was in another section of the city at the time the check was secured.

Being unable to furnish bail in the sum of \$250 he is held.

To Stop Treasonable Activities in N. C.

RALEIGH.—The North Carolina State and County Councils of Defense, in conference here, have mapped out a State-wide campaign to stamp out treasonable activities and perfected an organization for an effective campaign of war cooperation with the government.

A woman's organization coordinated that of the men.

May Jail Mayor of Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA.—Mayor Thomas B. Smith faces the possibility of a jail sentence for contempt of court. He was held guilty of contempt during the Fifth Ward murder hearing when he refused to produce the "true original copy" of the report to him from Detective Albert Souder in accordance with a subpoena.

Strict Retaliation for the Air - Raids

BY LOWELL MELLETTE,
 (United Press Staff Correspondent).
 LONDON.—What will, in effect, be complete "retaliation," is England's answer today to the public demand that the German sky-devils be fought with fire. The war cabinet has decided to carry out an elaborate program of strict retaliation on German cities for the German airmen's murder raids over English cities.

COTTON MARKET
 (Reported by Speight & Co.)
 New York Futures:

Open	26.00	Close	25.95
December 25.32		December 25.37	
New York Spots 26.75			
Greenville Spots 26.00			

ENEMY PRISONERS RELATE TERRIBLE EFFECT OF THE BRITISH HEAVY GUN FIRE

BY WILLIAM P. SIMMS,
 (United Press Staff Correspondent)

WITH THE BRITISH ARMIES.—The British bull dog held fast to the great bite on which his vice-like jaws closed yesterday, close to the vital center of German's positions in Belgium.

German counters have completely failed. Every man of an unending stream of German prisoners, which flowed back to the cages, vouched for the tremendous losses suffered by the enemy in Haig's latest master stroke.

No such barrage as that which the British guns wove before the attacking "Tommies" was ever seen before. A veritable cloudburst of steel rained and melted enemy trenches away and cleft whole lines of German troops.

Short Sketch of the New York Giants

BY WILLIAM P. SIMMS,
 (United Press Staff Correspondent)

BILL BARDEN.—"Who Bill" is generally recognized as one of baseball's most efficient catchers. Clever at fielding bunts, fast at backing up plays, and a fast thinker, he copes well with other big league catchers. He was a Federal leaguer when the Feds blew and Harry Steinbrenner purchased his release from Harry Steinbrenner. Barden has been a consistent hitter. His blows have been timely. He bats and throws right-handed and checks his tobacco.

GEORGE GIBSON.—Gibson came under sliding into a state of tremendous desire before John J. McGraw finally hit a string to him and pulled him into the Giants' payroll. The veteran's sensational comeback this year proves McGraw wasn't mistaken in believing the old-time Pirate star would be a winner. Gibson has been almost exclusively assigned to the task of handling Ferdie Schupp's shoots and the pair have had the success. An injury a short time ago may handicap his work in the world's series, but McGraw is banking heavily on him just the same.

LEM McCARTHY.—McCarty missed participation in the last world's series when he was traded to the Giants by Brooklyn and came very near being checked out of the autumn's big hill. He broke his leg early in the season in Cincinnati and only in the last few weeks has he been allowed to take part in any games. His hitting is one of his chief claims to fame. His broken leg appears to have knit in splendid shape, but still is very weak.

WILLIAM P. FERRETT.—They call him Poll because most parrots are known by that monicker, and partly because his nose bears a resemblance to the beak of one of those birds. But aside from that, Poll is considerable of a pitcher, after an off-year he experienced last season. He has been the only reliable pitcher the Giants have had who could work with a right-hand delivery. Poll had the same affliction that struck Slim Sallee. He was with the Cardinals until he succeeded in convincing Miller Huggins he was needed in New York. He's been a big leaguer since 1912, when he graduated from the Vicksburg club of the Cotton States League. If any right-hander gets a chance against the White Sox in the forthcoming series it will be Ferrett.

FRED ANDERSON.—This young man a bear when in the Federal league. With Bill Ferrett he formed the star battery of that circuit. His spittball, however, have been his chief asset for about six innings in the National league. His effectiveness for a few innings never has been questioned, but his ability to blow suddenly, disastrously and unexpectedly may keep him from doing more than relief work in the big series. He is a capable right-hander while his stuff lasts.

AL DEMAREE.—Al is a cartoonist, which should change the luck around, but hasn't. Al is the luckiest man in baseball, not excepting Jack Barry or any of the others who have earned the title of luckiest. John McGraw took Al into the big leagues, but got tired of having him maraud along in 1914, so stuffed him off to Philadelphia, where he got in on the pie when Philadelphia won the National league pennant. After Al left the Giants he made it his ambition in life to trim the Giants often and effectively. He did it with such precision and regularity that the impression prevails that McGraw came to the conclusion he would have been better off if he had kept the big right hander, so he traded Peter Kliduff (one of the infidel finds of the year, to Chicago and got Al back. Al is still throwing baseballs with his right hand and chewing big black cigars with his front teeth.

RUBE BENTON.—Rube almost came into and went out of the big leagues without ever a chance to show what a whiz he could be. He was with Cincinnati so long he had to threaten to quit baseball before any one would believe he really could do extraordinary curving. His eccentricities, however, finally landed him with the Giants, where he has become a part of the temperamental gang McGraw holds in check. Benton has been the most effective southpaw in the National league this year and has been the Giants' most consistent winner.

No Action Against LaFollette Until Next Session

WASHINGTON.—The charges of seditious utterances against Senator LaFollette of Wisconsin are to be investigated by the Senate subcommittee. Five members will be named by Senator Pomerehne, chairman of the Elections Committee. First, to investigate the correctness of LaFollette's speech on September 20 at St. Paul, and second, to inquire into correctness of his statements.

The committee will then report to the full committee at the beginning of the December session. Pomerehne heads the committee.

White's Theatre Tonight

"Fires of Conscience" featuring Wm. Farnum, Gladys Brockwell and Nell Shipman is the attraction at White's Theatre tonight.
 Saturday night, the "Mystery of the Double Cross" featuring Mollie Kling, will commence. This is said to be the best serial picture ever filmed. Also Fatty Arbuckle, the favorite comedian will star in "His Wedding Night." As usual, Fatty is there with the goods. "Mutt & Jeff" animated cartoon will be shown. The last episode of "Pearl of the Abyss" will be shown.

DEATH OF MRS. MONTEIRO.

Mrs. Maria C. Monteiro died yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. L. Blow on Greene street.

Mrs. Monteiro was the daughter of Jno. S. and Mary E. Cucko, and was born in Albemarle County, Virginia. She married James M. Monteiro, who was also a Virginian. Mrs. Monteiro has lived in Greenville for a long time. She was in her 84th year. For the last twenty years or more she has been an invalid. Six weeks ago she sustained a severe fall in which one of her limbs were broken, since that time she has been confined to her bed until the day of her death. Two children survive her, Mrs. A. L. Blow of this city and Mr. Claud Monteiro of Richmond. Also a number of grandchildren.

The funeral will be conducted this afternoon at five o'clock by Rev. George Hill from the Episcopal church and the interment will take place in the adjoining church yard.

Edward Austin, who has been very ill for some weeks, is improving rapidly and will soon be out.

White's Theatre
 TONIGHT
 Friday Night
 "FIRES OF CONSCIENCE"
 featuring Wm. Farnum, et al.

Interned Germans are Transferred

CHATTANOOGA.—Under a heavily armed guard, 422 enlisted men and 13 officers of the Imperial German Navy left Fort Oglethorpe enemy internment camp today for Fort McPherson, Ga. They entrained at 8 o'clock. The transfer was veiled beneath a close escort. Forty guards with loaded pieces were stationed on the special train of ten cars over the Central of Georgia railroad.

Germans Giving up Hopeless Counters

LONDON.—The Germans have given up their hopeless counters against the newly-won British positions in the Paschaendele Ridge sector, according to Haig's report. This leaves the British in undisputed possession of the great chunk of territory won yesterday.

BLACKMAN STILL IN JAIL

A Blackman, the New York traveling man, who was lodged in jail yesterday in default of bail in the sum of \$500, has not as yet been able to produce the bond. Seen this morning by the Daily News reporter he asserted that his trouble was due to a mistake, for which he is very penitent. He stated that he expected to get out of jail this afternoon as he was expecting the cash from relatives in New York.

Want Senator Tom Hardwick Expelled

SAVANNAH.—The Greater Savannah Commercial Club voted unanimously last night to demand the expulsion of Senator Thomas W. Hardwick of Georgia from the United States Senate, because of his anti-draft stand. The action followed the repudiation by Burke and Jenkins counties of the invitation to the Georgia Senator to attend the county fairs this month.

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