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HAIG REPORTS REPULSE ENEMY ATTACK

One Corporal and Two Privates Killed By Explosion In Augusta

\$6,500 TAKEN FROM BANK AT EVERETT YESTERDAY; YEGG IS CAPTURED

PLANTERS AND MERCHANTS BANK EVERETTS, MARTIN CO., ROBBED, YEGGMEN HAVE BEEN CAPTURED

The Planters and Merchants Bank of Everette, Martin county, was looted yesterday afternoon to the amount of \$4,500 in Liberty Bonds, \$1,500 in change and \$500 in bills. The robbery took place about 3 o'clock, and was perpetrated by three men, N. I. Robinson, Chauncey Robinson and Clyde Bowen. All three within a short while after the robbery were captured and are now safely lodged in the Martin county jail at Williamston.

At the hour above stated, the three men entered the bank each having a 22 calibre rifle. At the time of their entrance the only persons in the bank were the cashier V. G. Taylor and three others.

The cashier was quickly covered by one of the robbers, and the other gentlemen underwent a similar ordeal. After this had been accomplished the third pal began to make the haul and succeeded in securing the amount above mentioned. After securing their booty the men made their escape through the back door towards the woods. As soon as the astonished cashier and the other three gentlemen in the bank could react from their fright, the alarm was given and almost immediately a posse was organized and the authorities in Williamston also notified. It was not long before ten automobiles filled with a posse arrived from that town. Search was begun at once and the woods where the three men entered surrounded.

Very soon the yeggmen were located, one of whom opened fire on the posse. The fire was returned with the result that N. I. Robinson, one of the robbers was struck in the forehead. Although his wound is serious it is thought he will recover. After their pal Robinson had been shot the other two threw up their hands and surrendered.

All of the money stolen from the bank, with the exception of about \$1,000, has been recovered and it is thought this will be before many hours. The affair has created no little excitement in that section. The Planters and Merchants Bank has a capital stock of \$10,000. V. R. Taylor is the president and V. G. Taylor, the Cashier.

FOR THE POSSESSION OF AMIENS
HIGHWAY BATTLE NOW RAGING

WITH THE FRENCH ARMIES AFIELD. — The complete checking of the German advance renders possible the compression of the stupendous enemy offensive plans, which comprise the simultaneous thrusts each along the three important highways toward the three railway, industrial and political centers.

A gigantic battle is raging between Lassigny and Moreuill for the possession of the Amiens highway. A completeness of the check between Lafere and Montdidier is now possible, as the Germans are now slackening their drive.

FRANCO-BRITISH FORCES MADE SOME PROGRESS DURING NIGHT

PARIS.—The night was relatively calm. Between the Oise and the Somme, the Franco-British forces made some progress, the French war office announces. In the region of Calonne took some prisoners, the announcement states.

Some progress was also made between Demuin and the Somme.

HAIG WIRES ENEMY REPULSED YESTERDAY AFTER SHARP FIGHT

(By The United Press)
LONDON. — Field Marshal Haig reported to the war department today as follows:

"In the neighborhood of Fampoux the enemy was repulsed yesterday at dawn after sharp fighting. A number of the German dead were left on the field and a few prisoners were taken. Fampoux is four miles east of Arras.

"Successful raids northeast of Loos and northeast of Poelcapelle resulted in the capture of prisoners and machine guns. Loos is three miles north and west of Lens. Poelcapelle is six miles northeast of Ypres, in Belgium.

"In the neighborhood of Ayette, which is now in our possession, successful local operations last night resulted in the capture of more than one hundred prisoners. Three machine guns were also taken. Ayette is ten miles south of Arras.

"In the neighborhood of Serre a few prisoners were taken yesterday. Serre is eight miles southwest of Ayette."

German Big Gun Explodes.
LONDON. — Comparative quiet continued throughout the battle front last night according to the British and French statements.

Field Marshal Haig reported the repulse of the heavy enemy attacks between Luce and Avre yesterday. The capture of a German post in the vicinity of Serre, eight miles north of Albert, is also announced.

The war office announces that the British front is quiet and there is no serious fighting on the French front.

The Paris communique mentions spirited artillery fighting, however, particularly between Lassigny and Montdidier. German attacks at Woivre and in upper Alsace regions were frustrated. The French continued shelling Laon near Haudrimont. A reconnoitering expedition brought in prisoners. These are said to have stated that one of the long range guns, used in shelling Paris, had exploded, killing five of its crew.

ENJOYABLE DANCE AT HINES' HALL HERE LAST EVENING

The young men of Greenville gave a very enjoyable Easter dance at Hines' Hall on Dickinson avenue last night in honor of the visiting young ladies and the girls home from the respective schools for Easter. The occasion, like all those given by Greenville's young men, was enjoyable and much enjoyed.

Those dancing were:

- Miss Ruth Andrews with Ernest Gorman; Miss Heardon of Durham with James Hasket; Miss Elna Tucker with Norfleet Hart; Miss Alice Fulford with Edward Foley; Miss Shaw of Texas with Charles White; Miss Mary Shaw with Robert Greene; Miss Taylor of Washington with Francis Bowen; Miss Marou Cobb of Norfolk with James Little; Miss Marshall of Norfolk with Richard King; Miss Adelaide Taft with Durwood Tucker; Miss Walwright with Ficklen Arthur; Miss Rubelle Forbes with Jack Brown; Miss Gladys Bagwell with James White; Miss Evelyn Lang with Clifton Edwards; Miss Pattie Wooten with James Brown; Miss Elizabeth Fountain of Raleigh with Mr. Lumpkin of Baltimore; Miss Amine King with Thomas Galbreath; Miss Amie L. Tyson with Roy Galbreath; Miss Myer with D. M. Clark; Miss Little of Robersonville with Allen Arthur.

Stags: Bruce Warren, Leon Kittrell, Mr. Bennett, W. L. Whitchard, Arthur Joyner, Carlton Arthur, Ralph Fleming, Jack Hunter C. Hardee, Mr. Davis, Mr. Jenkins Mr. McCormick and W. L. Lee.
Music was furnished by the Levin's orchestra of Raleigh.
There were a number of visitors from Washington, Tarboro and Farmville.

STAMP PURCHASERS

- Purchasers of War Savings and Thrift Stamps since last report:
- W. B. Tilghman.
 - Charles D. Cobb Jr.
 - W. G. Craft.
 - J. Q. Trotman.
 - Miss Margaret Cone Tucker.
 - Robert Little.
 - W. S. Dall.
 - Miss Maggie Whitchard.
 - Miss Mabel Comfort.
 - Miss Edith Quinerly.
 - Miss Agnes Cate.
 - Francis Wilson.
 - James Wilson.
 - Miss Verna Potter.
 - L. W. Cherry.
 - Mrs. Kate Whitchard.
 - C. B. Whitchard Jr.
 - Miss Mylitta M. Morris.
 - Withers Harvey.
 - Miss Mary Little.
 - R. C. Bagby.
 - Miss Maud Johnston.
 - Robert Wright.
 - Miss Catherine Perkins.
 - Miss Jennie Congleton.
 - Charles Woodward.
 - Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.

White's Theatre

TONIGHT
Show begins 8 P M (New Time)
"THE OUTCAST"
Thursday
"THE HONOR SYSTEM" featuring four big stars. (Matinee)

One Corporal and Two Privates are Killed at Augusta

(By The United Press)
AUGUSTA, Ga. — One corporal and two privates were killed, another corporal and three privates were slightly injured as a result of an accidental explosion last night in a tent of Co. F, 103 Engineers.
The dead and injured are all from Pennsylvania.

Great Stores of Bread Now Being Sent to Germany

(By The United Press)
PETROGRAD, April 2.—Trade between Ukraine and Germany is now in full blast. Great stores of bread is being transported from Kiev to Berlin. The railway is under supervision of the German Commission.
Forces of the Ukrainian Soviet in the region of Konop have retreated after inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy, who reached Sarym.

White Piano Co. Installing Booth

The Sam T. White Piano Company is today installing a double Victrola booth for the purpose of giving demonstrations to the prospective purchasers. The booth has two compartments with glass sides and finished in mahogany. It is surely a beautiful piece of furniture. The Sam T. White Piano Company are abreast of the times and are installing everything useful for the proper display of their Victrolas, pianos, etc. Their store is one of the most attractive in Greenville.

No Casualty List Given Out in U. S.

WASHINGTON. — The publication of casualty lists from the War Department has been stopped as a direct result of Secretary of War Baker's message decreeing that American headquarters news could come only from American headquarters in France.

U. S. Aviators are Doing Signal Work

ZURICH. — American aviators are now engaged in signal work on the Austrian front, according to a dispatch to the newspaper, Intransigent. The cable does not make clear whether the aviation front referred to means the Austrian forces in France or in Italy.

- Miss Lillian Hardee.
 - Burnette Fixter.
 - Miss Margaret Louise Patrick.
 - Miss Mary Effie Patrick.
 - Miss Adele Foley.
 - Joseph Foley.
 - Miss Denie Boone Hasket.
 - John W. Timberlake.
 - Miss Effie Mae Winslow.
 - Walter Howard Wilson.
 - Rev. Geo. F. Hill.
 - Miss Corinna Mial.
 - Miss Essie Marie Potter.
 - Justus Everette.
 - Burton Patrick Evans.
- COLORED PURCHASERS:
Simon Savage.
Wiley Norcott.
- PURCHASERS AT STOKES:
W. N. Simmons.
Mrs. W. N. Simmons.
Miss Lizzie Simmons.
Wm. N. Moore.
Miss Maude E. Moore.
Stewart Page.
Mm. S. Overton.
Ray Prunette.
J. B. Congleton.
Miss Lizzie Mizelle.

PEACE TALK DOES NOT INTEREST WASHINGTON AT PRESENT IS THE PLAIN ANSWER GIVEN DIPLOMATS

(By The United Press)
WASHINGTON. — Peace talk in the wake of Austro-German diplomacy near the east and Russia does not interest Washington.

This was the plain answer that was given the officials and diplomats to the belated reply of the Austrian Minister of Foreign Affairs, Count Czernin to President Wilson's last war aim's address.

Pres. Wilson, it may be said officially, feels there is no indications that either Germany or Austria is honestly desirous of establishing a basis for a just and lasting peace.

AYDEN FARMER URGES THAT ROWS BE WIDER FOR SOY BEANS

By G. A. Johnson
Just now when the farmers are laying off their rows preparing to plant their corn, let me urge upon them the necessity of making these rows sufficiently wide to admit of a row of soy beans to be planted between the corn; by so doing they will be making for themselves more food crops for all stock, a splendid money crop and at the same time increase largely the fertility of their soil.

I have known of many instances where these beans were planted between the rows of corn at the second plowing and a yield of 12 to 18 bushels was obtained, which as you see is no mean profit to be gotten out of a by product, when it did not detract at all from the corn, but on the other hand I have been told it seemed to help the growing crop and left the land very much improved for the coming crop. Then, too the harvester will waste some of the beans in gathering that will be gotten later by the stock or go to enrich the lands as the case may be. I would add also that you need have no fear of getting a fair price for all the beans you can raise this year. The bean industry is now in its infancy and every year will bring new develop-

ments in the uses of the soy bean products. Already they are being used to make an artificial milk and butter that is said to be more wholesome and nutritious than cow's milk, besides being made into a breakfast food and food for infants as well, and the one great reason why developments along commercial lines have not progressed faster is the fact that the beans in late years in spite of the increased production have ruled so high in price 'till the manufacturers could not afford to pay the price in competition with seed men.

But if the time ever comes when the price again will permit them the crop will be used largely for its oil and food value. Have no fear also this season that you cannot get these beans harvested as there is a factory now in course of construction in a nearby town that will, when completed have a capacity of five hundred to one thousand harvesters, and I have seen these in operation and know they will house this crop successfully. But plant them any way if you never harvest a one, for the stock and land will get the benefit, but if you care to save any, then your banker will probably know it when selling time rolls round.

AUSTRIAN RULER AND PEOPLE ARE NOW FAVORABLE TO PEACE DECLARES MINISTER CZERNIN

(By The United Press)
AMSTERDAM.—Count Czernin, the Austrian Foreign Minister, in addressing the Vienna Municipal Council declared, that President Wilson probably thought that Vienna was more favorable ground for the sowing of seeds for international peace than Berlin.

Count Czernin said, "Austria's ruler is favorable to peace and that fifty-five million people shared in his views." "To these people" he said, "President Wilson was devoting his activities."

TWO AND HALF MILLION MORE MEN PHYSICALLY FIT FOR U. S. ARMY

WASHINGTON. — Officials of the Provost Marshal General's office state that any increase that is desired in the American army, no matter how great, can be furnished immediately.

"We have a great reserve," they stated, "of practically two million five hundred thousand men, who are physically fit now in class one. The men are ready to be thrown into the fight on the signing of an order."