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Warring Nations Fight Hot Battle

SMALL POX INVADERS THE TOWN OF HIGHLAND

Thirteen Cases of Disease at Present—Mayor Issues Statement.

Mayor R. E. Houston of Highland has given out the following statement in regard to the small pox situation in Highland, the neighboring town on the east:

"The cotton mill district is and has been for several weeks sieged with this dreaded disease. The disease so far, has appeared in a modified form excepting one or two cases which have been very severe. I have seen and heard various statements in regard to the number of cases, and knowing that the thing has been very badly exaggerated I seek to bring about a correct report, or as nearly so as is possible under the conditions.

"We have at this time 13 cases including those outside the mill section. The list of cases is not very likely to grow much larger, as the town board has enforced compulsory vaccination and more than 165 persons have already been vaccinated.

"I would also advise all persons to be very cautious when in Highland, so that all unnecessary exposure may be avoided. Those who have not as yet known the circumstances will please take notice.

"Mr. and Mrs. Homer Killian's baby died from the effects of small pox one day last week. Their home is at Oyama.

"Let every person strive to decrease the plague, and possibly it may be destroyed within a short time."

INGLE-CLINE.

Former Hickory Boy Married in Greensboro.

Greensboro Daily News, 10th. This morning at 7 o'clock in the parlors of the Guilford hotel, Miss Gussie Mary Ingle, of Elton College, was happily wedded to Alvin Wade Cline, of Conover, Catawba county. Her brother, Prof. J. J. Ingle, of Elton College, and only a few friends were present and the ceremony was performed in the presence of Rev. J. D. Andrew, president of Catawba College.

Following the ceremony, which was the impressive ring service of the Reformed church, Mr. and Mrs. Cline left for Blowing Rock and other summer resorts in the mountains to spend 10 days. They will be at home in Ashboro after August 20.

Mrs. Cline is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James W. Ingle, of Elton College, where she was educated, and is a young woman of most estimable character. For a time she was with the Daily News and in 1913 was elected teacher of bookkeeping, shorthand and typewriting in Catawba college. It was here that Mr. Cline met her, and to complete the romance the president of the college conducted the wedding service.

Mr. Cline is associate editor and business manager of the Courier, Ashboro, and formerly was with the Hickory Democrat and the Catawba County News. He is the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Cline, of Conover, Route 3.

School Notice.

The graded schools of Hickory will open August 31, 1914. The city health regulations require all pupils to present a physician's certificate of vaccination before they can enter school. Under the compulsory attendance law all children between the ages of eight and twelve years must enter at the opening of the schools. It is very important that pupils enter at the first in order that the classes may be formed without delay. This is especially true for children who are entering school for the first time. Pupils in the first grade cannot do the work successfully unless they enter at the opening.

CHAS. M. STALEY,
Superintendent.

Invigorating to the Pale and Sickly
The standard general strengthening tonic,
GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC, drives out
malaria, enriches the blood, and builds up the system.
A true tonic. For adults and children, 50c

German and French Troops in Conflict—45,000 Reported Killed—English, French and Belgian Troops Now Block Kaiser's Way.

Paris, Aug. 9.—A great battle has been fought for the control of Muehansen, a town of 95,000 inhabitants in South Alsace, and won by France. Statements are published with reserve that the Germans lost 30,000 men and the French 15,000. The entry of the French into Alsace was an historic event. On Friday at midnight the French advance guard brigade arrived at Altkirch, a town defended by strong field works and occupied by a German brigade.

The French attacked with magnificent ardor and an infantry regiment in a furious charge carried the German trenches. There was a brisk fight at the front lines. The French bayonet charges put the Germans to flight and they retired in disorder. The second line could still have been defended, but they abandoned it and evacuated the town. A regiment of dragoons pursued the Germans in the direction of Wallheim and Tagolsheim.

For the moment attention was distracted from Belgium to Alsace Lorraine, which the French have invaded, driving the Germans back with heavy loss; and to Warsaw, the ancient capital of Poland, which the State Department at Washington reports the Germans have entered like a lightning flash from a somber sky.

Long dispatches from Berlin reveal how seriously the Germans regarded the check in Belgium. In these telegrams Germany asserts she has captured Liege. The Chancellor congratulated the Emperor. The Emperor congratulated Germany. Newspapers declared that the reports of German reverses were a pack of lies. This German report originated in Amsterdam, which said that the citadel of Liege had been captured by the Germans but not all of the forts.

This news is not believed here, all the information from British sources being that the Belgians held the victory, that a very large portion of the French army had been co-operating with the Belgians for a full 48 hours and that everything is ready in the cockpit of Europe for somebody's Waterloo.

Brussels, Aug. 9.—Belgian official reports, received by the War Office, record the important fact that a junction has been effected by Belgians, British and French troops across the line of the German advance through Belgium. The location of the three armies was not revealed but it is understood that they will act together.

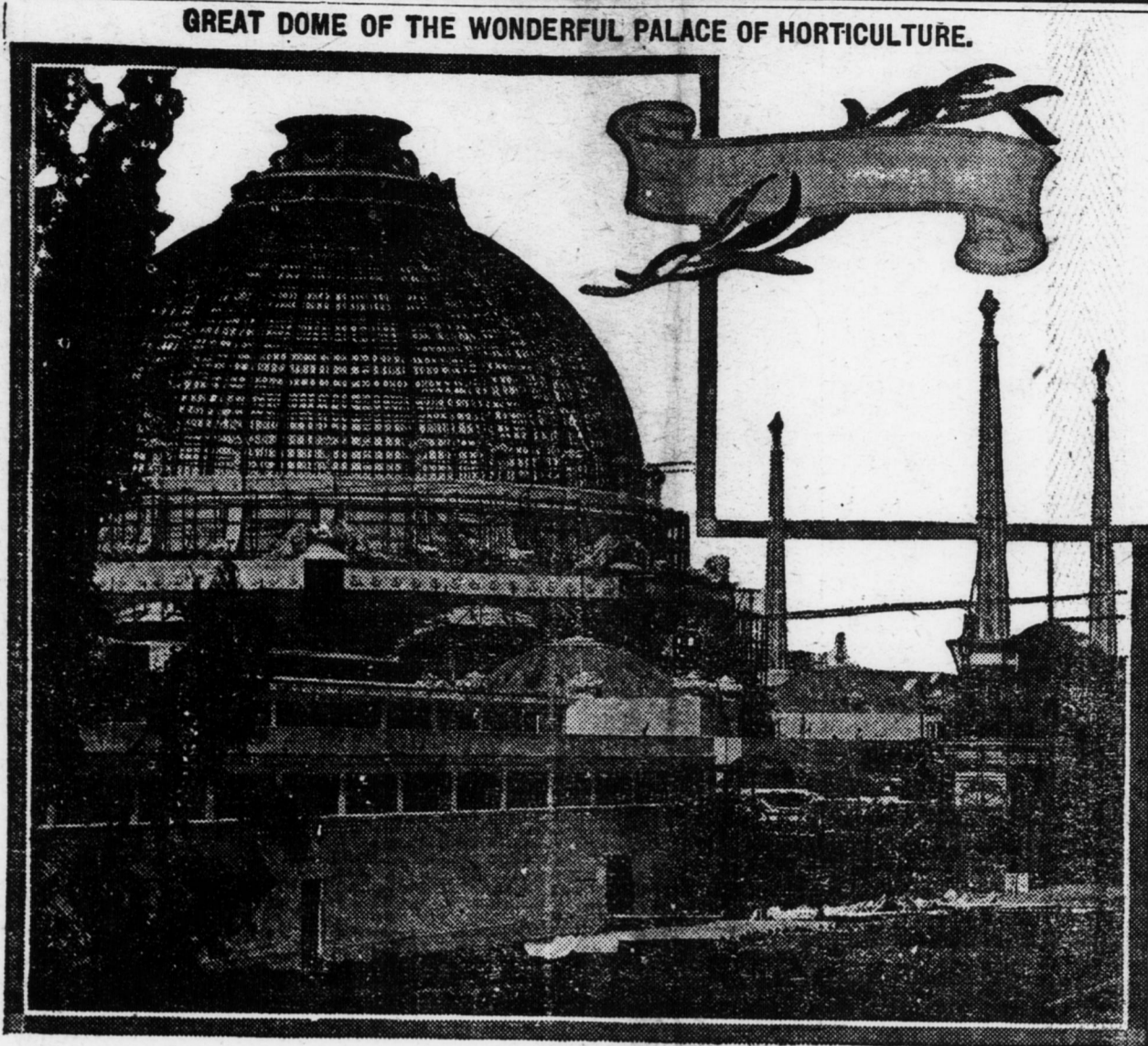
At Liege, where the Belgian garrison has presented a stubborn front to the German attackers, fighting has ceased since early yesterday morning and the Belgian troops and citizens have strengthened the city's defenses. Between the forts lines of earthworks have been thrown up by men who have worked without cessation night and day.

Reports reached here by way of London that according to announcements in Berlin, Liege had fallen into the hands of German troops.

The sighting of a German cavalry patrol to the South of Namur today is evidence of the activity of the German forces in Luxembourg, showing they were reconnoitering to discover the position of the defending armies. The retirement of German troops out of range of the guns of the forts of Liege was supposed to indicate they were concentrating and waiting for reinforcements to renew the attack.

In the meantime French troops who have crossed the frontiers of Belgium continue to advance methodically and their approach strengthens the position of the Belgian Army. When a French officer arrived at Namur in an automobile today citizens hoisted him on their shoulders and carried him through the streets.

It was reported today that the greater part of Luxembourg which had been occupied by Germans,



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A view of the Palace of Horticulture, showing completed pylon with decorative sculpture in position. The minor domes are to carry an arrangement of vines and flowers that will form a screen for the lights. The main dome is 186 feet in height and 152 feet in diameter, being the largest hemispherical dome in the world. The Panama-Pacific International Exposition will open in San Francisco in February, 1915.

NORTH CAROLINA WILL GET GOOD PART CROP FUNDS

Washington, Aug. 7.—With the most bounteous cotton crop in the history of the South promised and with other crops sufficiently plentiful to insure the farmers south of the Mason and Dixon Line good returns upon their labors, the Government of the United States is prepared to extend all the help that lies in its power to insure a proper return to the farmers of the South for the money which they have invested in their respective products.

While the Secretary of the Treasury has allotted but \$34,000,000 for the movement of crops throughout the United States he is prepared to guarantee a larger sum if the exigencies of the situation should require. While no actual figures have been given out at the Treasury Department, it is known that the South, on account of vastness of its crop area and the value of the product, especially the cotton crop, will receive perhaps half, if not more, of the total allotment distributed by Secretary McAdoo.

North Carolina will be well taken care of when the money set aside by Secretary McAdoo for the movement of the crops is apportioned. The Secretary believes in placing Government funds at his disposal where they can do the most good, and he believes that North Carolina is entitled to her just proportion, in view of the fact that her crops have been more than plentiful and her farmers entitled to special recognition.

It is true that some of the other Southern States, notably Texas, will receive a larger share of the cropmoving funds than North Carolina, but in proportion to its importance as an agricultural center and the value of its products, North Carolina will lead in the amount of money which will be disseminated by the Treasury Department in moving the bumper crops reported from every section of the country.

had been cleared of invaders by the French Army.

In the Belgian Capital, patriotism is increasing and men of all classes are volunteering.

A number of troop trains filled with French soldiers passed around Brussels during the night on the way to the front.

Two Belgian officers charged with important missions passed through the advanced lines of the Germans uninjured, although they drew the German fire.

The Belgian aviator, Alfred Lanser, was arrested on suspicion of being a spy.

In Flanders groups of women gathered all day in front of the chapels praying for the success of the Allies.

It was reported here today that German commanders hitherto have pushed to the front the regiments from Hanover and Meck-

lenburg keeping the Prussian regiments in reserve as they did in the war of 1870.

At Antwerp four German officers wearing Belgian uniforms were arrested today.

It is reported Germany has sent a new and threatening message to Belgium.

Patriotic enthusiasm reigns among all classes and thousands of volunteers have joined the young recruits called to the colors. All troops sent to the front have displayed excellent spirit while many soldiers wounded at Liege have asked to be sent to rejoin their regiments as soon as their wounds are healed.

A German officer and a number of German soldiers who surrendered to the Belgians at Liege declared they had done so because they were Socialists. They condemned the war as unjust.

The newspaper Le Soir says the Belgian town of Verviers, 14 miles east of Liege, has been completely Germanized. A German burgomaster has replaced the Belgian official, who was arrested.

Diplomatic relations between France and Austria have been broken and the ambassadors have left the capitals.

A French foreign office statement says the initiative was taken by France because Austrian troops were aiding the Germans.

The French are advancing in Alsace, but against what opposition is not known.

The Germans occupy the city of Liege, while the Belgian troops hold the forts. The Belgian official view is that the situation is quite satisfactory.

Strong forces guard all the approaches to Brussels.

The Austrians before Serbia are bombarding Belgrade, while part of the Serbian army is taking the offensive in Bosnia. The North Sea again is closed to the fishing fleets, which is regarded as significant in view of the fact that there are large British and German fleets in that water.

The German cruiser Karls Ruhe, which arrived at San Juan, Porto Rico, reported an engagement Friday night off the Bahamas with four French and British cruisers.

The French government forbids the publication of the French casualties list, so that Germans may not know the movement of the French troops.

All Germans and Austrians in Belgium must declare themselves within 24 hours, or they will be arrested as spies.

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church.

Rev. J. H. Wannemacher, pastor.
Sunday School 9:45 a. m.
Morning Service 11 a. m.
Evening Service 8 p. m.
The pastor will preach at both services.

The Luther League circle 1 meets Tuesday in the basement of the church. Mr. Arthur Huffman will lead in the program.

Mr. W. T. Lawrence, who has been in Georgia for the past nine years has returned home.

CRUISER TENNESSEE ON WAY TO EUROPE WITH GOLD

The armored cruiser Tennessee, converted for a time into a treasure ship, left New York to carry millions in gold to the many thousand Americans in want in European countries.

When the Tennessee moved out toward sea in darkness, she had on board about \$6,000,000 in gold, \$3,000,000 from the Bankers' Trust Company, \$2,750,000 appropriated by Congress and about \$300,000 entrusted to the paymasters' care by personal friends of individuals abroad.

More private funds are expected to be placed with the treasury authorities and it is likely that a second shipment of gold will be sent, probably on the cruiser North Carolina. The Tennessee's gold goes as a bulk lot of government money. The individual depositors names are not mentioned, but the delivery of the money to individual drawees who have orders from their American shippers will be made. This plan, directed by the war department, it was believed in financial circles here, is to prevent any question of American neutrality. The gold was insured against marine risks. The rate was not announced.

THE SANITARY CONDITIONS OF HICKORY.

There is much talk in regard to the sanitary conditions of Hickory and many recommendations are offered to the newspapers as to what should be done along this line. We have published all along through the spring articles in regard to the fly, and also to keeping the premises clean, and we are under the impression that Hickory is kept in as good sanitary condition as any town you can find. There has been much said about Trade Street and the condition in which it is kept. We all know that this street has not been kept as it should be, and it is impossible to keep it clean under present conditions. We have been informed that this street will be improved some time in the near future, or as soon as an agreement can be reached between the city and the property owners. We see no need of a fly discussion now other than every citizen should have his house screened between now and fly time if he has not already done so.

Heavy Firing at Liege.

London, Aug. 11, 3:05 a. m.—The correspondent of the Daily Telegraph telephones a message from Maastricht that there has been heavy firing along the line between Liege and Tongres. The Germans are placing heavy guns before Liege and Namur. A Rome dispatch to the Daily Mail says it is reported that the Montegnins have occupied Sautari.

Creamery Meeting Held Here Tuesday

North Carolina Creamery Association Organized With Mr. Curtis Bynum of Asheville, President—Southern to Furnish Dairy Cars.

The North Carolina Creamery Association met here Tuesday and elected the following officers: President, Curtis Bynum, Asheville; vice president, Marvin Blanton, Shelby; secretary and treasurer, W. J. Shuford, Hickory.

The Shelby creamery was represented by Marvin Blanton of Shelby; White Pine Creamery, Asheville, by Curtis Bynum; Mooresville Co-Operative Creamery, Mooresville, John Arey; Guilford Creamery, Greensboro, A. J. Reed, State dairyman; Catawba Co-Operative Creamery, Hickory, W. J. Shuford. In addition to these gentlemen, Howell Peoples, market agent of the freight department Southern Railway with headquarters at Washington, and J. H. McLain, representing the United States Dairy Division at Washington, were also present.

The object of the meeting aside from that of electing officers was to formulate plans to sell the butter output of the creameries of the State co-operatively and to discuss plans for advertising the butter. The creameries represented have a combined monthly production of 150,000 pounds and it is hoped to increase this by the first of January to 300,000 pounds.

Mr. Peoples stated that the Southern Railway expected to put on dairy cars over their lines at an early date. These will make weekly trips and stop at all the creameries.

Mr. Shuford stated that many people do not think North Carolina butter is good and that advertising propaganda would be furnished to prove to the most skeptical that our butter is of the finest quality. All present were decidedly optimistic of the future. The creamery business of the State is taking on wonderful growth and the outlook is very encouraging.

One Hundred German Spies at Brussels Lined up and Shot.

Brussels, Aug. 10.—via Paris 2:35 p. m.—Brussels has been covered by a net work of German spies. Six hundred already have been arrested and one hundred were shot today.

Some of the Germans captured wore uniforms of gendarmes, civic guards, soldiers and officers of the Belgian army.

Many were armed with bombs and revolvers and rode in automobiles bearing false numbers. They also had in their possession telegrams and letters with the counterfeit signature of the Belgian minister of war.

Just before and after the fighting began private signs were discovered on bridges, military works and aqueducts indicating that those structures should be blown up.

Severe precautions have now been taken by the military authorities. No one is admitted at the railway stations without a military permit. Automobiles are halted at every mile.

Take Germans as Hostages.

Paris, via London, Aug. 10, 7:25 p. m.—It is reported from Belfort that because of the execution of French subjects by Germans, seven prominent residents of the German town of Montreux-Vieux, just over the frontier, have been taken by the French as hostages.

Mrs. James Beard and niece, Miss Josie Person, have returned after spending five weeks at Edgemont Inn. They report a pleasant stay and speak in highest terms of the kindness shown them by Mr. and Mrs. Barber.

Mrs. T. L. Johnson and children, who have been visiting Mrs. F. P. Moser, will return to their home in Lumberton; Saturday, Miss Ruth Moser will accompany them.

PETER WILFONG WHITENER ANSWERS LAST ROLL CALL

Dies at Home of His Daughter, Mrs. W. C. Shell, Sunday Morning.

Early Sunday morning, Peter Wilfong Whitener, another of Catawba county's veterans of the Civil War answered the last roll call and was mustered into eternity. Some months ago he was paralyzed and since then has been in very feeble health. His death, which was not unexpected occurred at the residence of his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Shell, on Eighth St. He was 74 years and 7 months of age.

The funeral was conducted Sunday afternoon at Grace Church by his pastor, Dr. J. L. Murphy, assisted by Revs. Rowe and Kopenhaver.

He is survived by two sons, Messrs. Shuford L. Whitener, of this city, and Claude Whitener, of Lincoln county, and two daughters, Mrs. J. F. Abernethy and Mrs. W. C. Shell, of this city. He was an elder in Corinth Reformed church here and always took an active interest in church work. Dr. Murphy has been his pastor for 24 years.

In April, 1861, he enlisted in the first company organized in Catawba county, for the civil war—Co. A, 12th regiment North Carolina volunteers. In the seven days' battle around Richmond on June 27th, 1862, he was wounded. While waiting for his wounds to heal he was given a furlough, and on returning home he was married to Miss Kate Shuford. After regaining strength he returned to the war and in the battle of Gettysburg, July 1, 1863, he was so badly wounded in the knee that his leg had to be amputated, the operation being performed in Hankey's barn which at that time was used for a hospital.

He returned home November 27, 1863, and he and his faithful companion began life together on their farm on South Fork river. With industry and good management they made a success. To this union were born seven children, four daughters and three sons, of whom two sons and two daughters are still living.

About eight years ago they moved to Hickory and soon after death entered the home and took his beloved wife. Since then he has been making his home principally with his two daughters, Mrs. J. F. Abernethy and Mrs. W. C. Shell.

The Democrat extends sympathy to the bereaved children and many relatives.

Peace Treaties Come up in the Senate Today.

Washington, Aug. 10.—Peace treaties and the bill to admit foreign-built ships to American register will be before the senate when it resumes tomorrow after adjournment since Saturday.

An attempt will be made to get a vote on the shipping bill amendment to the Panama canal act as soon as the senate convenes so it may go to conference and be ready for President Wilson's signature when he returns from Georgia.

As soon as the shipping bill is passed Senator Stone, chairman of the foreign relations committee, plans to move an executive session for discussion of the twenty new peace treaties with foreign nations which President Wilson has requested ratified before adjournment.

Germans Short of Supplies.

London, Aug. 10.—Messages received here today in official quarters from the Belgian general staff assert that the occupation of the town of Liege by the Germans has not had the slightest influence on the strategic situation. It is declared that so long as the rings of forts around Liege remains intact as it still is the guns command three of the principal roads by which the German army can advance. This, it is pointed out, makes it impossible for the Germans to receive supplies or ammunition,