

# HICKORY DAILY RECORD

HICKORY, N. C., THURSDAY EVENING, MAY 10, 1917

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## ANGLO-FRENCH ARMIES CONTINUE TO ADVANCE

### British Tighten Grip on Lens and Nearly Surround Bullecourt, While French Enlarge Gains Near Laon and Bring in Another Bunch of Prisoners.

(By Associated Press.)  
While today's official reports throw little additional light on the situation around Fresnoy where the heaviest fighting occurred this week, they do reveal important gains for the British and French on other points of the line.  
London's announcement of British gains on the Somme river means a further pushing back of the German line south of Lens, tightening the hold of the nippers which the British are applying to this important industrial town and coal district.  
Further inroads also have been made upon the German positions near Bullecourt on the Hidenburg line, where the Germans, although nearly surrounded, are clinging to the town.  
Far to the south General Haig's troops have pushed eastward from Drocourt.  
The French like the British have made a general attack, but they have delivered a thrust here and there and are making headway for a fresh push. One of these attacks was carried out last night northwest of Chateau. A fortified support near Chateau was captured in this advance. The French also repulsed a German counter-attack.  
In another operation just to the west Valenciennes plateau the recent French gains were enlarged and prisoners taken from a fresh German division.  
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## NEW YORK CITY HALL PARTLY BURNED

(By the Associated Press.)  
New York, May 10.—Fire broke out early this morning in the city hall, where yesterday the French commission was received.  
The fire started in the cupola of the edifice about 12:45 o'clock and indications were that it had gained tremendous headway ten minutes later. The whole building had been wired for the entertainment.  
It was thought possible the blaze started from defective wiring.  
With nothing but the shell of the cupola and its famous old clock standing, the firemen at 1:45 o'clock announced that they had the fire under control.

## MORE HOSPITAL SHIPS ARE SUNK

(By Associated Press.)  
London, May 10.—Two further hospital ships have been torpedoed by German submarines since British airplanes raided Zweibrack. Andrew Bonar Law announced in the house of commons today.  
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## ARGENTINA AROUSED OVER SINKING SHIP

(By Associated Press.)  
Buenos Aires, May 10.—Buenos Aires papers declare that the government has positive information that the Argentine sailing ship Oriana has been sunk by a German submarine. The papers say that the incident has caused more indignation than the sinking of the Protogido and demand that the government act.

## ATTEMPT ON LIFE OF CUBAN PRESIDENT

(By Associated Press.)  
Havana, May 10.—An attempt was made last night to assassinate President Menocal of Cuba by means of a bomb explosion. Nine arrests were made before the conspirators could act.

## ONE MAN KILLED IN NAVY EXPLOSION

Philadelphia, May 10.—One man was killed and several others injured at the Philadelphia navy yards when the destroyer Allen in drydock fell against the coast guard cutter Guthrie, also in drydock.

## War Army Bill Age Limit Fixed by Conferees From 21 to 30--No Volunteers

Washington, May 10.—Conferees on the war army bill reached an agreement today and the measure will be reported back to the two houses for confirmation immediately.  
The so-called Roosevelt amendment put in by the senate permitting the president to raise four divisions in France was eliminated from the bill as was that authorizing three regiments for border patrol.  
The conferees made the age limit 21 to 30 years in place of the 21 to 25 limit in the senate bill and 21 to 25 in the house measure.  
The senate amendment prohibiting the sale of liquor at army camps and protecting the morals of soldiers was retained.  
General staff officers were much pleased at the agreement of the conferees and the total elimination of the volunteer plan from the new system. While they preferred the narrower age limit of the senate bill, as it would give a younger army, they were satisfied with the agreement.  
Senator France of Maryland, believing the bill defective because of the limited range of ages, introduced today a separate resolution giving the president the power to enroll all men between the ages of 18 and 45 for national defense. The resolution would authorize a cadet corps.

## WERE EXPECTED TO BETRAY HOMES

(By the Associated Press.)  
Amsterdam, via London, May 10.—Bitter condemnation of German-Americans is the feature of an article of a Berlin newspaper. The writer says:  
Referring to the loyal resolutions at meetings of German-American citizens, the writer says:  
"German-Americans could not betray their old mother country more shamefully, seeing that nobody will assert that the United States is endangered by Germany. The more pitiful is the cowardice with which the two billion Germans in America have apparently rallied to the president and congress."

## AMERICANS STILL HELD IN GERMANY

(By Associated Press.)  
Washington, May 10.—That 127 Americans still are held prisoners in Germany probably crews from merchantmen was revealed at the state department today. It is presumed the men were taken prisoners by a raider in the South Atlantic and carried to Germany.  
The men were held not because of their American nationality, but because they took part in armed merchantmen. Other Americans are held in Germany under nominal restraint, Germany being intent not to recognize a state of war with the United States.

## RESPIRE IS GRANTED CHARLOTTE DOCTOR

(By Associated Press.)  
Raleigh, May 10.—In order that he may make application for pardon, Governor Bickett today granted Dr. J. W. Summers of Charlotte a respite of 30 days. Dr. Summers is under sentence to serve three years in the state prison for malpractice in causing the death of a young Greensboro woman.

## KENTUCKY FARMER KILLS FOUR AND SELF

(By Associated Press.)  
Elkton, Ky., May 10.—Frank Millean, a prominent young farmer, aged 30, this morning killed his father Charles Millean, his mother and brother, Elmo Miller and his wife, a bride of three months, and then ended his life by hanging. He was supposed to have been driven to the act by brooding over the war.

## FRENCH ARE PLACED IN ZONE OF DANGER

(By the Associated Press.)  
Berlin, via Amsterdam and London, May 10.—An official statement issued today says:  
"In reprisal for the placing of a German general and 15 staff officers on French hospital ships in the Mediterranean the Germans have placed thrice this number of French officers at French industrial centers on the French front subject to aerial attacks."

## TO TRY PRICE FIXERS

(By Associated Press.)  
New York, May 10.—The trial of the five members of the Newsprint Manufacturers' Association and the two others charged with violating the Sherman anti-trust law for alleged raising of the price of print paper was fixed today.

## SCHOOL FINALS WILL BEGIN TONIGHT

The annual literary address will be delivered before the graduates of the Hickory high school tonight at 7:30 by Mr. W. A. Self and the exercises will be over in time for the children to participate in the white way parade and celebration.  
Tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock certificates will be awarded those children who have advanced from the grammar grades to the high school and tomorrow night the class exercises will be held. Mayor M. H. Yount will present diplomas.



## MEMORIAL DAY REGISTRATION IS OBSERVED IN HICKORY TO BE MADE PATRIOTIC

(By Associated Press.)  
Washington, May 10.—Many states planned to make registration day for the new army conscription the occasion for fetes and patriotic demonstrations, according to announcement by the war department today.  
The men who must register in accordance with the requirements of the law will find registration easy, says a war department statement.  
The questions will include few answers: The age, time of birth, place of birth, trade, occupation or office; employment and by whom employed; dependents if any; married or single, race, former military service, and where it was rendered, and lastly claims of exemption from service. The nationality of the citizen will be included in the registration.

## SELL GRANDIN CO. AT PUBLIC AUCTION

The property of the Grandin Lumber Company will be sold at public auction on Tuesday, June 26, by Judge W. B. Council of Hickory and Judge R. W. Winston of Raleigh, commissioners, appointed by Judge J. S. E. Boyd in federal court, in a suit in equity. The property will be advertised four weeks, but in the meantime it is believed the financial matters will be adjusted and the sale called off. The Grandin Company operates a railroad from Wilkesboro to Watauga county.

## RED CROSS MEETING TONIGHT POSTPONED

The Red Cross meeting scheduled for the Chamber of Commerce tonight has been postponed until next Thursday night. Mrs. W. B. Council, chairman, announced today. All members are urged to bear the change of meeting in mind.  
Pledges for the Red Cross ambulance already are being made, and so far \$100 has been pledged. If Hickory wants to put a car in France, with two local boys in charge, it will be required to raise \$1,000. This can be done readily, it is believed, and there are indications that it will be done shortly. Asheville already has raised one ambulance and expects to put another in the field.

## SENATOR JOSEPH B. FORAKER IS DEAD

(By the Associated Press.)  
Cincinnati, May 10.—Joseph Benson Foraker, former United States senator from Ohio, died at his home here today, aged 70 years. He had been in poor health since his retirement from the senate in 1909.  
Mr. Foraker was twice elected and likewise twice defeated for the governorship of Ohio, while he served two terms in the United States senate. He presented the name of William McKinley to the Republican convention in 1896 and 1900.

## THE WEATHER

For North Carolina: Fair tonight and Friday, little change in temperature, gentle to moderate north winds.

## PLANS FOR CELEBRATION WHITE WAY COMPLETE

### Patriotic Demonstration to Begin at 8:30 Tonight on Union Square in Honor of New Lighting System--Parade to Precede Exercises --Line of March.

Plans for the celebration of the opening of the white way tonight awaited the hour and the weather. Every detail had been arranged at noon today and the celebrants—at least that part which had no tasks to perform—marked time. Manager Stephens and his men had seen that the lights were ready for the signal, and the Merchants Association and the Chamber of Commerce committees were ready for the joyous occasion.  
Along Union square to express office.  
Swing around express office to Tenth avenue.  
East on Tenth avenue to Twelfth street.  
South of Twelfth street to Ninth avenue.  
West of Ninth avenue to underpass.  
Through underpass, and swing west of bank.  
East on Union square to speakers' stand.  
After the parade the Gastonia drum corps will give an exhibition drill, followed by the soldier boys giving a short exhibit of their skillfulness in drill and the manual of arms. For the benefit of our suburban visitors, our fire department will give a demonstration of their activity with their fire fighting apparatus. Following this the program will be in the hands of Chairman J. D. Elliott, who will introduce the speakers of the evening, while the gigantic chorus will send the red blood coursing through your veins as they render patriotic airs.  
Ex-Mayor Whitener and Mayor Yount will give short addresses, and Mr. J. B. Duke and Mr. Z. V. Taylor have written that if it is at all possible they will be on hand to represent the S. P. U. Co. The speaker of the evening will be Mr. John A. McRae, who will make a patriotic address. Mr. McRae is so well and favorably known here that he needs no introduction. Those who heard his address at the Hickory Chamber of Commerce banquet January 12, 1911, will certainly welcome the opportunity to hear him again.

The parade will form at 8 o'clock at the corner of Fifteenth street and Thirteenth avenue and proceed to the business district headed by Chief Marshal J. H. Aiken and his assistants. There will be some features of the parade that the public has not been put wise to, and those who are not down town will miss something worth while. It is hoped that all the houses in the city will be lighted so that the whole town will be white tonight. Persons with automobiles are requested to park them on the streets not required for the procession, and it is hoped that there will be the fullest cooperation in order to avoid danger and confusion.  
Mr. J. D. Elliott, president of the Chamber of Commerce, will preside over the exercises at the depot, Manager Southernland having gladly consented to turn over the platform for the speakers and singers. Two bands will add to the martial occasion, and the several scores of singers will render patriotic airs, in the singing of which the public is asked to join. The principal address will be made by Mr. John A. McRae of Charlotte.  
The Merchants Association has secured about 1,200 patriotic caps and hats and these will be worn tonight. If anybody has not secured one, it is not too late yet, probably.  
Mr. Z. V. Taylor, general manager of the Southern Public Utilities Company, will be here tonight for the celebration, as will also Vice-President Harrill, who was here much of the time the standards and globes were being erected. President Duke and Vice-President Lee had hoped to come, but Mr. Duke is in New York and found it impossible to attend.  
Undoubtedly a feature of the parade will be the Gastonia drum corps, the crack Pythian organization of that city. No military company is better drilled and it will make a display tonight. Local Pythians are responsible for its coming and a meeting will be held in the lodge room after the parade. All Pythians are invited to attend.  
Another feature will be the military company and the public will have its first opportunity of seeing the boys drill since their return from the border. Several drills have been held by Captain Lyerly's men, but on those occasions the crowds were not large. The Confederate Veterans will have the place of honor in the parade and one of these, Mr. David Miller, will be dressed in a manner to make hats come off to him.  
Juniors and Woodmen also will participate—in fact the parade, with the fraternal orders, military company, veterans, two bands school children and other marches will be worth seeing.  
The order of procession and line of march follow:  
Decorated automobile, with J. D. Elliott, chairman of the evening, and speakers.  
Decorated automobile, with mayor and city councilmen.  
Brass Band.  
Confederate Veterans.  
Company A, First N. C. Infantry.  
Ambulance.  
Red Cross Society.  
Boy Scouts with Drum Corps.  
Gastonia K. of P. Drum Corps.  
Knights of Pythias.  
Woodmen of the World.  
Jr. O. U. A. M.  
Old Fellows.  
West Hickory Brass Band.  
Lenoir College.  
Hickory Public Schools.  
Fire Department.  
Everybody fall in line.  
Line of March  
Parade form on Fifteenth street.  
From Fifteenth street to Eleventh avenue.  
Along Eleventh avenue to Union

## PROTESTS ARE MADE AGAINST REVENUE BILL

(By Associated Press.)  
Washington, May 10.—Protests against many provisions of the \$1,800,000,000 war revenue poured in by telegraph and mail today as the house prepared to consider it.  
The senate finance committee expects to conduct public hearing on the bill, and these probably will bring out strong opposition to the measure. The bill will raise the per capita tax of the American people to \$33.

## REUNION OF CHURCHES TO BE CONSIDERED

(By the Associated Press.)  
Dallas, Texas, May 10. Reunion of churches of the northern and southern branches of the Presbyterian church will come up as one of the important subjects to be decided at the meeting in Dallas May 17. The reunion sentiment has gained steadily since all the branches met in Atlanta four years ago.

## BRITISH ENGAGE 11 GERMAN VESSELS

(By Associated Press.)  
London, May 10.—A British force of light cruisers and destroyers chased 11 German destroyers today, engaging them at a long range but being unable to overtake them, says an official statement issued today.

## DIRECTORS INDICTED

(By Associated Press.)  
Pittsburgh, Pa., May 10.—Fifteen former directors of the Pittsburgh Life and Trust Company were today charged with conspiracy to defraud.

## Mayor Yount Urges People to Aid Red Cross Work in Hickory; Members Wanted

Whereas war has been declared, and a call made upon every man, woman and child in these United States, and  
Whereas, I believe that the population of Hickory and community is 100 per cent loyal to our country and our flag,  
Therefore I call upon all our people without distinction, to help and assist our president and the American Red Cross Society by enrolling themselves as members of this society between Thursday morning and Saturday night, should they feel able to do so.  
Therefore, I ask and urge all citizens who feel so disposed, to record their names on the books of enrollment, with the membership committee of the local auxiliary located within the Red Cross tent, on Union Square green. Each one can help and the aggregate of the endeavors of all will total a large sum.  
Signed,  
M. H. YOUNT, Mayor.