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AIRSHIPS AND SUBMARINES FIGURE IN DAY'S NEWS

Raid Over England Failed, but Submarine Destroyed Huge Transport--French Beat off German Counter Attacks--Other News From Theatres of War Today.

By the Associated Press.

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PRINCE UBINE IS GIVEN WARM WELCOME

By the Associated Press.

Washington, May 24.—Prince [illegible] of the Ital[illegible] formal call at [illegible] navy buildings [illegible] they were cheer[illegible] as they passed [illegible] men and wom[illegible] applauded.

BIDS ARE OPENED FOR STATE BONDS

By the Associated Press.

Raleigh, May 24.—Bids for the purchase of $[illegible] worth of road, [illegible] in bonds of the Caswell training school at Kinston and $25,000 for the state home and training school for girls and women were opened today by the public treasurer. Sale of the bond issue will be announced later.

LENOIR ALUMNI PLEDGE MORE SUPPORT

Mr. D. L. Russell was reelected president of the Lenoir College Alumnia Association at the annual meeting last evening and plans were made for a larger celebration next commencement. The classes that graduated 25, 10 and five years ago will be in charge of the celebration.

Mr. Bascom Blackwelder presided over the meeting in the absence of Mr. Russell, who was called out of town, and the alumni, gathered about on the campus for a "war banquet," pledged for further equipment for the domestic science department and other class rooms. The alumni also pledged each member to donate one volume each this year to the library.

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LEAVE STATESVILLE IN TWO STEEL CARS

In a letter to the Record Col. W. H. H. Gregory of Statesville, designated by Col. A. H. Boyden of Salisbury to command his brigade at the Confederate reunion, says that he has "arranged with the railroad company to have two cars to be filled with veterans leaving here (Statesville) Sunday 8 p. m. These are all steel, comfortable cars." The county commissioners have furnished transportation for the Catawba veterans.

The appointment of Colonel Gregory by Colonel Boyden follows:

Headquarters 1st. Brigade,
Salisbury, N. C.
Special order No. 2.

Being unable to attend the approaching reunion in Washington, I have appointed Col. W. H. H. Gregory to command my brigade. All orders issued by him will be respected.

A. H. BOYDEN,
Brigadier Gen.
1st Brigade United Confederate Veterans.

No higher compliment could be bestowed upon a veteran, who has served his country through those days of horror, and the appointment comes as a just reward of merit for the untiring effort and exertion that Col. Gregory has put forth in behalf of his colleagues.

All veterans of the state owe to him thanks for free transportation to the reunion. This idea being conceived and advocated first by Col. Gregory.

Col. Gregory was educated in a military school and seems admirably suited to fulfill the command that he has been appointed to, and we daresay that General Boyden could not have made a more wise appointment, and we know that Col. Gregory will not only gain honor for himself, but for those in his command, and the state he represents.

GLAD WELCOME FOR RETURNING FRENCH

By the Associated Press.

Paris, May 24.—Enormous crowds cheering tumultuously welcomed the French mission on its return from America today.

After the official reception was over M. Viviani, head of the mission said:

"I told President Wilson how deeply touched I was by the manifestations of sympathy by the people of the United States. The president replied simply:

" 'We are brothers in the same cause.' "

Huge British Transport Transylvania Sunk With Loss of 413---New Liner

By the Associated Press.

London, May 24.—The British transport Transylvania was torpedoed on May 4 with the loss of 413 persons.

The Transylvania was torpedoed in the Mediterranean. The official statement says:

"The British transport Transylvania with troops aboard was torpedoed in the Mediterranean on May 4.

"Twenty-nine officers and 373 of other ranks; also the ship's captain and one officer and nine men of the crew."

The Transylvania, an Anchor Line steamship of 14,315 tons gross, has been in the service of the British government since May, 1915, when her sailings were cancelled. There have been no reports of her movements in recent months.

The Transylvania was built in 1914. She was constructed especially for passenger traffic between New York and Liverpool. She was 528 feet long and had accommodations for 3,250 passengers.

SOUTHERN MAY DISCONTINUE TRAINS

By the Associated Press.

Raleigh, May 24.—The Southern Railway today filed with the corporation commission application to amend its schedules of trains wholly or within parts of North Carolina. The railroad asked for permission to operate two passenger trains as mixed trains and to discontinue 16 passenger trains. Officials announced yesterday that discontinuance of trains was to release men, conserve coal, and place the road in position to transport soldiers for the government.

WAR REVENUE BILL HAS PASSED HOUSE

Washington, May 24.— The war revenue bil, framed to bring into the treasury $1,800,000,000 through new taxation during the coming year, passed the house by a vote of 329 to 76 late yesterday in almost the same form that it was presented by the ways and means committee two weeks ago.

All the opposing votes were cast by Republicans, although there are many members on the Democratic side strongly opposed to certain sections of the measure. Virtually redrafting of the bill in the senate is regarded as certain. Material changes already are contemplated by the senate finance committee as a result of public hearings held during the long debate in the house. Final passage of the bill probably cannot be accomplished in less than a month.

Outstanding features of the bill are the greatly increased income, inheritance, excess profits, liquor and cigar and tobacco taxes, virtually abolition of the present customs free list and a 10 per cent addition to existing tariffs, new taxes on manufacturers, amusements, clubs, public utilities and insurance, a far-reaching stamp tax, and a greatly increased mail matter rate based on the parcel post zone system.

In only four particulars does the measure now differ substantially from the original draft. Surtaxes on incomes above $40,000 have been increased about one-fourth above the committee schedule. Several articles including print paper and pulp and gold and silver, slated for a 10 per cent duty, have been kept on the free list. Slight reductions in the second-class mail matter rate have been made. A proposed five per cent tax on all advertising except newspaper and perodical is eliminated.

Attacks on the bill in the senate will center around the excess profits, income and manufacturers' taxes and the second-class mail rate increase sections. Business men generally are protesting vigorously against the taxes, and virtually every publisher in the country is opposing the drastically increased mail rate.

In a final effort to summon all of his party votes to support the measure, Democratic Leader Kitchin declared that he had been informed personally by President Wilson today that he did not desire changes in the bill in the senate, as had been currently reported. Mr. Kitchin also appealed earnestly to all members to supply the president with money to carry on the war, now that the country is in it.

"I would feel like a miserable coward" he said, "to impose a burden on my children and my children's children to pay for something for which they were not responsible, and yet refuse to take out of my pockets money for my share of the burden."

MR. MILLER HERE

Mr. H. W. Miller, vice-president of the Southern Railway System and the Carolina and North-Western and Col. L. T. Nichols, vice-president and manager of the latter, were in Hickory today on their way to Lenoir. Mr. Miller was carried over the city by Mr. J. A. Martin. He expects to return tomorrow.

NAMES COMMITTEE TO CONFER ON UNION

By the Associated Press.

Birmingham, May 24.—The general assembly of the Presbyterian church in the United States decided today to appoint a committee to confer with a like committee from the northern branch to consider organic union.

NO PARDON FOR GULLEDGE

By the Associated Press.

Raleigh. May 24.—Governor Bickett today declined to grant a pardon to John W. Gulledge, former president of the Savings Bank of Wadesboro, charged with misappropriating funds.

MUST CONSIDER BEFORE

By the Associated Press.

Birmingham, May 24.—The question of a soldier being under age when advantage is not taken previously to enlistment cannot be raised. according to a decision handed down here today by the judge of the northern Alabama district.

EVEN CONVICTS REQUIRED TO REGISTER

By the Associated Press.

Washington, May 24.—Emphasis was laid by Provost Marshal Crowder on the fact that no man within the prescribed aged limit except those in the regular trmy, navy or national guard or in federal service of the naval division are excused from registering.

"Even convicts and alien enemies are required to register," says a statement issued today, adding, however, that those registering should not confuse registration with actual service in the army. The statement adds that the registration will furnish those who believe they should be exempt a chance to submit their claims. The drafted men will be drawn by lot, the "fairest method possible," the statement says.

FATAL SHOOTING IN ROBBERY OF BANK

By the Associated Press.

Ardmore, Okla., May 24.—As a result of an attempt of three bandits to rob the First State Bank at Tulsa, Okla., today one of the robbers was shot and killed and a bank officer and two robbers are dying.

YOUNG DENTIST TO DIE IN NEW YORK

By the Associated Press.

Ossining, N. Y., May 24.—Within three days of the first aniversary of his conviction, Dr. Arthur Warren Waite, a young dentist, will die in the electric chair in the Sing-Sing prison at 11:01 tonight for the murder of his wealthy father-in-law, John M. Peckk of Detroit.

FORMER QUEEN DEAD

By the Associated Press.

Algiers, via Paris, May 24.—Former Queen Ranavalona of Madagascar is dead at her home here.

Queen Ranavalona had been living in exile in Algiers since 1896 when she was deposed by the French following anti-Christian outbreaks. She became ruler in 1883. The Island was at that time a French protectorate. but the native government was overthrown in 1896.

It was during the French campaigns in Madgascar that Marshal Joffre first made his mark

By the Associated Press.

London, May 24.—Pronounced German naval activity in the Baltic on Tuesday is reported in a Central News dispatch from Copenhagen. Yesterday a violent cannonade which lasted throughout the night occurred.

MARKETS

CHICAGO WHEAT

By the Associated Press.

Chicago, May 24.—Bearish crop reports acted as a weight today on wheat market. Opening prices, with July at 2.25 and Stptember at 2.00, were followed by a little rally but then by a sag all around.

By the Associated Press.

	Open	Close
May	21.00	21.50
July	20.88	21.08
October	20.50	20.79
December	21.61	20.88
January	20.63	20.90

HICKORY MARKETS

Cotton	20 1-2
Wheat	$2.80

COTTON FUTURES

By the Associated Press.

New York, May 24.—The cotton market was rather nervous today. There also was some scattering offerings and the opening was lower. The offerings were well taken at the decline, with July selling up to 21.00 and October to 20.53 before the end of the first hour.

THE WEATHER

For North Carolina: Fair tonight slightly warmer in west and central portions. Friday fair and warmer gentle to moderate shifting winds.

STOLE DIAMOND VALUED AT $8,000

By the Associated Press.

Raleigh. May 24.—Governor Bickett today honored a requisition for the extradition of James Reavis and Edgar Wills, two Henderson negroes, wanted in connection with the disappearance of a diamond valued at $8,000. The jewelry was recovered by Hendersonville officers before the arrival of New Jersey authorities. It is understood that Chief of Police Smith of Henderson will receive a large reward. There were 58 diamonds in the pendant.

GOVERNOR DELIVERS DAVENPORT ADDRESS

Lenoir, May 24.—With the annual literary address yesterday morning at 10:30 o'clock by Governor Bickett, the 1917 commencement exercises of Davenport College were concluded. All the features of the commencement this year have been of an unusual high order and the large audiences have been given a bill of fare that was entertaining, instructive and edifying.

The annual sermon, by Bishop Collins Denny, D. D. LL. D., of Richmond. Va., on Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock was by unanimous consent, equal if not superior to any sermon ever delivered at a commencement here, many pronouncing it the best ever heard. Taking as the basis of his remarks the first eighteen verses of the twentieth chapter of St. John, which relates the account of the early appearance of Mary Magdalene at the sepulchre on the morning of the Resurrection, Bishop Denny drew many wholesome and scholarly lessons from the love of Mary as manifested toward her Master.

The final concert on Tuesday evening drew many music lovers to the college and their efforts were well repaid by the many splendid selections, consisting of choruses, vocal and pianos, solos, duos, trios, quartest, and extets. The program was nearly two hours long and drew applause equal to its length.

Yesterday morning at 9:30 o'clock the simple but impressive graduating exercises were held. President Craven presented diplomas to the following graduates: Cecil Maurice Brawley, Callie Givens Hyatt, Glennie Lee Rogers, Julia Ethel Ervin, Gladys Lawrence, Della Madison Wilson and Annie Selena Wilson. The following were presented with certificates: Piano—Emma Marjorie Barnhill, Virginia Prue Heafner, Clara Naomi Hinson. Mary Magdaleane Rhodes, Annie Mae Mock, Jennie Hamrick Troutman. Art.—Eddie Phillips Kerley, Virginia Dare Phillips, Velma Grey Rivers. Piano and art—Lee Ellen Wells. Domestic science---Nellie Odessa Rice, Flora Eloise Fain. Voice— Ruth Ardella Yaraborough.

As Governor Bickett, President Craven and a number of the members of the board of trustees entere the hall, the large Davenport chorus, looking enchanting as only a feminine array can at commencement times, arose and sang "Carolina," and then with almost deafening applause came the "Star Spangled Banner," with each young lady waving an American uag.

"Woman Beautiful" was the governor's subject. Literature of many centuries back was searched by him, and such well known poets as Robert Burns, Milton, Wordsworth, and even North Carolina's own poet, John Charles McNeill, were frequently quoted from in order to show that all nature intended woman to be beautiful and that man demands it. "Ugliness is a preventable disease," said Mr. Bickett, "and belongs in the category with typhoid fever, tuberculosis and other kindred diseases. Walk over these hills every day and catch the ozone that is worth a carload of medicine. Take ten hours sleep every night and the next morning when you come down to breakfast you will make any son of Adam feel like he has been hit with a bolt of sweetened lightning."

ENDOWMENT FUND NOW TOTALS $42,000

Dr. R. L. Fritz, president of Lenoir College, has succeeded in receiving cash and pledges amounting to $42,000 for the endowment of the institution and expects the sum from the various congregations of the Lutheran church to mount up to $45,000 when the canvass ends the last of June. Dr. Fritz will make his final report to the synod on September 26 and by that time he is hopeful of having the full amount $100,000, pledged.

By the Associated Press.

New York, May 24.—United States Steel commons sold at the highest price in its history on the stock exchange this afternoon, touching 130. Other groups were at the highest levels of the year. Rails were irregular.

Private Edney Ridge and Mrs. Ridge of Greensboro have arrived in Hickory, where Mr. Ridge will act as clerk at the local recruiting office.

BRAZIL READY TO DEFEND RIGHTS, MINISTER INSISTS

Will Not Declare War on Germany, Which Has Made War on All Neutrals, He Says---Urges Cooperation With United States in Any Action.

By the Associated Press.

Rio Janeiro, May 24.—The Brazilian foreign minister declared in the council of ministers, according to newspapers, that it was not necessary for Brazil to declare war on Germany. because she had been virtually forced into war by circumstances. He said that the torpedoing of another ship did not essentially alter the situation.

The minister said that in regard to cooperation between Brazil and the United States, the government should devote its entire attention to military and naval operations, especially in regard to the policing of the South Atlantic After the meeting of the council he was asked as to whether Brazil would declare war on Germany. He said:

"Brazil declares war on nobody. She defends herself. It is Germany which declares war on all neutrals."

The minister will send to the chamber of deputies and to the senate today the result of inquiries into the sinking of the ship. He will also furnish dispatches that passed between Brazil and Germany.

RED CROSS PLANS GIANT WAR RELIEF

By the Associated Press.

Washington, May 24.—The new Red Cross war council began its first conference here today making plans for the new $100,000,000 war relief fund. Representatives from many cities were present.

The $100,000,000 fund under the plan is to be used not only for relief of Americans but for all people in the war zone.

FINALS AT CATAWBA; HOEY IS SPEAKER

Newton, May 24.—Clyde R. Hoey of Shelby yesterday afternoon delivered the annual literary address at the Catawba College commencement. discussing "Citizenship," its duties and its obligations. Speaking largely of the war, he pointed out that America is the only nation involved that has no sort of selfish interest at stake, the only nation that is fighting solely for an ideal—the ideal of the rights of man. England and France, to be sure, were battling for the liberty of the people, but their stake in the war was not unstripped of other considerations.

He said that for his part he was glad America had entered the war. It would burn out the dross from the national life. We had found the priceless boon of free institutions ready to our hand, said he; we did not properly appreciate them. Other generations had sacrificed themselves for these institutions, and as citizens it was incumbent upon us to pass them on to succeeding generations to suffer as the fathers had suffered for the sake of liberty. He declared he doubted seriously, if ever the boys to be drafted would see France.

In speaking of Japan, he advocated the cession of the Philippines to that country. She needed them—we found them a burden. He viewed the war as a blessing to America, because it would revive the national spirit, make the fires of patriotism burn brighter, and would leave us with an army and navy and preparations for anything in the future.

The graduating exercises at the college were held in the forenoon Diplomas were given to Misses Dorothy Ervin, Bessie Herman, Edna Sherrill, Sara Witherspoon. Lois Yelton and Russell Whitener. Special graduates were iMsses Mary Lowrance, Ora Belle Travis, and Dennice Yelton.

BEAN BALLS ARE AGAINST BALL LAW

By the Associated Press.

Chicago, May 24.—The dangerous and "highly unsportsmanlike bean ball" was legislated out of existence here today by the national commission. It is a ball thrown directly at the batsman's head to shake his nerve. Pitchers proved guilty will be expelled from organized baseball.

AIRSHIPS MAKE RAID OVER ENGLAND

By the Associated Press.

London, May 24.m Four or five German airships raided the eastern counties of England last night, according to an official statement issued this morning. The airships dropped bombs and escaped, although pursued. The statement says one man was killed. The damage was immaterial.

SOLDIERS TO DRAW $30 MONTH NOW

Sergeant Roy Black, in charge of the United States regular army recruiting station here, has just been officially notified that the pay of privates who enlist at this time for the present war will be $30 a month to start with, with chances of promotion, beginning with June 1st All expenses such as clothing, medical attention, rations and quarters are furnished to the soldier by the government free All enlistments made now in the regular army are made for the present emergency and men will be discharged at the end of the war, if they so desire.

There are many vacancies in the engineer corps of the regular army now for skilled workmen and clerks and special efforts are being made by the authorities to enlist for this branch of the service some desirable men from this section of the country.

A number of boys from Hickory and surrounding territory have joined the regular amy in the past few months and Sergeant Black has received a number of letters from the boys who are getting along fine. A number are at Fort Screven, Ga., and several are not at Fort Thomas Ky. All men who enlist now will be sent from here to Fort Thomas, Ky., near Cincinati, O.

Italians Break Through Austrian Lines and Take More Than 9,000 Prisoners

By the Associated Press.

Rome, May 24.—The Italian forces yesterday broke through the Austro-Hungarian lines from Castignavazza to the sea, taking more than 9,000 prisoners says an official statement issued by the Italian war office today.

Italian airplanes numbering 130 dropped 10 tons of bombs on the Austro-Hungarians. The British artillery cooperated successfully.

BRITISH REPORT

By the Associated Press.

London, May 24.—The Italian offensive has entered into its second stage with new and important gains between Gorizia and the sea, said Major General F. B. Maurice to the Associated Press today. The first day of the new drive has resulted in the capture of more than 3,000 prisoners.

General Maurice said all the objectives of the Italians had been gained and that details would be given in the Italian communication later.

FRENCH LINER SUNK

By the Associated Press.

Paris, May 24. It is officially announced that the French liner Sontay, bound for Marseilles from Saloniki with 344 passengers was torpedoed on May 14.