

HICKORY DAILY RECORD

GERMANS FAILED BADLY TO WIPE OUT SALIENT

British Hold Practically all Gains in Spite of Serious Fighting Past Three Days—American Engineers Safe After Being Caught in Trap.

By the Associated Press. The Germans are retaining bit by bit the salient which they captured last Friday in the sector between the village LaVaque, now characterized as a salient, and the British line. The British army except in the northern side of the salient, having remained in its position. It is on the northern side that the British have been able to effect their recapture of the salient. Last night they wiped out the gains of the German gain in the sector most deeply penetrated by the Germans. They also made good their hold on the village LaVaque, having repulsed German attacks.

The British have taken a portion of the position on the high ground southwest of the salient, which had been captured by the Germans. The British have recaptured by them the salient.

The British claim the capture of the salient within the last few days, together with 100 guns. When German efforts to wipe out the salient before Cambrai have failed, the British have succeeded for three days all attempts to break through.

After the capture of the salient, the British have taken heavy losses in the sector west of Cambrai. The British have evacuated the salient.

The Germans have suffered heavy losses in the sector west of Cambrai. The British have taken many prisoners.

The British are aiding the British in withstanding the enemy attacks. Several were captured, but later escaped.

The British have captured 45 buildings and German strong points on the main ridge north of Passchendaele. Elsewhere on the western front the artillery continues active. The German crown prince has not repeated his attacks in the Verdun region.

On most of the Italian front the infantry remains inactive, while the artillery is engaged in bombardments along the Piave river.

While the bolshevik representatives entered the German lines Sunday and began negotiations with the Germans, nothing has yet been reported of their mission. The bolshevik leader, Trotzky, has warned the allied diplomats in Petrograd that his government will not permit them to interfere in the internal affairs of Russia.

The demobilization of the Russian army by the bolshevik is reported to have begun. The Russian provisional government has reappeared and issued a manifesto insisting it is the only legal authority. It urges the people to disobey the decrees of the bolshevik.

American engineers operating and building railroads within the British lines near Gouzeaucourt, west south-west of Fosseulieu, were caught in the first rush of the German attack. Many sought shelter in shell holes, from which they were rescued by British counter attacks, the engineer-

HUGE BUDGET FOR MR. ROWE WILL BOTH HOUSES ARE CONGRESS HAS CONVENED

ARMY-NAVY BE PASTOR IN DETERMINED FOR IMPORTANT SESSION TO WIN

President Will Deliver Customary Address in House Tomorrow Before Both Branches. Will Be Keynote for Present Session, Which Has Many Problems.

By the Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 3.—A war budget of more than \$11,000,000,000 to pay army and navy costs during the fiscal year 1919 faced congress today when the budget was presented. The budget includes only an estimate of the war expenses and is more than \$2,500,000 larger than similar appropriations made for the year 1917-1918. So far as the estimates show it provides only for raising and maintaining an army of 1,500,000 men and carrying out navy and coast fortifications projects already provided for.

TRIED TO PREVENT HER GIRL FROM RUNNING OFF

Emma Barber, a colored woman who lives in south Hickory, entered a vigorous but fruitless objection Sunday to her daughter's eloping with a negro connected with the carnival that was here last week, and the mother contested the point until the daughter had boarded the train and left. The daughter was intent on going off with her true love, and in the scuffle at the depot Sunday slapped her mother in the face. The girl is said to have boarded the train without her suit case.

THIRTEEN CONVICTS ESCAPE FROM PRISON

Joliet, Ills., Dec. 3.—Thirteen convicts escaped from the state penitentiary here early today by breaking through steel doors and beating two guards into unconsciousness.

MISS LITTLE AWARDED CUP

The Charlotte Observer of Saturday gave this account of the close of Governor Bickett's address to the Teachers' Assembly, which will be a matter of interest and pride to Hickory people. It is planned to have several numbers from Miss Little's song cycle given at the district meeting, North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, which will be held in the spring:

The concluding feature of the program was the presentation by Governor Bickett of the Shirley loving cup to Miss Alla Pearl Little, of Hickory, for the best musical composition for the year 1917. The cup last year was won by Gustav Hagerdorn.

Miss Little's composition is a song cycle in five parts, entitled "Heart of Nature." (a) Be ye in love with April Tide; (b) Oriole and Poet; (c) Wood Flowers; (d) Sun-down; (e) June Days.

Governor Bickett expressed the hope that Miss Little would find in the silver cup inspiration for a "Song of Love" to replace the "Hymn of Hate." Her acceptance of the cup was in happy vein, and was cordially applauded by her audience. She said that her conception of music was that it was to enoble and enrich life, and that if she could do anything to spread the gospel of joy through the medium of music it would make her happy indeed.

MOLLIE KING AT PASTIME

Don't forget to see Mollie King in the "Mystery of the Double Cross" at Pastime today, 14th episode.

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W. C. T. U. CONVENTION BEGINS ITS SESSION

By the Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 3.—Patriotic service committee reports and the address of the president, Mrs. Anna Borden, engaged the attention here today of the nearly 1,000 delegates to the annual Women's Christian Temperance Union convention.

BE PASTOR IN HICKORY

The Rev. Walter W. Rowe, pastor of Grace Reformed church of Newton, Sunday was called to the pastorate of Corinth Reformed church in Hickory to succeed the late Dr. Jos. L. Murphy and Mr. Rowe will begin his duties about January 1.

The election occurred at the close of the morning service Sunday and Mr. Rowe was notified in the afternoon by Mr. J. W. Warlick, secretary of the church. Rev. W. H. McNairy, who preached for this congregation, presided over the meeting and the election was practically unanimous.

Mr. Rowe is a native of Hickory and was reared in this church, most of the time under Dr. Murphy, who gave him his inspiration for his noble calling, and who was as a father to him as long as the two worked together. Mr. Rowe was educated by the late Professor Meade and his collegiate training was at Rutherford and Lenoir colleges and his ministerial training at a R-formed theological seminary in Pennsylvania.

Mr. Rowe has been pastor of Grace Reformed church at Newton for the past 10 years, going there from Rockwell, his first charge, which he held for a few years before being called to the larger work at Newton. He is not only one of the ablest ministers in the state, but he is consecrated to his master and devoted to the people of this community, of whom he always has been one.

Next to Dr. Murphy, who was so generally beloved by all the people of this section, Mr. Rowe is the most popular minister in the Reformed church. Gentle in his manners, highly educated, strong intellectually, forceful as a pulpit orator and intensely interested not only in the welfare of the people of his church but of all the people in this community, with many of whom he was reared, Mr. Rowe will make a strong leader.

Mrs. Rowe will make a strong leader, also being called to the larger work at Newton. He is not only one of the ablest ministers in the state, but he is consecrated to his master and devoted to the people of this community, of whom he always has been one.

Regardless of denomination, the people of Hickory will accord to Mr. and Mrs. Rowe a sincere welcome, and will give them hearty cooperation in their work.

INSURANCE COMPANY BUYS 10,000 SEALS

In transmitting the check of the Company to Mrs. James R. Young, chairman of the Red Cross seal committee in Greensboro, Mr. C. Taylor secretary of the company, has the following to say:

"I know of no more worthy cause to which any man or corporation can contribute than the work in which you are engaged now, namely, the sale of Red Cross seal stamps. 'Self-preservation is the first law of nature, and in view of the fact that 75 per cent of the sales of these stamps will be kept in the county of Guilford to fight tuberculosis, it should commend itself to every individual and business corporation should purchase as many as possible. I am, therefore, pleased to hand you the Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Company's check for \$100, purchasing 10,000 of these stamps."

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WEATHER FORECAST

For North Carolina: Probably rain late tonight and on Tuesday. Warmer tonight in northeast portion; colder in west portion Tuesday; light southwest to west winds.

DETERMINED TO WIN

By the Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 3.—Congress reassembled today, but did little more than go through the formalities of the opening. The work actually begins when President Wilson in his address tomorrow outlines his program.

Estimates of more than \$13,000,000,000—the greatest in the nation's history submitted to congress today—gave congress some idea of its task in putting its full weight into the war.

In the senate today were Sir George Reid, former President of Australia was a distinguished guest, the session lasted long enough to appoint a committee to notify the president of its readiness to hear him.

The house session was taken up with swearing in the new members and the calling of the role by states.

In both houses there was a pronounced air of confidence and determination to do everything to bring the war to a victorious end.

PRaise SERVICE HELD AT BAPTIST CHURCH

A large audience gathered at the First Baptist church Sunday afternoon to hear former Governor Malcolm R. Patterson of Tennessee, who was expected to deliver an address. It was an error about the date, Mr. Patterson desiring to deliver a speech here in the near future and the message to Rev. J. G. Garth not being quite clear. The various churches were notified at the morning service, and hundreds responded. Governor Patterson will speak here in January.

Although the Tennessee did not come, the service was notable regardless. Mr. Garth presided and made a short address. The meetings, in which everybody joined, and Rev. R. M. Courtney, the new pastor of the First Methodist church, was introduced. He spoke without preparation, but made a splendid impression on the audience, many of whom said later they enjoyed the service as much as if Mr. Patterson had come.

This meeting brought the various people together and it was worth while. Incidentally it was a fitting introduction to Mr. Courtney, Mr. Stanford's successor.

GIVEN SIXTY DAYS FOR HELPING FRIEND

Pink Reinhardt drew 60 days on the roads in recorder's court today for showing his friendship for Jim Warlick—at least that is the way it looked to Pink, who appealed.

It happened at a frolic in south Hickory Saturday night. Jim had a pistol and a few drinks. Chief Lentz was sent for and Jim quietly sat himself down on the steps and unloosed a pint bottle and a pearl-handled pistol, witnesses said, depositing the gun where it would be least obvious. Pink came along, sidled up to the weapon and placed it in his pocket. It was contended, and this is the view Recorder Russell took of the matter.

Jim was fined \$10 for being drunk and \$75 for having the pistol. Pink was not drunk. There was another sober one in the crowd too—Ralph Host, a witness, who declared that "I have about quit now."

TWO COPPER STILLS CAPTURED SUNDAY

Deputy Collector P. P. Jones and Posseman C. A. Moser Sunday brought in two 35-gallon copper stills which they located in the bushes about 10 and 15 miles southwest of Hickory. Neither was in operation and the worms could not be found.

HICKORY MARKETS

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Wheat	22	40

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TO FOLLOW PRESIDENT

General, miscellaneous legislation is to come immediately before congress, possibly including some measures affecting this country's course in the war in view of widespread sentiment among returning members for declarations of war against Germany's allies, Austria-Hungary, Turkey and Bulgaria. Congress is expected, however to follow the views of the president in this respect.

APPROPRIATION MEASURES

Appropriation measures will require much time. Fourteen general and probably several special supply bills for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1918, as well as estimates of additional money for present war needs, are to be considered, probably immediately after New Year's. Two bills, the legislative, executive and judicial and District of Columbia measures, already are under preparation.

WAR REVENUE LEGISLATION

With \$21,390,000,000 already appropriated for the present fiscal year's needs, many members believe that, with forthcoming appropriations, the fifty-billion-dollar mark may be reached for two years of war.

SOME POLITICS, TOO

Political affairs will come in for much consideration during the session, with considerable speech-making, in view of general congressional elections next fall at which thirty-two senators, nineteen Democrats and thirteen Republicans and the entire House membership are to be chosen. Many members believe political campaign necessities may shorten the session.

THE DEMOCRATS START THE SESSION

The Democrats start the session in control of both senate and house with 52 Democratic senators against 43 Republicans, with one seat—Senator Husting's vacant. In the house the Democrats have 216 members, the Republicans 213, with five independents and one seat vacant.

SEVERAL NEW MEMBERS JOINED THE HOUSE TODAY

Representative Lufkin, Republican of the sixth Massachusetts district succeeding Augustus P. Gardner, Republican, who resigned; Representative Deshlin, Democrat of the twenty-eighth Pennsylvania district, succeeding former Representative Blackley, Republican, who resigned, and Representative Merritt, Republican of the fourth Connecticut, succeeding Representative Ebenezer Hill, Republican, deceased.

IMPORTANT WAR LEGISLATION EXPECTED TO COME BEFORE THE PRESENT SESSION

Important war legislation expected to come before the present session includes measures to give the president further authority, especially over enemy aliens; Senator Chamberlain's bill for universal military training, and measures to meet labor conditions.

SUFFRAGE QUESTION

Chief among domestic concerns are prohibition and woman suffrage. Senator Sheppard's proposed constitutional amendment, whose submission was approved August 1 by the senate 65 to 20, will be pressed in the house, while both bodies will be urged to approve submission of the so-called Susan B. Anthony amendment for equal suffrage, which has been favorably reported to the senate calendar. Speaker Clark soon will appoint a chairman for the new, special house committee on woman suffrage.

IMPORTANT GENERAL LEGISLATION PENDING BECAUSE OF ITS EXCLUSION FROM THE LAST SPECIAL WAR SESSION

Webb bill permitting exporters to combine in foreign trade, which has twice passed the house and is the senate's unfinished business. The Shield's waterpower development bill; the Walsh-Pittman oil and coal land leasing measure, and the Colombian duty, proposing payment of \$25,000 to Colombia.

THE ADMINISTRATION SOLDIERS AND SAILORS CIVIL RIGHTS BILL

The administration soldiers and sailors civil rights bill, which passed the house last session but failed to get through the senate, soon will be taken up by the senate judiciary committee. It operates in the nature of moratorium, suspending court process against members of the American military forces.

OTHER LEGISLATION

Creation of a congressional committee to supervise war expenditures, which President Wilson prevented during the last session, will be urged by Senator Weeks of Massachusetts and other Republicans. The proposal of Chairman Fitzgerald of the house appropriations committee for a single committee to control war appropriations also is pending.

CLOSED SCRUTINY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND DEPARTMENTAL ESTIMATES

during the present session is generally predicted, with efforts to prevent extravagance while at the same time providing adequate funds for war needs.

SPECTACULAR FEATURES DURING THE SESSION

are regarded as possible developments from the agitation against Senator LaFollette and others because of their opposition to some war legislation. He and Senator Hardwick of Georgia have announced their intention to seek repeal of the draft law, while Senators LaFollette and Sherman of Illinois have peace resolutions pending before the senate foreign relations committee.

WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS PRESIDENT WILSON IS EXPECTED TO SEND TO THE SENATE NOMINATIONS OF MANY MILITARY AND CIVIL OFFICERS

appointed during the recess or who failed of confirmation at the last session.

State Springs Surprise in Means Trial on Defense; Move Was Not Expected

By the Associated Press. Hickory, N. C., Dec. 3.—At 11:34 a. m. today the state rested its case in the trial of Gaston B. Means for the murder of Mrs. Maud A. King, who was killed on the night of August 29 near here.

The expected move by the state was the defense completely by surprise. Not a witness for the state had been examined during the hearing which was given over to the jury numerous letters, programs and other papers pertaining to the case last summer to his wife and brother, Afon Means, the state sought to show today that Means "played a game" of duplicity with Mrs. King during the last few months of her life, taking various precautions to keep her in the dark concerning his movements.

Other documents read before the jury by John T. Dooling were intended to show his dual role.

One document was placed in evidence to show that Mrs. Julia P. Means, wife of the defendant, had given him power of attorney for her. It showed that Means had deposited money to her account.

The action of the state brought the biggest surprise of the trial. The first witness for the defense was Jim Simpson of the undertaking establishment here, which prepared

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the body. L. G. Weddington, the undertaker who prepared the body of Mrs. King for burial and Jim Simpson, his assistant, were called by the defense and testified that they found a black oblique mark directly back of her left hand.

W. G. Means, Concord lawyer and father of the defendant, went on the stand this afternoon and told of circumstances surrounding the affair and swore that Mrs. King suggested that the party take the rifle and pistol out to the woods.

Colonel Means testified that Mrs. King was enthusiastic for several days before the tragedy over the progress she was making with the pistol.

He told of taking a wide brimmed hat and one slipper from the automobile in which the party rode on the fatal night.

He told his daughter, Miss Belle Means, sister of the defendant, to burn the crumpled hat, and she did so.

Judge Cline ruled out the evidence of a telephone conversation which the witness described on the night of the tragedy, which he said some one told him over the telephone not to destroy the personal effects. He now believed the voice over the telephone was that of C. B. Ambrose.

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