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## THE WAR SITUATION

naving falled to bleed France .... at Verdan, the Germans have pas in most of their time on the defensive against the British and sometimes the French until the last few days when they have struck hard at their most hated enemies. There is some point to the statement of a high London authority which declares that the Teutons have made a tremendous effort to perate attacks by land and sea. These good show. Don't miss it.

The allied navies are taking care of many submarines and the ship marine is not gaining in the cam-U-boat will lose ground. The fight December 18th. is hopeless, so far as the Germans

In reading the war news, we are conclude from that news that the world is safe or is doomed. What we should take into consideration SPECIAL AT HUB THEATRE is a fact that the German general much it may sneer at American efbe a Pathe Gold Rooster play in
forts and that is the part the Unfive parts "The Recell" featuring staff has not underrated, however forts-and that is the part the Un- five parts "The [Reccel" featuring ited States will play in the war. that great star William Courtney. Germany knows we have put more than a drop in the bucket; Germany knows that the United States will of the Hawk" in which Mr. Courtknows that the United States will ney has recently been seen. paigns on land and sea are for the or convincing Teutons that their great actress.

armies cannot be defeated. If the Germans are willing to start an offensive this winter, Am- spite the fact that she knows little ericans should be willing. That of- about who he is or whence he comes. fensive will not succeed, and the He disappears andt hinking him task next spring and summer will dead, she marries a wealthy man to be the easier for Great Britain and she is saved from this brute, how he the United States. The German is killed and her brother arrested people, whose position is more un- for the murder on circumstantial comfortable than that of the allies evidence, and how the United States will clamor for peace.

## SCARCITY OF FISH

The semi-annual fish rows in the general assembly have mildly interested members from the central and western part of the state, who looked upon them much as they would two dogs fighting. Occasionally, however, there have been representatives whose people were not directly affected that have tried seriously to understand the situation and a result of this is to be seen in the fish commission that has been on the job for several years.

But the people of the state as a whole, their members in the general assembly included, have felt that the fish problem was one that concerned only the counties where the fish are caught. That has been the general attitude. And Beaufort, Pamlico, Pasquotank, Carteret, Onslow, Bertie and other counties would send representatives to Raleigh intent on seeing that their fishermen were allowed to make all the catches. The various nets were described, and one representative would differ from another as night from day.

Very few people made a serious effort to consider the fish situation. Though North Carolina has more rivers, inlets and sounds-places where fish and oysters naturally breedthan any other state on the Atlantic seaboard, it is a fact that any number of states catch more fish than we, and Virginia and Maryland oyster production is remarkable compared to ours.

We are not placing the blame.

North Carolinians, with abundance n sight, have never been given to worrying over the future. We could have protected the fish that belong to the whole country if we had hown wisdom, but people seldom how wisdom until they are hit. The food that is due us at reasonble prices has been squandered.

A few more days like the last ew and we shall buy an orange arm in Panama.

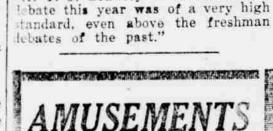
The sunny south in summer,

MRS. HARBIN'S GRANDSON WINS FRESHMAN DEBATE

Friends of Mrs. Alice Harbin of ickory will be interested in a news story from Chapel Hill telling of the honor won by her grandson, Mr. Charles Boyd of Gastonia. The

story follows:

Another Gaston county freshnan has brought laurels both to imself and to his home county. This time it is Chas. Boyd of Gasonia, who won the freshman debatng prize in the Di Society on last aturday night. The question was, Resolved That it would be to the est interests of all cities having a pulation of 5,000 or more to adpt the commission form of govrnment." Mr. Boyd, assisted by Mr. Bobbitt of Charlotte, argued gainst the commission system. On he affirmative side were Messrs. V. Smathers and M. H. Patterson. Ir. Smathers was on the winning te in the final debate for the Ayick Cup last, it will be remember-Mr. Boyd and all the speakers or that matter, showed that they ad received wonderful training in heir high school days. This same onor was achieved a year ago by



ir. T. J. Brawley of Gastonia. The

CHARLIE CHAPLIN AT PASTIME SATURDAY

Charlie Chaplin will be at the Pastime against Saturday, December 15th in "Sentimental Charlie," a two reel cohedy and Ford's Weekincline Great Britain to peace by des- ly will be shown. This will be some

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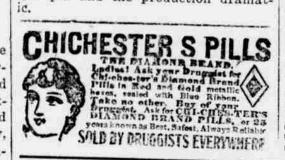
PASTIME TUESDAY, DEC. 18 In accordance with his progressive yarsd are replacing vessels almost policies and desire to give his patrons as fast as they are sunk. The sub- Miller of the Plastime theatre has just arranged for the presentation paign against allied shipping, and of Mary Pickford's new Artcraft as the American yards get busy, the picture, "A Romance of the Red-At the Pastime Tuesday,

This production was staged un-der the personal direction of Cecil B. DeMille, who also wrote the story in collaboration with Jennie too likely to be influenced by our livers or our nerves; we consider the be remembered, is the producer of news of one day or a few days and "Joan the Woman," the famous cinema spectacle concerning the Maid of Orldans.

SATURDAY, DEC. 15 The special attraction at the Hub

make defeat for that country sure There is a splendid cast in this and certain, and the vigorous cam- picture including Lillian Greuze, star of New York's French theatre, who made her debute with Sarah purpose of making the allies quit Bernhardt and is a protegee of the

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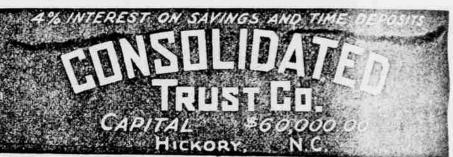


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