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BRITISH BADLY TREATED IN HUN PRISON CAMPS

Ragged and Hungry, These Prisoners Walk to French Lines From Coal and Salt Mines—British Are Handled Worse Than Other Prisoners, It Is Declared.

By the Associated Press.
London, Nov. 23.—Fifteen conditions among the British prisoners liberated by the Germans since the armistice are described by Reuter's correspondent.
Thousands of these men, mostly British, are entering France daily. The correspondent writes:
"I have never seen human beings in such a state of raggedness, hunger and misery. When the camp at Wehrhach, 38 miles east of Metz, as well as those elsewhere were broken up, most of whom were captured during the March offensive, the prisoners were told to clear out and seek help from the allies.
"They set out to walk 50 miles to the allied lines, but were given no food and no shelter. They were in a state of starvation, the soles dropping off their boots. Some wore socks and shoes.
"They left the prison camps in charge of German officers and soldiers who had deserted.
"The weather was very cold and many died by the roadside within a few miles of France. When the soldiers entered the French lines, French soldiers who were hardened war veterans, were horrified to see men in such a state of suffering. It was not doubted that the suffering was intentionally imposed upon the British. Prisoners of other nationalities are agreed that the British prisoners were treated more harshly than other prisoners."
A further report of Sir Robert Younger's committee dealing with the treatment of British prisoners in the coal and salt mines of Germany gives harrowing details of the treatment of the British by the Germans.

COUNCIL FORMED IN GERMAN NAVY

By the Associated Press.
Amsterdam, Nov. 23.—At a joint sitting of the soldiers and workmen's council of the German navy, it has been decided to form a committee for the main arm of the navy. It will have its headquarters at Wilhelmshaven. The council will elect five comrades as a central committee of the navy.
These committee members must be Socialists. All orders must be signed by these five men, according to the advice.

TO BE HEARD MONDAY

The case against Alvin Warren, charged with the murder of C. C. Coker, was continued in the recorder's court yesterday afternoon. The defense was ready, but the state had not obtained all its witnesses. Messrs. A. A. and C. L. Whitener appear for Warren and Mr. W. A. Self and Judge W. B. Council represent the state.
The case will be heard Monday morning at 10 o'clock.
Ensign Ralph D. Ballew, United States navy, is spending a day or two with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Ballew, en route from New London, Conn., to Charleston, S. C., to which point he has been transferred.

CONFERENCE FOR LIEUT. SPEAS LOCAL RED CROSS WOMEN SAY DIES FROM REPORT HERE RIGHTS WOUNDS IS GIVEN

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. West and Mr. P. A. Setzer returned last night from a conference held in France on October 25 from wounds received in action.
Lieutenant Speas graduated as a civil engineer at A. & E. College, Raleigh in 1911. Since that time he had followed his profession, holding responsible positions in Central America and various southern states. He was a mathematician of rare ability and as a civil engineer he was making good. When the United States went to war he packed his compass and tripod and enlisted as a private, serving in Co. B, 105th engineers, which is a part of the 30th division. Those who read the Daily Record will recall his recent description of the battle of the Hindenburg line, in which battle the 30th division played so prominent a part.
Thus another young man has died in the cause of freedom.

The executive committee of the Hickory Chapter Red Cross met last night, preliminary to the annual meeting of the Chapter at the Reformed church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.
The reports of the various departments showed a vast amount of work done, and the interest and enthusiasm of the chairmen of the several committees gave evidence of the cause of success during the past year.
The women's work department shows over \$3,500 worth of work done. Eight thousand yards of cloth were consumed in making up garments and three hundred pounds of wool were knitted into sweaters, socks, helmets, etc., for the soldiers.
The membership report showed almost 1,000 enrolled, which will no doubt be materially increased during the coming year.
The work of the canteen service is increasing day by day, and will likely continue to increase for months to come, as the soldier boys continue to come home in greater numbers.
The financial report made a splendid showing, and is as follows:
Receipts
First War fund \$ 400.00
Second War fund 3666.80
Membership dues 1172.72
Other sources 1509.05
\$ 6,748.57
Disbursements
Material and supplies \$3910.20
Membership dues (National) 858.50
Balance on hand 2,899.87
\$ 6,748.57
These reports will be brought out in detail at the Sunday afternoon meeting, which all are invited to attend. There will be several interesting features, which are a solo by Mrs. J. H. Shuford, and a short address by Dr. Longaker. Let everybody show their interest in this great organization by attending this meeting and taking a part in the selection of officers for the coming year.

Dr. J. C. Owen of Asheville will preach at the Brookfield Baptist church tonight at 7:30.

HICKORY PEOPLE DONATE OVER THIRTEEN THOUSAND

United War Work Campaign Here, In County and in District Complete Success—All Teams Do Good Work—County Raises Over \$20,000 For the Cause.

MAJOR LYERLY CABLES THAT HE'S WELL

A cablegram received this morning by Mrs. Geo. L. Lyerly from her husband, Major Lyerly, 105th engineers, announced that he was still at the front, but well and safe. This was cheering news to his wife, who had not heard from him since October 17, the date of his last letter.
Also it will tend to relieve the anxiety of hundreds of parents in Hickory and Catawba county who have not received letters from their sons since the close of the war. Very few letters have been received of a later date than October 25, but since that time much hard fighting has been done. Efforts to reach the soldiers by cable have been unavailing and Mr. K. C. Menzies, who immediately wired Major Lyerly and other officers in France for the complete Hickory casualties has not heard a word.
Major Lyerly's cable was dated yesterday and it arrived promptly; it is inferred that messages may come over with more frequency. Until all relatives have received assurance of the safety of their loved ones there still will be anxiety, and it is hoped good news will come soon.

A complete and itemized report of the United War Work campaign in Hickory township was compiled today by District Chairman A. A. Shuford from records furnished him by the various team captains and it shows that Hickory raised a total of \$13,470.88. It is a record of which the whole community may be proud.
A complete report had not been received from Mr. L. F. Long, chairman of the county campaign, but he reported earlier in the week that between \$6,000 and \$8,000 would be secured. That will put the whole county considerably above its quota of \$17,500, and it is safe to say that old Catawba has come forward with at least \$21,000.
The whole district has gone across handsomely, Burke and Caldwell also doing remarkably well.
The itemized report for Hickory township follows:
Team No. 1, J. A. Moretz, Capt.—Merchants \$ 3,689.23
Team No. 2, W. H. Barkley, Capt.—Clerks, Stevedores and Suburban Merchants 538.15
Team No. 3, A. A. Shuford, Jr., Capt.—Manufacturers 5,965.00
Team No. 4, F. A. Henderson, Capt.—Employees, West Hickory: Piedmont Wagon & Mfg. Co. \$128.85
Hutton-Bourbonnais 100.00
C. & N-W. Shops 83.00
Hickory Mfg. Co. 90.70
Hickory Novelty Co. 4.50
Latta-Martin Pump Co. 27.50
Ivey Mill Co. 135.60
Southern Desk Co. 20.90
590.15
Team No. 5, Geo. Bailey, Capt.—Employees, East Hickory: Elliott Knitting Mills \$162.15
Hickory Ice & Coal Co. 49.00
Best Knitting Mills 30.00
Martin Furniture Co. 65.00
Hickory Furniture Co. 158.05
Hickory Chair Mfg. Co. 120.85
A. A. Shuford Mill Co. 57.50
642.55
Team No. 6—P. H. Oneill and F. L. Goodwin, Capts. Brookfield Mill Employees Students and Faculty Lenoir College 450.00
Victory Boys, Prof. R. W. Carver, Capt. 126.00
Ladies, Mrs. W. B. Ramsay, Capt.
Ward No. 1, Mrs. L. F. Abernethy, Chm. \$418.40
Ward No. 2, Mrs. W. H. Barkley, Chm. 308.25
Ward No. 3, Mrs. F. A. Abernethy, Chm. 167.00
Ward No. 4, Mrs. J. H. P. Ciley, Chm. 544.40
Windy City and Longview, Mrs. N. G. Deal, Chm. 151.25
1,589.30
Victory Girls, Mrs. H. D. Abernethy, Capt. 365.50
Total \$13,470.88

WON'T CALL STRIKE, TO URGE NEW TRIAL

By the Associated Press.
San Francisco, Nov. 23.—Decision not to call a general strike as a protest against the execution on December 13 of Thomas J. Mooney was reached last night by the San Francisco labor council which decided instead to appoint a committee of 10 to see the governor and ask for a new trial on one of the other counts.
Mooney was convicted of murder in connection with the preparedness day parade here on July 22, 1916.

Today's Casualty List

Washington, Nov. 23.—The two army casualty lists made public today show the following names from North Carolina:
Killed in Action
Hermon P. Shackleford of Fremont, Colin C. Shaw of Benn Level, George J. Stallings of Waxhaw.
Died of Wounds
Capt. Andrew J. Harris, Jr., of Henderson, Robert Lemay Turner of Garner, Benjamin H. Winchester of Bryson City, John W. Young of Rural Hall.
Died of Disease
John Evans of Milton, James O. Matthews of Cooper, Roscoe Benton of Goldsboro, Jo A. Myers of Thomasville, P. H. Rouse of Snow Hill, John G. Salley of Saleys and William Torrence of Charlotte.
Wounded Severely
Herbert P. Willett of Goldston.
Wounded Degree Undetermined
Troy E. Moody of Candler, Marvin D. Rock of Charlotte.
Missing in Action
Sam W. Williams of Thomasville, Paul Hillary Shoaf of Thomasville, George W. Buchanan of Hayesville, Arthur Cabe of Waynesville, John H. Hamilton of Salisbury, Sam Gibson of Rockingham, Cleveland Hancock of Franklinville, Ernest W. Norris of Duke and Ed Young of Winston-Salem.

NEW YORK COTTON

By the Associated Press.
New York, Nov. 23.—There was renewed realising at the opening of the cotton market this morning. It seemed that the late break of yesterday had brought in selling orders and first prices were considerably lower.
Open Close
December 28.75 28.45
January 27.50 27.90
March 26.95 27.40
May 26.75 26.95
July 26.30 26.45
Hickory Cotton 27c

WEATHER FORECAST

For North Carolina: Probably rain tonight and Sunday, a little change in temperature, north and northeast winds fresh on the coast.

These Troops to Return Home

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Nov. 23.—General March announced today that authority had been given to General Pershing to send home all such troops as will not be needed in making up the army of occupation. He indicated the following divisions to be returned home:
Divisions 31, 34, 38, 39, 74, 66, 78, Coast artillery regiments 46, 47, 49, 50, 75 and 76.
Field artillery brigades 65 and 103.
In addition General Pershing indicated the following general class of troops would be returned:
Railroad artillery troops, gas troops, tank corps, air forces and those divisions which were broken up to be used as replacements for other divisions which had seen active service.
Troops returning immediately from England, General March said, will include practically all of the air squadrons, 16 construction companies, one sail maker's detachment and one Handy-Pake training section and several photographic and radio sections. Orders for the return of these a ready have been issued.
Total casualties in American expeditionary forces up to the armistice, General March said, were as follows:
Killed and died of wounds, 36,154; died of disease, 13,181; died of other causes, 2,204; wounded, 179,625; prisoners, 2,163; missing, 1,160.
The American forces, General March said, had taken 44,000 German prisoners in round numbers and 1,400 guns. He added that the casualties among the American forces were not severe, contrary to reports, and encouraging accounts of the situation of the forces had been received.
Movements of troops from France will be expedited in every way, the chief of staff said, and he added that they would not sneak into the country, either.
General March pointed out that the American army is headed for Coblenz, the center bridgehead on the Rhine where it should arrive about December 1. The British will arrive at Cologne and the French at Mainz.
The strength of the American army to be maintained in France is not indicated beyond demobilization plans announced. Demobilization of the war, it was learned here today. Of these all but four were sunk by torpedoes or mines.

TWO KINDS OF FOOD FURNISHED GERMANS

By the Associated Press.
London, Nov. 23.—(Reuters)—It is pointed out in connection with the appeal of Dr. Solf for food that there are two kinds of food in Germany. That for the soldiers in the first line has been much larger than for the rest of the nation.
It is said Dr. Solf appears anxious that the front line standard shall be maintained for the large body of troops returning from the front. This ration is considerably larger than that to which British people have been accustomed during the last four years.

ARE YOU WORTH DYING FOR?

Are you worth dying for? If you are, then it is your duty to support the men who are doing this very thing—dying that you may live in prosperity and peace, and that Liberty which shall be yours for all time shall not perish from the earth. You can prove that you are worth dying for by the loyalty and support you give those who are making the sacrifice. You can prove it by showing that you too are willing to sacrifice that war may be ended and that peace may be gained for others. You can show that your spirit in winning the war is as fine as any soldier's at the front. Whenever you do your share of the little things that are necessary to be done over here, as buying War Stamps or Liberty Bonds, then you can feel that you have squared your account with the boys over there. You can say you are worth dying for.—War Savings Bulletin.

MAJODO RESIGNS AS HEAD OF TREASURY

Washington, Nov. 23.—William Majodo, secretary of general of railroads and often discussed as one of the presidential possibilities in 1920, has resigned his offices to return to private business.
President Wilson has accepted his resignation. Mr. Majodo will give up the treasury portfolio as soon as a successor has been selected. He wishes to lay down his work as director general of railroads by January 1 but will remain if the president has not then chosen a successor.
Upon the new secretary of the treasury, whoever he may be, will devolve the task of financing the nation through the transition period of war to peace, which probably will include at least two more liberty loans and possibly also a further revision of the system of war taxation.

NEWTON PEOPLE TO HELP IN BIG DRIVE

The patriotic citizens of Newton have agreed to furnish whatever volunteer help Mrs. Gordon Wilfong of Jacob's Fork township and Mr. F. H. Caldwell of Caldwell township may need in the Victory drive for the sale of War Savings Stamps that begins Thanksgiving day and ends December 6. Mr. Oscar Sherrill of Catawba township says he is sure that his township will go over the top. Mrs. Wilfong says Newton township has already pledged enough to put it across. J. H. C. Hewitt has Clines township thoroughly organized.
A meeting of W. S. S. workers will be held at the Chamber of Commerce rooms tonight, and every person interested in this work is urged to be present. Volunteers will be asked to cover that portion of the county not taken by the citizens of Newton in making a thorough canvass. War Savings Stamps are a splendid investment, not a donation, and all it needs is a strong cooperative effort, and lo, Catawba county will be over the top.

WALLACE REID AT PASTIME TODAY

The program at the Pastime today will be a Paramount picture, "The Firefly of France," starring Wallace Reid, with dainty Ann Little. The story deals with a young American who becomes involved in a German spy plot, but who wins love and honor in the end. Don't miss this good picture. Admission 10 and 15 cents, war tax included.

Bad Conditions In Germany

By the Associated Press.
London, Nov. 22.—The chaotic political conditions in Germany are emphasized in reports received here from Amsterdam and Copenhagen purporting to reproduce telegrams from Germany.
There is a sharp divergence of opinion in regard to the make-up of the new Germany. There is general lack of harmony in different parts of the country and a sentiment towards sectionalism. Bolsheviki ideas are said to be growing in the west where a Rhenish republic is said to be planned.
The Rhenish workmen are said to be in accord with the Russian bolshevik and to have sent an appeal for assistance in organizing communal governments.
The Spartacus group of Dusseldorf is reported to have proclaimed a proletarian dictatorship and arrested the burgomaster of the city. Dr. Kar. Liebknecht, the radical Socialist, was acclaimed at Spartacus meeting in Berlin, which issued an appeal to the workers to emulate the Russian bolshevik. The meetings refused to listen to moderate speakers.

RESISTANCE GROWS TO BERLIN CONTROL

By the Associated Press.
Copenhagen, Friday, Nov. 22.—Resistance in south Germany, especially in Bavaria to proletarian dictatorship from Berlin, is growing and is likely to result in all south Germany's becoming a new independent government, according to a Berlin correspondent.

First Soldiers Leave England

By the Associated Press.
Liverpool, Nov. 22.—Several thousand American soldiers sailed for home today on the liner Lapland and Minnehaha. It was a stirring scene as the men marched from the railway station and local camps to the landing stage amid the rousing cheers of the populace which thronged the streets.

Cunard Line Lost Heavily

By the Associated Press.
New York, Nov. 23.—Fifteen steamships aggregating 206,769 gross tons, were lost by the Cunard line during