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HOOD HEADS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR COMING YEAR; RICHMOND SECRETARY IS SPEAKER AT ANNUAL MEETING OF BODY

This Section's Market Facilities Unsurpassed in World, Declares Visitor—Last Twelve Months Most Successful in Chamber's History—Big Bond Issue for Roads Carried, Train Service to Duplin Restored, Etc.—Old Officers Refuse Re-election—Dunn Vice-President and L. J. Mewborne Treasurer—Jeffress, H. H. Taylor, Moseley and Hodges Division Directors

Mr. J. E. Hood, prominent druggist and citizen, heads the Kinston Chamber of Commerce for the new year. He, and an entirely new board of directors were chosen at the annual meeting Wednesday night. The retiring board recommended a clean sweep, affirmed their deep interest in the work of the civic body, pledged their continued support in whatever undertakings it shall make for the welfare of the community and steadfastly declined all efforts of the assembly to return any of them to office for the new year.

Mr. W. T. Dabney, business secretary of the Richmond Chamber of Commerce, made the address of the evening.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the First Baptist Church served the banquet, a delightful spread.

Secretary E. B. Lewis' report reflected much activity on the part of the directors and himself and the accomplishment of much that stands for the growth and prosperity of the community.

Outstanding in Mr. Lewis' report of the work of the Chamber for the year were the following:

Conception and successful consummation of a two-million-dollar road project, representing probably the most forward step, population and taxable values considered, in the entire country;

Leadership in revising the charter of the city, looking to better government and eliminating the fee system from the municipal court;

Restoration of train service to Beulaville and other points to the south of Kinston;

Successful work in securing passage of a state-wide bill for the establishment of recorders' courts;

And other important features too numerous to list here.

Mr. Dabney's Address.

Secretary W. T. Dabney of the Richmond Chamber of Commerce, made a most inspiring address. Cooperation and fellowship were the prominent notes sounded by this man of long experience in civic work and widely known throughout the country as an expert in helping communities to grow.

He decried the plan of offering bonuses to factories and industries, saying that worthwhile communities no longer pursued such methods. The factories would seek those places that were growing, that were alive, where the needed labor was procurable and where the citizens were working together. Factories should be sought but not bought was the sense of his suggestion.

He pointed out that factories and agricultural pursuits built a town. He complimented Kinston on having both. He spoke of the splendid progress being made throughout the whole State of North Carolina and pointed out the advantages of the State in having so many cities of comparatively the same size with no one big center to create petty jealousy and rivalry. The market facilities, Mr. Dabney said, of this section were unsurpassed by any other in all the world. He declared that the products of this community were within 26 hours of 75 per cent. of the entire population of the United States.

Smiling at the breakfast table, a hard task he admitted, and smiling on the way to business even on the chap with the hard luck story, helped to keep the town growing and happy, he said.

The revenue of the Chamber was insufficient to do the work, he declared, and urged that at least four times as much or ten or twelve thousand dollars be provided.

A vote of thanks was extended the retiring directorate for faithful and efficient labors.

The following were chosen to lead the work this year:

BULLETINS

(By The United Press)
CALL FOR BANK STATEMENTS.

Washington, May 15.—The Comptroller of the Currency today issued a call for statements on the condition of national banks at the close of business Monday.

PROGRESS WITH A VIM.

Brunswick, Ga., May 15.—Complete returns today showed a \$350,000 bond issue road-building project ballotted on in yesterday's election here was carried without a single dissenting vote.

NEGRO IS LYNCHED BY MOB IN GEORGIA

(By The United Press)
Dublin, Ga., May 15.—Jim Waters, a negro accused of assaulting a young white girl near Scott, Georgia, was forcibly taken from the custody of a deputy sheriff by a mob and lynched near Wrightsville today, according to a telephone message from Sheriff Rowland of Johnson County.

Salvation Army Asks Thirteen Millions

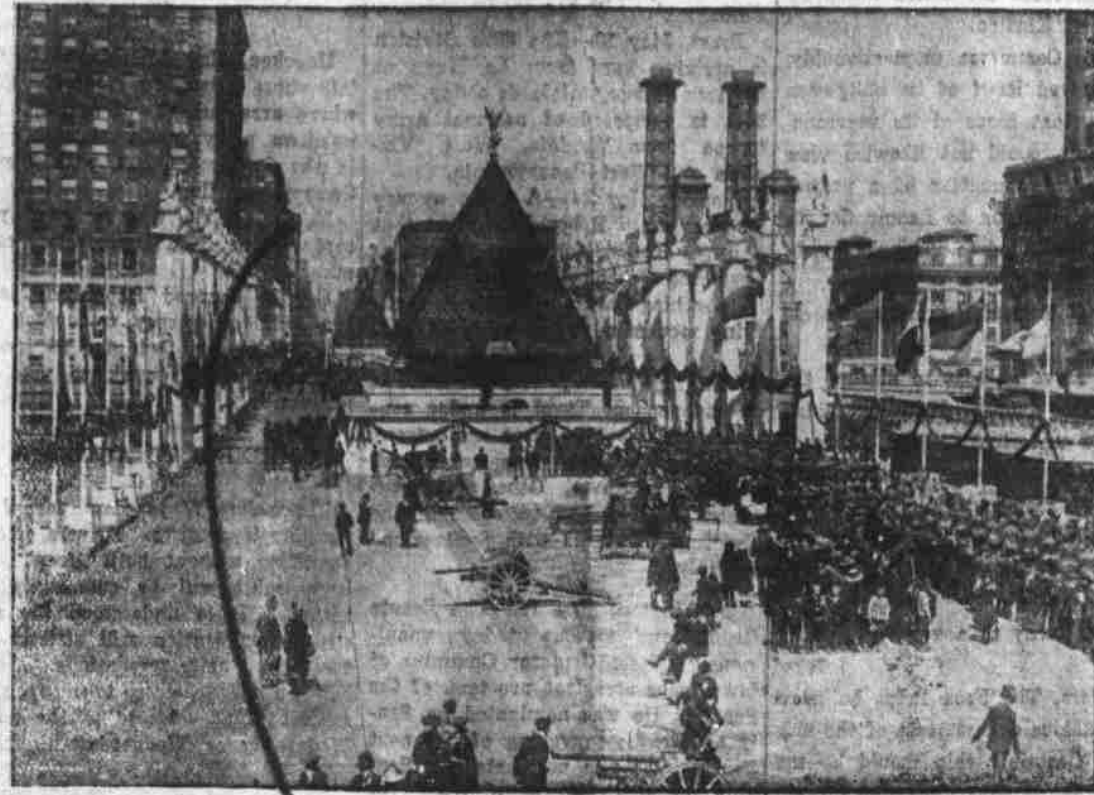
(By The United Press)
New York, May 15.—Salvation Army forces over the country are mobilizing for a \$13,000,000 fund today. The campaign, which is to mark the passing of the time honored tambourine, will be on from May 19 to 26. The funds secured are to be used in work "over here" as well as for the overseas service.

Alien Slackers Are Barred as Citizens

Washington, May 14.—Right to become citizens of the United States is being forever denied to about 20,000 neutral aliens, because of their refusal to fight for the United States, Bureau of Naturalization records show.

This represents the number of neutral citizens who took advantage of the provision in the Selective Service Law granting their exemption from military service, if they desired to forfeit forever their rights to become Americans. Spaniards and Mexicans form the largest percentages of these slackers.

A. Hodges. The secretary is chosen by the directors.



VIEW OF WONDERFUL VICTORY WAY ON OPENING DAY.
Photo shows the wide Plaza in Park Avenue, New York, the center of the Victory Loan Activities throughout the campaign. Center back ground shows the north end Pyramid of captured German helmets surmounted by a duplicate of the Herbert Adams Statue of Victory. (Copyrighted).

TWO GUILTY MURDER BIG NAVAL BLIMP FIFTY THOUSAND ON OF KARL LIEBKNE'RT REACHES N. SCOTIA STRIKE IN NATION ON WAY TO EUROPE

(By The United Press)
Berlin, May 15.—Captain Runge, convicted of complicity in the murder of Karl Liebknecht and Rosa Luxemburg, Spartacus leaders, has been sentenced to two years' imprisonment. Lieutenant Vogel received a sentence of two years and a half. The other five defendants were acquitted.

PAGE ADMITS HE'S MADE NO PROGRESS

(By The United Press)
Paris, May 15.—Ambassador Page, returning to Rome, today admitted that he had made no progress toward settlement of the Fiume question. He declared he would make public the compromise plan he submitted to the big four.

CANNED TOMATOES TO RESCUE OF FAMILY

Widow's Home Would Have Been Lost But for Canning Club Member of Her Brood—Cottage Saved By Sales of Garden Products.

Washington, May 15.—A 14-year-old canning-club girl in Boyle County, Ky., is the daughter of a widow. They own their own home, a comfortable cottage with two acres of ground, and the mother sews to support the five girls. Last year the oldest little girl joined the local canning club. Besides canning for the family's use, she canned tomatoes for sale. Proceeds from the first cans bought shoes for herself and sisters, but the bulk of the products were sent away for sale.

COTTON.

Futures quotations Thursday were:	Open.	Close.
May	28.55	29.00
July	27.10	27.54
October	25.40	25.98

Local receipts to 3 o'clock were about 30 bales, prices ranging from 27.15 downward.

111TH ARTILLERY'S ON THE WAY BACK

(By The United Press)
Washington, May 15.—Transport sailings announced show the 111th Field Artillery is due at Newport News May 25 aboard the Virginian. The ship left St. Nazaire. The units include Virginia troops.

C-5 Makes Record Flight From Long Island—900 Miles—NC-4 Goes to Newfoundland for Azores Hop-Off

(By The United Press)
St. John's, May 15.—Completing its record-breaking flight from Montauk Point, Long Island, the United States navy dirigible C-5 arrived at St. John's this morning.

The great gas bag, flying steadily since yesterday, was sighted from Signal Hill approaching the city at a high rate of speed. Word was flashed to Washington, where the Navy Department had been out of touch with the blimp for hours while it dashed steadily through the air lanes over sea and land.

The total of miles of the trip is approximately 900.

AMERICA'S IMMORTALS

Oscar F. Miller, Major, 361st Infantry.
Maj. Miller received the Distinguished Service Cross for conspicuous gallantry in action near Gesnes, France, September 28, 1918. After two days of intense physical and mental strain, during which Maj. Miller had led his battalion in the front line of the advance, through the forest of Argonne, the enemy was met in a prepared position south of Gesnes. Though almost exhausted, he energetically reorganized his battalion and ordered an attack. Upon reaching open ground, the advancing line began to waver in the face of machine gun fire from the front and flanks and direct artillery fire. Personally leading his command group forward between his front line companies, Maj. Miller inspired his men by his personal courage and they again pressed on toward the hostile position. As this officer led the renewed attack he was shot in the right leg, but he nevertheless staggered forward at the head of his command. Soon afterward he was again shot in the right arm, but he continued the charge, personally cheering his troops on through the heavy machine gun fire. Just before the objective was reached he received a wound in the abdomen, which forced him to the ground, but he continued to urge his men on, telling them to push on to the next ridge and leave him where he lay. He died from his wounds a few days later. Maj. Miller's widow lives at 1727 West Fifty-first street, Los Angeles, Cal.

GOVERNMENT PAYING INTEREST ON BONDS

(By The United Press)
Washington, May 15.—Holders of Liberty bonds of the second issue today enjoyed the semi-annual pleasure of clipping the interest coupons. Uncle Sam had to dig down in his jeans for a cool \$73,000,000 interest money. Secretary Glass appealed to bondholders to reinvest their interest in war-savings stamps.

NATION WAS MAKING AIRPLANES AT RATE OF 20,000 A YEAR GERMAN DELEGATES OPPOSE TRIAL OF THE FORMER KAISER

That the Strike When Armistice Was Signed, Says Crowell in Report—Director Steers Clear of Comment

(By The United Press)
Washington, May 15.—American factories were turning out aeroplanes at the rate of 20,000 a year when the war ended, Benedict Crowell, director of munitions, revealed today in his official report.

Crowell recited the checkered story of the American aircraft program and carefully avoided comment, except to say the training plane program can be called a success. He steered clear of charges to Congress that during the war the airplane program was bungled, and rested his case with stacking up the American achievements beside those of the Allies.

WIDER RECOGNITION OF SALVATION ARMY

Popular Among Soldiers Abroad—Added Responsibility for Organization at Home—Intensive Drive for Funds.

(By D. T. Edwards)
In the glare of war the Salvation Army has won new recognition at the hands of the American people. But it is only a new and wider recognition of the intrinsic worth of one of God's most potent agencies for good in a world that is full of so much sin and sorrow and suffering. For half a century and more the gallant army of Salvationists has been unceasingly working among the poor, the lowly, the desperate, the degraded, helping the fallen woman, the unfortunate child, the man who has lost all and is down and out.

Popularity Brings Added Responsibility. Simply by performing its ordinary functions in faithfulness and with sacrificial spirit of helpfulness in the great world calamity, the Salvation Army finds itself today the center of an enlarged popularity. The regard and esteem with which it is held will stick because the organization has won such regard on the merits of the service rendered.

"Because of its work with the troops of the Allies in the war just ended," says Commander Evangeline Booth, "the Salvation Army has been favored by the public with a vast amount of popularity, which to us means responsibility."

This added responsibility inevitably calls for an extension of facilities; and this is the basis of the Army's appeal to the public for a "Home Service Fund" with which to further the work demanded of it.

What is the Salvation Army? The Salvationists themselves say: "The Salvation Army is a religious body, existing in two phases—namely, the evangelistic, which is the primary, and the social relief, which was made necessary by the evangelistic, and which operates to give permanency to many of its most important results."

"It was founded by the late General William Booth, in London, in 1865. Was first known as the Christian Mission; its present name was adopted in 1878. It derives its name from the fact that it works for the salvation of mankind from all forms of moral, spiritual and temporal distress. Its government is military in form and its tactics militant and aggressive."

Lieutenant Harvey Will Lead. From the ranks of its new found friends—the American soldiers, sailors and marines, the Salvation Army has secured Lieutenant C. F. Harvey, Jr., to lead its campaign in Lenoir County for the enlarged "Home Service Fund."

Lenoir's quota is only \$3,000 and the appeal of the chairman for funds will no doubt meet with ready response.

Chairman Harvey wishes as many volunteers for service in this campaign as possible. He will announce more complete plans later. But as the drive begins on the 19th and continues for one week only he must rely largely upon hurriedly assembled volunteer help.

BUY W. S. S.

Agree to Reparation But Won't Admit Whole Responsibility

LET HOHENZOLL'N ALONE

Is Attitude of Berlin Representatives — Austrian Treaty Military and Naval Terms Under Consideration

(By The United Press)
Paris, May 15.—The German peace delegates will oppose the signing of that article of the treaty providing for the trial of the former kaiser.

Former Minister Brockdorff-Rantzau is understood to have forwarded a note to the Allies accepting German responsibility for the war to the extent of agreeing to the reparation necessary but denying individual responsibility.

Discuss Military Terms New Treaty.

Paris, May 15.—The big four today consulted experts regarding the military and naval terms of the Austrian peace treaty.

No Talking to Be Done.

Paris, May 15.—The Allies have flatly refused to consider the German proposal to consider the peace treaty together, it is officially announced. Three of seven communications submitted by the enemy delegates have been turned down. The answers to the others have not been made public.

Blast Another Fond Hope of the Thirsty

(By The United Press)
Washington, May 15.—The boys who hope to find succor from sorrow at the demise of John Barleycorn by imbibing in a "Sure cure for malaria," or "Blank's stomach bitters" are doomed to disappointment.

For the Revenue Bureau is going to see that alcoholic medicines contain enough medicine.

Dr. A. B. Adams, head of the revenue bureau's laboratory, says there are manufactured and sold in the United States 100,000 preparations containing on an average of from 14 to 16 per cent. alcohol. Many have the same formula, but are sold under different names. Some contain as high as 90 per cent. alcohol.

V.-P. Marshall Backs Memorial Tree Plan

Washington, May 15.—In a letter to the home county folks, back in Indiana, Thomas P. Marshall, vice-president of the United States, praises their planting of a memorial tree in honor of the boys who went to war from Collamer. The report of the tree planting was made to the American Forestry Association, which is registering all memorial trees in a national honor roll.

Memorial tree planting, reports to the American Forestry Association show, is going on all over the country.

SHIP DESTROYED IN URUGUAYAN HARBOR

(By The United Press)
Washington, May 15.—An explosion of gasoline aboard the barkentine City of Mobile in the harbor of Montevideo, Uruguay, virtually destroyed the ship. Three missing members of the crew are believed dead, the State Department announces.