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SATURDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 30, 1916

"Old Jack Frost" can't be far from these parts.

Some pert young buds, showing themselves for the first time, may be "nipped in the bud" if this sort of temperature prevails very long.

The life preserver, picked up on the coast of Maine and bearing the inscription "Bremen" may after all be a "life preserver" for the undersea boat in the shape of decoy for the enemy cruisers awaiting its arrival.

JAMES HAYWOOD SOUTHGATE.

News dispatches from Durham announcing the sudden death of Hon. James Haywood Southgate, pioneer and leading citizen, which occurred Friday afternoon at his country home near Durham, comes as a distinct shock to the members of the Press Association who recently attended the convention in Durham, which was so happily and eloquently welcomed by Mr. Southgate.

Not only are members of the press shocked, but the whole state will mourn the loss of a distinguished citizen. Mr. Southgate was the type of man worth while; broad-minded, yet adhering unflinchingly to principles of right, he was ever found the champion of those things uplifting and ennobling. He was connected with most every public undertaking in which his community was interested; he represented Durham as head of its civic chambers and other public institutions; he was conspicuously successful in his private affairs and took rank in his chosen field, underwriting, as a national figure. Mr. Southgate was once vice-presidential nominee of the National Prohibition party, the principles of which he long championed.

The state, as well as Durham, has lost a useful citizen, a courtly gentleman, a man of the highest character.

DISTRIBUTION OF POWER ESSENTIAL.

There is good reason to agree with the opinion of Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg that: "A Germany crushed economically is defenseless from a military standpoint, boycotted by the world, and condemned to eternal feebleness—that is the Germany England wishes to see at her feet." Unquestionably England wants to see Germany at her feet, and beyond doubt, England is greedy for world supremacy. The arrogance with which her admiralty has interfered with neutral commerce has evidenced full well that England's attitude is not an altruistic one as her War Secretary and other spokesmen would have us believe. The preservation of world peace, after the present struggle shall be brought to an end, depends very largely upon a distribution of power and not its centralization. The complete crushing of any great world power by another is but to create a taste far more and if England and her Allies are successful in crushing their enemies, it is logical to suppose that they will sigh for more worlds to conquer.

THE GREAT AMERICAN ISSUE.

The one issue before the American people today, which can and must be viewed from a non-partisan standpoint, is that of maintenance of peace. The tariff "bugbear" may be resurrected; the Glass-Owens currency measure, whereby the country has been saved from the grasp of Wall Street, and today enjoys prosperity to a greater degree than at any preceding period of its history, instead of being floundering in the throes of a panic because of the power that the financial jugglers enjoyed prior to its enactment, may be ridiculed and belittled in the eyes of some who have a ballot, but who have not kept abreast of the times; the "Hughes-e-rees" may make some capital out of the Adamson eight-hour law; they may be able to discount the Farm Loan Act, because it has not yet been put into operation, and the people have not, therefore, had an opportunity to appreciate fully its merits; and it may be possible for them to disparage some of the other constructive enactments of the Wilson administration in their frantic efforts to find a "straw," but never can the "Old Gang of Stand-Patters" fool the average mother and father in America into believing that the policy of President Wilson, which has preserved the peace of the country and left the sons of the nation free in the pursuit of happiness, was "vacillating and spineless and all wrong," as would the seekers after office have them believe.

The one great American issue today is the maintenance of peace. President Wilson's successful guidance of the nation during the stormy days of the past two and a half years and the preservation of peace to its hundred millions of people is sufficient to lift him above the encomiums of partisan politics, and make him at once the representative of the whole people without regard for party lines. "Peace and Prosperity" are the key-words which throw the camp of the opposition into panic and which will adorn the Wilson banner of success on November 7, in this good year, Anno Domini, Nineteen-Sixteen.

Hon. "Cam" Morrison of Charlotte was the "spellbinder" in behalf of the cause of Democracy before the people of Lenoir Saturday morning, and he measured up to the responsibility in his usual good style. As we have before proclaimed, the story of Democratic administration is one of "good stewardship" and Mr. Morrison did the subject justice.

WHAT OTHERS SAY

"CLEAN OR CLOSE THE MOVIES."

Biblical Recorder: "We believe in making the moving pictures so clean that anybody, old or young, male or female, may attend them without modest blush or moral taint. And if this is not done, or cannot be done, then it were better, a thousand times better, that the moving picture shows be closed up finally and forever. Here are two or three facts clipped from an exchange which carry their own moral: A penitentiary warden of Pennsylvania says 'that of 500 convicts, 300 were started on their career of crime by the suggestions of moving pictures.' Of the pictures presented on the principal street of Charleston, W. Va., for one month it was found that 25 per cent. only were 'good and not bad.' The remaining 75 per cent. were 'bad and very bad.' In 35 per cent. cigarettes were shown, drink in 50 per cent.; gun play and murder in 50 per cent. In 40 per cent. of the programs, deceit, intrigue, jealousy or treachery was the leading feature."

IGNORANCE RAMPANT.

Wilmington Star: "Some anti-Wilson papers are divisively calling upon the President to settle the New York strike by legislation. They ought to know that the New York strike is confined solely to one State, and is not an interstate matter, hence it is not within the province of Congress, which settled the railway trainmen's strike in accordance with the interstate commerce clause of the Federal constitution. The constitution gives Congress very large powers over interstate traffic and corporations, but Congress has no power to legislate for one State or to control affairs within any one State. That is where each State has undisputed power. In order to make a political point, some editors prefer to appear as if they don't know any better. The fact is, they underrate the intelligence of their readers, who may think that if the President can settle a national strike he can settle a city strike."

METHODICAL CONSTRUCTION OF ROADWAYS HELPED IN THE CAPTURE OF COMBLES

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Aircraft Figure Prominently.

Combles being several miles in advance of the French lines of observation balloons, the final observation resulting in the capture of the village was entrusted to aeroplanes. In great numbers they circled above the village at a great height like a flock of huge vultures, awaiting only the certainty that life was extinct before swooping down and seizing their prey. Yet, so strongly were the Germans fortified in Combles, and so completely were they equipped with artillery that at almost the last moment preceding the passage of the village into Allied hands, when an aeroplane swooped down within range I counted within less than a minute the bursting of several shrapnel shells above one plane. The aviator, evidently convinced that the village was still unoccupied, rejoined his comrades at higher altitudes, outside the range.

During our steady progress afoot, guns a hundred yards apart all were firing so fiercely and so close to us, that they drowned out the general roar of artillery, and destroyed any possible impression of the gigantic struggle as a whole. It was only after reaching the advanced artillery lines that we saw a well-placed shell explode a munitions depot, and upon our return to the rear, that we were able to get an impression, at least in part of the magnitude of the struggle.

From a hill well in the rear, one could see the entire crest extending from near Maurepas to the Somme, a distance of six kilometers (about four miles) which was honeycombed with batteries that their flashes in broad daylight gave very much the same impression as a dark June night literally alive with fireflies. Each flash represented the blast from a giant gun; yet this crest was only on a half dozen others seen while approaching Combles from one side only.

As my eyes ached from trying to follow the incessant flashes, bursting seemingly from every inch of the entire crest, I suggested to an Alpine Chasseur my guide, that the action was probably at its height.

"This is an ordinary bombardment,"

he replied, shrugging his shoulders.

In fact, half an hour later, officers said that this was merely the bombardment which followed the general assault. Combles had already been taken.

LAND SALE BY MORTGAGEE.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain mortgage deed executed to the Bank of Pink Hill by J. C. Craft and wife, Etta Craft, on April 23rd, 1915, which appears of record in Lenoir county in Book 47, at page 490, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said mortgage, the undersigned will, on the 14th day of October, 1916, at about 12 o'clock M. at the courthouse door in Kinston, N. C., offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash the following described tract of land which is that conveyed by said mortgage, and is situated in Lenoir county, N. C., adjoining the Turner lands, the Jones lands and the lands of others, and is more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a stake at the head

of the lead ditch in the south prong of Panther Swamp on the west side of the cart path, a corner of lot No. 1 in the division of the lands of S. S. Howard's estate and runs northward with the line of Lot No. 1 to a maple or gum in the north prong of Panther Branch in W. A. Jones' line, thence with the run, Jones' line westward to George Turner's line, thence with his line down the run of said branch to B. S. Pickett's corner on said run, thence with Pickett's line southward to his corner on the lead ditch in the south prong of Panther Branch, thence up said ditch with R. M. Bryant's line to the beginning, containing 38 acres, more or less. The said land being part of Lot No. 2 in the division of S. S. Howard's estate.

This 9th day of September, 1916. BANK OF PINK HILL, By G. S. WILLARD, Cashier. Dly-Sept. 14, 21, 28; Oct 5, 12.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY.

Effective Monday, September 11th, 1916. Southern Railway announces the present Winston-Salem-Beaufort-

Morehead City Pullman sleeping car will be shortened to Winston-Salem at 8:50 p. m. same as at present, and arrive Goldsboro following morning, returning car will leave Goldsboro 10:35 p. m., arriving Winston-Salem following morning.

Present Greensboro-Raleigh Pullman sleeping car line will continue to operate.

For full details, reservations, etc., address,

J. O. JONES, Traveling Passenger Agent, Raleigh, N. C. The Southern Serves the South. advt-tf.

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HE MUST HAVE HAD HIS HANDS FULL

BY WALT DESMOND.



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