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MAXIMUM OF FIVE BILLIONS CAN BE REACHED, BELIEVED

By Maintaining Present Pace Liberty Loan Can Be Made Success

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Nation Has to Furnish \$400,000,000 a Day for Remainder of Time—Acceleration Greatest Enthusiasm at Washington

(By the United Press)

Washington, Oct. 19.—The second Liberty Loan is developing the momentum necessary for a smashing success. Although only one-third of the \$5,000,000,000 maximum has been subscribed, the Nation can reach this stupendous goal if it keeps on accelerating its pace as in the last few days.

BOB FITZSIMMONS A SURE LOSER, THO'T

(By the United Press)

New York, Oct. 19.—"Fitz can put up a mighty battle. Even death will find him a hard man to handle," Jim Corbett said today when informed of the serious condition of Bob Fitzsimmons.

Mildred Walters, 11, was criminally assaulted by Sophrona Harris, colored, 18, near Williamston several days ago. The assailant is in jail.

OCTOBER 24 TO BE STATE'S LOAN DAY

(By the United Press) Raleigh, Oct. 19.—October 24 will be Liberty Bond Day in North Carolina. A proclamation setting aside the day was issued by Governor Eckett today. At the same time he appealed to "all classes" of citizens of the State to devote the day to the sale of bonds, and especially urged the mayors of incorporated towns to wage community canvasses in connection with rural canvasses by the State's sheriffs.

GARRIS AND ALPHIN ON TRIAL HERE NOW

Superior Court Friday afternoon was still engaged in the trial of the case against E. B. Garriss and Ransom Alphin of LaGrange, charged with burning a store in order to collect \$2,000 insurance on the stock. The case was opened Thursday afternoon. The State had rested. It was contended in the prosecution that goods discovered by an Insurance Department agent to have been placed around in various localities were gotten out of the place before the fire with the intent of saving it. The defense, not having concluded its evidence, claimed that the goods had been sold to smaller merchants, etc., in bona fide transactions.

Frank Artis, colored wife slayer, was sentenced to from five to 10 years Thursday. Artis entered a plea of guilty in the second degree. The negro at the trial appeared to be of unsound mind. He shot the women last Spring, and was trying to suicide when arrested. William H. Williams, colored, charged with the murder of Ellis Pierce, colored, a few days ago, was arraigned, but the case was sent over to the December term. Patsy Williams and Carrol Williams, charged with aiding and abetting in the crime, were allowed bail in the sum of \$500 each until the December term.

WOODINGTON HOLDS ITS COMMUNITY FAIR; EXHIBITS EXCELLENT; CONSERVATION, LIBERTY LOAN, NATION'L SERVICE ADDRESSES; FOLKS, FUN, FEASTING ENJOYED

Fine exhibits, good speeches, plenty of palatable eats and a large number of people gave a fitting setting to the first annual community fair to be held at Woodington. The exhibit was Friday. It was the third in the series of four to be held in the county. The fair at Moss Hill Saturday will conclude the series. Planters and their wives and children from Woodington, McGowan, New Hope, Deep Run, Oak Grove, Beaver Dam, Waller's, Maple Grove and Linwood school districts, patronized the Woodington fair. Extensive exhibits of agricultural, live stock, household and kitchen products and school work were displayed. During the morning there was a creditable parade, led by Herman Johnson, chief marshal, and Miss Sadie Waller, chief marshal-ess. Several excellent floats were entered. Dr. J. M. Parrott delivered an address on the Liberty Loan. Miss Mary G. Shotwell, assistant superintendent of schools, discussed the coming registration of women. Mrs. J. F. Parrott, chairman of the Women's Council of Defense for the County spoke for service on food conservation. Farm Demonstration Agent Sears and Miss Gray, home demonstration agent, both of Craven County, who were judges, pointed out to the exhibitors why they won or lost. For instance, two jars of preserves were placed side by side, and the merits of the better and the shortcomings of the inferior were shown up. Dr. J. S. Mitchener and Dr. Smillie gave health lectures and illustrated them with slides. O. F. McCrary, district farm demonstration agent for the Eastern district, was present. He was demonstration agent here until recently, and just could not stay away from the fair. A big dinner was served at noon. A number of people from Kinston were present. During the afternoon plays, games and songs were to be presented in a program by the school children, with a basketball game between Woodington and Pink Hill fives winding up the program. President of the Woodington association is Blackledge Harper. Charles Stroud is the vice-president. Roland Miller is secretary and treasurer. The executive committee is comprised by Brown Williams, Charles R. Stroud, Lute Jackson, Everett Stroud, Leon Spain, W. E. Becton, Clarence Humphrey, E. L. Rouse, J. T. Spence, Furney Davenport, Mesdames Fred. Sutton, Lute Jackson, James Cunningham, Mark Smith, R. E. Whitacre, Edgar Gooding, Lake Rouse and F. G. Spence and Miss Bettie Blizard, with J. J. Harper as chairman of the men and Mrs. Egbert Waller as chairman of the women.

PUBLIC ASKED NOT GO WILD OVER COAL

(By the United Press) Washington, Oct. 19.—Patriotic sacrifices by the public with regard to coal as with food, will be necessary this Winter, says the fuel administration. The public is asked not to grow hysterical about the admittedly serious coal shortage in many cities. Fuel will be supplied for every domestic war emergency need, it is stated.

Dozens of Prizes for Horses to Be Given at the Fair

Many prizes are being offered by the Department of Live Stock of the Fair Association for best exhibits at next week's big event. At the head of the department are Messrs. J. H. Mewborn, chairman; R. F. Hill, W. T. Moseley, J. P. Hardee, O. F. McCrary and Dr. C. B. McNairy. Following are the premiums offered for horses: Premiums for Standard Bred Horses. 1st. 2nd. Best stallion\$5.00 \$2.00 Best mare and foal 5.00 2.00 Best yearling colt 3.00 1.00 Best two-year-old colt ... 3.00 1.00 Draft Horses. Best stallion\$5.00 \$2.00 Best mare and foal 5.00 2.00 Best yearling colt 3.00 1.00 Best two-year-old colt ... 3.00 1.00 Best jack for breeding ... 5.00 2.00 Premiums for Farm and Driving Horses. Best mare and foal\$5.00 \$2.00 Best yearling colt 5.00 2.00 Best two-year-old colt ... 5.00 2.00 Best mule colt under two years 5.00 2.00 Best mule colt 2 years old 5.00 2.00 Best pair mule colts 5.00 2.00 Best saddle horse or mare 5.00 2.00 Best buggy horse or mare 5.00 2.00 Best pair buggy team horses 5.00 2.00 Best pair draft horses ... 5.00 2.00 Best pair mules 3.00 1.00 Best single mule 3.00 1.00 Best pony in harness 3.00 1.00 Best pony in saddle 3.00 1.00 Best pony colt 3.00 1.00

Many Premiums for School Exhibits at Tobacco Belt Fair

The Educational Department of the Ten-County Fair is offering scores of cash prizes for best exhibits at the big event here next week. The directors are Miss Mary Shotwell, chairman; Prof. K. R. Curtis, Misses Alice Tull, Mary Watson and Jennie Shaw and Mrs. W. T. Moseley. "Exhibits by schools" must be exclusively the work of the pupils (except collections of nature specimens) actually attending the school, and the work must have been done since December, 1915. Prizes for school exhibits are \$5 each. Prizes in the school improvement contest range from \$1 to \$5. Prizes for individual exhibits range from 50 cents to \$2. Community exhibit prizes run as high as \$15.

COTTON

Friday was the biggest day of the season so far on the local market. Receipts were around 125 bales. Prices ranged from 27 1-4 to 27.45. The market closed a very little off from Thursday's closing. Futures quotations were: Open. Close. March 27.15 26.91 May 27.00 26.85 July 26.75 26.72 October 28.25 28.17 December 27.70 27.54 The New York exchange will be closed after noon next Wednesday, Liberty Loan Day. Subscribe to The Free Press.

GREAT SUBMARINES HOLD UP FOODSHIPS AND ROB THEM NOW

Large Enough to Carry Plunder to Germany After Sinking Victims

OPERATING IN COUPLES

New U-boats Displace 1,500 Tons — Working Hundreds of Miles Beyond Former Danger Zone— Grave Menace to Be Met

(By the United Press)

London, Oct. 19.—Germany's giant U-boats now are robbing the foodships of their cargoes, stowing these within the submarine holds and then sinking the unfortunate victims, it is learned. This new development of ruthless undersea warfare is told about in confidential embassy reports. Using 1,500 ton vessels, apparently in pairs, the Germans are operating off the beaten track, apparently several hundred miles outside the old danger zone around Great Britain and France. The newer U-boats are sufficiently large to permit stowage of a large portion of the captured cargo.

BULLETINS

(By the United Press)

ALIEN PROPERTY CUSTODIAN. Washington, Oct. 19.—A. Mitchell Palmer, former Pennsylvania congressman, was today named by President Wilson alien property custodian under the enemy trading law.

NEW FRENCH LOAN. Washington, Oct. 19.—The Treasury Department announced a loan of \$20,000,000 to France, bringing France's total to \$770,000,000 and the grand Allied total to \$2,731,400,000.

CONSTANTINE IN BAD WAY. Zurich, Oct. 19.—Former King Constantine of Greece is reported to be in a critical condition following an operation as the result of the reopening of the old wound in his side.

GERMAN SOCIALISTS WANT DEMOCRACY; A BETTER DAY COMING

"Then We Won't Wage Wars for Flanders and Other Territories But Will Fight for the World's Sympathies — Power

(By the United Press)

Amsterdam, Oct. 19.—"We want democracy and the administration of constitutional freedom within the empire. Then we won't wage wars for Flanders and other territories but will fight for the world's sympathies," declared Phillip Schiedemann at Wurzburg at a Majority Socialists' conference, say dispatches received here. He predicted that the Socialist Democratic party "would obtain political power after the war."

TRAINS RUNNING IN ARGENTINA AT LAST

By Charles P. Stewart (United Press Staff Correspondent) Buenos Aires, Oct. 19.—For the first time in 24 days some trains are running in Argentina, marking the government's first successful step in combating the general strike. All those operating are under heavy military guard.

It's Disgraceful the Cops are Allowed to Shoot Dogs Like This

"What are you doing out here acting like this?" Police Chief Skinner asked a disorderly canine kicking up in North Kinston Thursday morning. "I've got a lot of work to do," replied Bow-wow. "I've been sent out to aid the German cause by spreading hydrophobia. Do every little thing possible to demoralize the American people. If you can throw a citizen into fits and cause him to croak, you're doing your bit. A lot of little things like that make the world safer for the Kaiser. There's no telling how many dogs I've bit this morning. It's a little too early for the kiddies yet. However, there's a school about a block and a half away, and if you'll keep out of this business until about 10 o'clock I may get in some real good work." "You ought to be ashamed of yourself," said Skinner, who did not feel very well, having retired late and been dragged out at 6 a. m. to deal with the canine disturber, and who was standing on the cool pavement in his bare feet. "Oh, g'wan. Would you deprive a fellow of a little pleasure like this? I'm primed fellow. Look at me. My lower jaw is out of plumb. See how nervous I am. Look at the saliva, with which I inoculate my victims, dripping from my mouth. Why, man, 90 per cent. of the bell-barkers and moonhowlers in town are prowling out for their constitutions now. I've got to hurry. Big doings before me. Gangway! Make room. I hear the inspired summuns." "Don't kill every innocent little fido who happens to be frothing at the mouth, has badly upset eyes, twitches and twists, snaps at everything and bites horses, dogs, cats, children and everything else in sight." Skinner recalled that as S. P. C. A. advice. "You never can tell. Something else might be ailing the purp. Give 'im a chance." More of the advice that Skinner had read. So he was in quandary what to do. True, there had been bunches of rabid dogs here in the past month. Only Tuesday he had learned from the Pasteur Institute that a dog which bit a child and attacked several others was a rank specimen. Also, he knew that scores of other dogs had been bitten by mad dogs. Then, too, there are persons in Kinston who have always thought more of their dogs than other people's children. (He knew in his mind that such a person was worse than a dog.) The chief was up against it. "If you're representing Germany I've got to shoot you," he finally announced, framing up a flimsy excuse. "Look out," yelled the dog. "Look out! I tried to bite Ed. Wallace and he wouldn't stand still long enough. I've got to get something right quick. Don't stand in my way and deprive me of my personal rights. I'll report you to the aldermen. They allow me to run around and don't seem to care about it; why should you? Then he snarled like a mail plane for two peaceable canine citizens who were discussing the weather a short distance away. Skinner is a pretty fair shot and bowled over the enemy agent in transit. He may not have thought this or he may have: "It's bad to have to plug somebody's innocent little pet like that just because he has hydrophobia and might bite two or three babies from the Primary School. If there were any kick I might not be upheld."

WHOLE REGIMENT OF TEUTONS GIVES UP

(By the United Press) Washington, Oct. 19.—One entire regiment of Austrians with their officers at its head, carrying their own arms, has surrendered to the Roumanians along the Russo-Roumanian front, say cables received here.

Listen, Children, I've a Story, Etc. Serious Business

The baby show at the fair will be a treat. The entries are piling up fast. There is plenty of room. There will be skillful examiners on hand to grade the prides of families. Children who were examined last year should be reexamined this time to see whether they are progressing properly or retrogressing. Every pair of parents is invited to exhibit as many youngsters as they may have between the ages of six months and four years. The baby show should be the big feature of the fair. It should be, although it may not. Who wouldn't find an assemblage of a hundred or more tots, all dressed up and working hard to get undressed, an interesting sight? The kid is the masterpiece of creation. As an infant he has suffered all the things that his elders have and then some, and always without uttering a word of protest. Since Herod tried to exterminate him his parents have been trying to do the same by feeding him pork, coconut pie and unfiltered milk, inciting flies to bite him and letting him wallow in germy grime. The baby show will try to prove that this is wrong. It will be educational. It will have for its motto, "Do better by your darling. If he gets a packing case on his foot and can't get it off, investigate; don't let him stand and howl. If he wants to help clear the table off, grabs up a plate and dumps the contents on the floor, waddling over to you with the greasy side of the plate clasped firmly against his little bosom, don't lick him. If, when he starts to go to bed, he starts seriously about taking a stove, a sad iron and a pair and a half of old shoes with him, don't let him,—they're not healthy bedfellows." The committee in charge issues the following: (Continued on page three)

PETROGRAD MAY BE CAPTURED IF ENEMY CONTINUES TO GAIN

Reval, One of Three Big Naval Defensive Points, Being Evacuated

RUSS MINES TAKE TOLL

Two More Small Ships Lost By Attackers — Great Strength of Germans Now Realized — (Worse Menace Than First Tho't

(By the United Press)

Petrograd, Oct. 19.—Evacuation by the Russians of the naval base of Reval was begun Tuesday, the newspaper Novoye Vremia today declared. Withdrawal of the Russian forces was necessitated by operations of Germany's fleet off the Gulf of Riga, threatening a naval campaign against the Gulf of Finland.

Evacuation of Reval, if confirmed, would appear to indicate an even greater menace to Russia by the German Baltic fleet than its victories so far have indicated. Reval is the first of the naval bases a hostile fleet intent on penetrating the Gulf of Finland would encounter. It is only 200 miles from Petrograd. Three naval stations command the Gulf of Finland and constitute the defenses of Petrograd—Reval, Viborg and Kronstadt. Evacuation of Reval indicates realization of the great strength of the attacking fleet and fear of a flanking attack by landing of German troops opposite Moon Island.

Two German Boats Sunk

Petrograd, Oct. 19.—Two German torpedo boats were sunk in the Moon Sound mine fields yesterday, says an official announcement.

TOBACCO

About 200,000 or 225,000 pounds was sold Friday. High prices prevailed. Big breaks are looked for on Monday, the next open day, because of Tuesday being a local holiday.

COLONEL WOOTEN MARCH ED WITH FIRST CONTING'NT ARMED FOREIGN TROOPS THROUGH LOND'N STREETS SINCE 1688; ENGLAND PICTURESQUE AND BEAUTIFUL

Letters from Col. W. P. Wooten, U. S. Engineers, now in command of a large unit of the American forces in France, to his mother, Mrs. S. S. Wooten of LaGrange, make interesting reading; that is, such excerpts as can be printed. Col. Wooten's command is a regiment of the railroad engineers. Constructive, not destructive work, is the Lenoir County man's line in Europe. On August 8 Col. Wooten and his officers and men were "at sea about two days out from—". They had had a very pleasant and comfortable trip most of the way over. But "from now on comes the critical part of the trip. If you get this you will know that we got in safely. From now on we wear life preservers all the time and get up at 3:30 a. m. so as to be on deck if we are struck by a submarine. We don't anticipate any trouble, though." He did not state so, but Col. Wooten probably was imposing supreme confidence in the navy of his country, whose lank gray destroyers and cruisers were trailing the Stars and Stripes protectingly on the flanks and in the van and rear of the troop fleet. How thoroughly the navy did its job is history now. August 12 saw the regiment in camp at a place in England. Their tents had already been pitched and the Americans lost no time getting to sleep. There were in all four regiments of the U. S. A. The four American colonels went to call on the British district commander and motored to London to pay their respects to the ambassador. "London is about 45 miles from here. The drive was certainly a beautiful one." Hedges cut up the country into small fields. Everything is under cultivation, beautifully kept and neat. "The houses of even the poorest laborers are picturesque and attractive. All have small flower hardens and are of ivy-covered brick, usually." The country is rolling with small hills and is "charming in its appearance." The four regiments marched through London, past the embassy and Buckingham palace. At the latter place "the King and Queen reviewed us." "We were the first foreign troops" to march "through London under arms since 1688." After the review the Americans were given refreshments at a park. "I met Lord Derby, who holds a position corresponding to that of our Secretary of War, and also had a short talk with the American ambassador, Mr. Page. Every one was very enthusiastic over the showing we made, and from several sources I heard that my regiment made the best appearance of any of them. We were certainly enthusiastically and hospitably received in London." Almost no able-bodied men in civilian clothes were to be seen; "they are all at the front." (The second of several stories based on Col. Wooten's experiences in Europe will be printed in The Free Press Saturday.)