

POSSIBLE TO LOSE THE WAR OVER HERE

As the Stay-at-Home Army Thinks and Feels, So Does the Army at the Front. The War Must First be Won Over Here

Did you know that the war could be lost over here as easily, or more so, as over there? While the actual fighting takes place on the fields of France, most of that which goes into the fight, to win or lose it, takes place over here.

There are hundreds of ways in which America can lose out in winning the war and 90 per cent of these are dependent upon those who stay at home. The stay-at-home army largely determines whether the army at the front loses or wins. In the first place, the soldiers over there must have supplies and must have these in sufficient quantity and quality to make them the most efficient fighting men possible. They must have clothing of the proper texture summer and winter to protect them and yet not encumber them. They must have mental and moral recreation, but above all else, they must have that courage of the soul, known as morale, that comes from the people at home.

As the army feels over here, so it feels over there. As strong as grows its determination to win over here, so determined are they to win over there. Whatever is done, said or felt over here has its effect over there. Therefore, it behooves every American citizen, American soldier that he himself is, as ready to make sacrifices as to expect it of them, and that he himself is, as ready to make of the Government as they who gave up their homes and loved ones and offered themselves to their country's cause.

Probably the greatest call that has come to the people of this country is to save and serve. Every individual has been called on to practice economy and refrain from spending money for things not essential to health and efficiency, not only that the Government may have all surplus money to finance the war but that labor engaged in the making of these things may be released for making material needed to win the war. The person who does without, who saves his money where he used to spend it, who makes personal sacrifices for his country's sake, is indeed today the real, true patriot. He is rendering a service in keeping with that of the soldier at the front. On the other hand, he who is selfish and insists on living as he did before the war, who criticizes the Government, who has not time for war work, who heeds no call of the Government,—he is a greater enemy than the Hun across No Man's Land. In fact, if America loses in the war it will be her enemies over here and not over there that made losing possible.

Only One Thing to Do First—Lick Germany.

When we would make plans for the future and think of peace, we are confronted with the one big fact that Germany is not yet licked, and that

nothing else should have right of way in our time and thought till this one thing is accomplished. Mr. Frank Crane, in the Chicago Daily News, recently told how important it is to do this thing first. He says:

"Yes, I know, Peace is a grand thing. I am a pacifist, on general principles. But what would be the use of peace now, with a horde of 3,000,000 brutes, led by a bunch of egotistic scoundrels, stamping over the earth with hob-nailed boots? We've got to lick Germany before we can get any kind of peace that is tolerable."

Look at the Russians. They threw down their arms and extended the friendly hand to the Huns, and smiled, and said, "Now, we'll all quit. See! We begin." It was a most Christian act. What was the answer? Germany kicked them in the face. The Germans invaded their territory, burned their towns, killed their men, robbed them, laughed at them, lied to them, spread the pernicious propaganda among their people, and Russia today is a seething madhouse. So just hold steady awhile on socialism. We've got to lick Germany first.

"Ireland wants to be free and all that. We sympathize with her. But we've got to lick Germany first. What's the good of a free Ireland, with Germany ruling England? Does Ireland want to swap Lloyd George for the Kaiser?"

"Sweden is starving. Holland and Denmark are in straits. We'd like to help them. But we've got to lick Germany first."

"We cannot aid the Belgians to rebuild their houses and get their people back from slavery until we lick Germany."

"We want France and Italy and Serbia and Roumania and Poland and Armenia rescued from the horror of war, from hunger and want and massacre. But we must lick Germany first."

"We'd like ocean travel made safe and commerce freed from piracy, but we've got to lick Germany first."

"We wish our soldier boys were back home. We need them. Wives, mothers, sweethearts, fathers need them. Farms and shops need them. But we've got to lick Germany first. Any way you turn, you find we've got to lick Germany first."

"Whatever reform you want, whatever nuisance should be abated, we run up against the same prime necessity. We've got to lick Germany first."

"Sure! It's all coming out right. We shall some day have peace on earth and good will to men. But we've got to lick Germany first."

"Don't wait dinner for us; we can't be with you at the ball; and telephone the undertaker, please, that he needn't come around yet awhile. We've just naturally got to lick Germany first."

THE OXFORD BOYS PLAY GOOD BALL IN FRANCE

The Most of the Names in the 120th Machine Gun Company Are Familiar To the People of Oxford and Granville County.

The following letter was written by our young friend, Sergeant Charles G. Powell, son of Mr. J. B. Powell Registrar of Deeds, and mailed some where overseas on July 8:

The Letter.
Dear Public Ledger:
Although we are in a country where war is the biggest game, the grand old game of baseball is still being "carried on" by the lovers of America's National game.

I am sending you the line up and box scores of three games the 120th Machine Gun Company played and won, hoping that they may interest the people who have relatives and friends in our company.

The first game was played Sunday, June 30th, 1918, which we won by the score of 8 to 4. Sergeants Railroad Speed and John G. Mitchell formed the battery for all three games and they did their work well. The first game was featured by the fielding of Corporal G. Waverly Harris.

The second game was played Thursday, July 4, 1918, which we won by the score of 6 to 2. The special features of the second game were the masterful pitching of Sergeant Speed, the hitting of Corporal G. Waverly Harris and the Powell brothers, Sergeants John R. Mitchiner and William Medford furnished a lot of spice to the games by their strong rooting for the 120th.

The third game was played Sunday

July 7, 1918, which we won, after a ten inning battle, by the score of 4 to 2. The features of this game were the masterful work of our battery, Sergeants Speed and Mitchell, the timely hitting of Corporal G. Waverly Harris and the all around good playing of the entire team. Sergeant "Pete" Mitchiner, Jr., was again chief rooter and performed his duties with grace and ability.

This gives us the championship of the 30th Division and we have issued a challenge to any company of the A. E. F., in this sector, to play for the same.

Line up and box scores of the three games follows:

(first game)
M. G. CO., 120TH.
ab r h o a e
Powell, W. H., ss... 4 1 2 0 2 0
Mitchell, Jno., c... 5 1 2 5 1 0
Harris, Waverly, 3b... 4 1 2 1 3
Speed, A. R., p... 4 1 2 1 2 0
Young, N. A., 1b... 4 1 0 14 1 0
Powell, C. G., 2b... 4 1 2 3 9 0
Thompson, C. W., lf... 4 1 0 1 0 0
Jackson, E. G., rf... 4 2 3 1 0 0
Hunsucker, C., cf... 4 0 0 1 0 2

Total 37 8132718 2
M. G. CO., 117TH.
ab r h o a e
Hall, ss 4 1 1 0 2 1
Hicks, 2b 4 0 1 1 2 3
Anderson, cf 4 0 0 2 1 0
Compton, rf 4 1 2 1 0 0
Quillen, 2b 4 1 1 14 2 0
Caruthers, 3b 4 0 0 3 0 0
Mitchell, cf 3 0 1 4 0 0
Allison, c 3 0 0 4 2 1
Bivens, b 3 1 1 1 4 1

Total 33 4 72717 5
M. G. 120th 8
M. G. 117th 4
Batteries Speed and Mitchell; Bivens and Mitchell. Base on balls out Speed, 1; Bivens, 5. Struck out by Speed, 10; Bivens, 2. Wild pitch, Bivens, 2.

(second game)
M. G. CO., 120TH.
ab r h o a e
Powell, W. H., ss... 4 1 3 1 2 0
Mitchell, John, c... 4 1 2 3 1 0
Harris, Waverly, 3b... 4 1 3 1 2 0
Speed, R. R., p... 4 1 1 0 1 0
Young, N. A., 1b... 4 0 0 14 2 0
Powell, Chas., b... 4 1 3 3 5 0
Thompson, C. W., lf... 4 0 0 2 0 0
Jackson, E. J., rf... 5 0 0 1 0 1
Hunsucker, C., cf... 4 1 0 2 1 1

Total 37 6122714 2
M. G. CO., 117TH.
ab r h o a e
Hall, ss 4 1 1 1 3 0
Hicks, 2b 4 0 0 0 2 0
Anderson, p 4 1 1 1 1 0
Compton, rf 4 0 1 3 0 0
Quillen, 1b 4 0 0 14 1 1
Mitchell, lf 4 0 1 3 0 0
Allison, c 4 0 0 2 0 1
Crathers, 3b 4 0 0 1 1 0
Bivens, cf 4 0 0 2 0 0

Total 36 2 427 8 2
M. G. Co., 120th 6
M. G. Co., 117th 2
Batteries: Speed and Mitchell; Anderson and Allison. Bore on ball, off Speed 0; Anderson 2. Struck out by Speed, 12; Anderson, 3.

(third game)
M. G. CO., 120TH.
ab r h o a e
Powell, W. H., ss... 5 1 2 2 3 0
Mitchell, John, c... 5 0 1 1 6 0
Harris, Waverly, 3b... 5 2 3 0 2 0
Speed, R. R., p... 5 1 2 1 1 0
Young, N. A., 1b... 5 0 0 17 0 0
Powell, Chas., 2b... 4 0 1 3 5 0
Thompson, C. W., lf... 5 0 1 1 0 0
Jackson, E. J., rf... 4 0 1 1 0 0
Medford, John W., cf... 4 0 1 1 2 0

Total 42 4122719 0
M. G. CO., 117TH.
ab r h o a e
Hall, ss 5 1 1 2 3 0
Hicks, 2b 5 0 0 1 2 1
Anderson, cf 5 0 2 3 0 0
Compton, rf 5 1 1 2 0 0
Quillen, 1b 5 0 0 14 3 0
Crathers, 3b 5 0 0 0 4 0
Mitchell, lf 4 0 1 2 0 0
Allison, c 4 0 0 3 5 1
Bivens, p 4 0 1 0 3 0

Total 42 2 72720 2
M. G. Co., 120th 4
M. G. Co., 117th 2
Batteries: Speed and Mitchell; Bivens and Allison; Bore on ball off Speed, 2; Bivens, 3. Struck out by Speed, 11; Bivens, 4.

WAR PRICES IN THE SIXTIES

People Who Lived In Granville During the War Between the States Recall Some of the Hardships and Privations.

While complaining of high prices charged for food stuffs during the present war period, we forget that all wars create relatively the same conditions.

Some of the aged citizens tell us that one small biscuit on Sunday

What Is a Home?

A Home is a place where there is love, furniture and a Kingsdown Mattress and Sagless Springs.

Hughes-Smaw Furniture Co.

have them.

Kingsdown Felt Mattress \$25.00.

Sagless Springs \$6.00.

LABOR IS SCARCE.

On account of the scarcity of skilled labor and raw materials in the large Optical Grinding Plants and the rapid growth of my Optical Business, it has become necessary for me to install machinery for grinding and drilling my own Lenses that I may be able to give my trade better and quicker service.

Thanking my friends and the public for their liberal patronage and soliciting a continuation of the same in the future, I am yours for best service,

J. W. KNIGHT.

THE OPTOMETRIST.
6 College Street, Oxford, N. C.

morning was the limit; that the pork barrel was empty and that they lived for weeks at a time on corn bread and molasses.

An idea of prices at that time can be gained from the following quotations taken from the market report for district No. 4, including Alleghany, Watauga, McDowell and Rutherford counties under date compiled for the State Literary and Historical society year book and are authentic:

- Meal \$3.65 per bg. of 68 lbs; bacon \$1.00 per lb; pork net, \$60.00 per hundred lbs; pork gross, \$50.00 per 100 lbs; lard \$1.00 per lb; wheat (choice white) \$5.50 per bu. of 60 lbs.; flour (first quality superfine), \$27.00 per bbl. of 196 lbs.; wheat bran 50c per bu. of 17 lbs.; shorts 75c per bu. of 28 lbs.; rye, clean, \$3.50 per bu. of 56 lbs.; peas \$3.50 per bu. measured; beans \$3.50 per bu. measured; potatoes sweet, \$4.00 per bu. measured; potatoes, irish \$2.50 per bu. measured; dried peaches peeled \$8.50 per bu. of 38 lbs.; dried peaches, unpeeled \$4.50 per bu. of 38 lbs.; dried apples, \$4.00 per bu. of 28 lbs.; onions \$6.00 per bu. measured; straw wheat and rye, \$1.00 per 100 lbs.; horses first quality artillery, \$500.00 per head; horses, second quality artillery \$400.00 per head; wool, fair washed, \$4.00 per lb.; salt, dry and clean \$22.00 per 50 lbs.; vinegar 40c per gal.; sugar \$1.75 per lb.; molasses \$8.50 per gallon; coffee \$3.50 per lb.; tea \$10.00 per lb.

REMEMBER, WE HAVE IT AND few have, and the price we got, and we ship quick, GALVANIZED ROOFING & GALVANIZED SHINGLES. SAMUEL DAVIS, the man who saves you money.

First motor truck to start across the continent laden with military supplies en route from Australia to France, left the Golden Gate July 17, for New York via the Lincoln Highway. The ocean to ocean haul is being made by a Maxwell Truck in co-operation with army authorities of the United States Government and is laid out in schedule that will convey the load from coast to coast at the rate of 100 miles a day.

INVITING PRICES.

- Porch Swings, Porch Shades, with anchor cords, and Porch Rockers At a Bargain during the month of August.

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