

GREAT LOAN DRIVE NOW UNDER WAY

GRANVILLE COUNTY WILL GO OVER THE TOP.

The Stage Has Been Set and In Every City, Town, Village and Hamlet in the United States Volunteers Have Begun the Work of Taking Subscriptions—Granville Has Already Subscribed One-Third of its Quota—Team-Workers, in Autos, Will Leave the Court House For All Parts of the County Early Wednesday Morning.

The drive for the Fourth Liberty Loan is on in earnest. Never before in Granville county was there a more perfect organization and more enthusiasm. During the past week the business men of Oxford dined together and talked bonds; dozens of speeches were delivered on the warehouse floors by our best local speakers; lady singers, under the guidance of Mrs. A. A. Hicks mounted on a motor truck, paraded the streets and sang patriotic songs while the church bells and the steam whistles sounded a solemn note. Thus was the Fourth Liberty Loan Drive insured in here Saturday, and before the close of the day seventy-five thousand dollars was subscribed.

The Liberty Loan Train.

Promptly at 1:15 o'clock Sunday afternoon the Liberty Loan Train pulled in at the Southern station. There were five soldiers aboard and they, with the management of the exhibit, drove to the Exchange Hotel where they enjoyed a sumptuous dinner. A bevy of Red Cross girls from Clarksville accompanied the soldiers to Oxford and returned home on the evening train.

There was such a jam at the railway station only a small proportion of the crowd heard the speeches or saw the relics from the battlefields, but Mr. W. T. Yancey and his committee was successful in securing in round numbers \$100,000 to the Fourth Liberty Loan.

The Big Drive Wednesday.

With one-third of Granville's quota already in hand, the committee feels that there will be no trouble in securing the remainder on Wednesday, the day set apart for the big drive in the rural districts of the county. The autos have been secured for this occasion, and the working teams are in readiness for the start. The loan is the best that has ever been floated upon the face of the earth, and lucky indeed are those who buy the bonds. Be in a position to tell the committee at once the amount you wish to invest, so that they can drive to the next house. "A Liberty Bond in Every Hand in Every Home in Granville County" is the slogan.

MAJOR STEDMAN'S OPPONENT.

The Republican Candidate Spends Day in Oxford.

While Hon. Charles M. Stedman, representative of this Congressional District, who is chairman of Foreign Affairs is busy at his post of duty, in Washington, Mr. J. W. Kurfees, of Germantown, the Republican candidate for Congress, is going up and down the district telling the voters that Major Stedman is a "slacker." He spent one day last week in Oxford.

We met Mr. Kurfees for the first time and we are frank to admit that he does not measure up to our expectation as representative material, and now that he is assailing the record of Major Stedman, and this in direct contradiction of the pages of the Congressional Record, renders him odious in the sight of all men who care to know the truth of the matter. There are hundred of republicans in the district head and shoulder above Mr. Kurfees, and we commend them for not coming forward at a time of our National crisis and endeavor to precipitate a campaign.

Now that Mr. Kurfees is sowing the seed of discontent throughout the district in secret, it becomes the duty of Major Stedman's friends to go to the polls on election day. The friends of Major Stedman here do not regard Kurfees with any degree of seriousness, but you can't always tell what is being said and done in the dark; while on the other hand, the record of Major Stedman is an open letter.

TANK CAMP AT RALEIGH NAMED FOR COLONEL POLK

War Department Honors Revolutionary Hero Who Lived Near the Present Site of Raleigh.

Camp Polk will be the name of the new camp at Raleigh where the army will train its tank corps. William Polk, a hero of the Revolutionary war who lived in North Carolina near where the city of Raleigh now stands.

NO COMMISSIONS GRANTED

Drafted Men Must First Become Privates.

Physically fit men between 18 and 45 years of age who are placed in class one by local draft boards, cannot become candidates for commissions in the army until they have been inducted into the army as privates, under rulings of the adjutant general and superseding previous orders.

"Cash and Carry" savings equal the interest on a safe investment.

The Very Stuff of Victory

The materialist has said buying Liberty Bonds signifies nothing.

He looks upon each issue as representing an investment which has no equal today in all the world.

Consequently, he views their purchase as involving no sacrifice nor deserving of credit. As far as his vision lets him see he is right. But unfortunate is he, indeed, who cannot look beyond the simple action and recognize the full power of the motive.

That these bonds are the greatest investment in the world may rightly be laid at the feet of good fortune, because they are the promise-to-pay-with-interest of the greatest government in the world, backed by the most tremendous resources in the world.

Such, however, is not the great overwhelming and impelling reason that millions of red-white-and-blue men and women now own billions of dollars of Liberty Bonds and in this Fourth Liberty Loan are subscribing for billions more.

The motive is a far deeper one. It transcends all material considerations and its fabric is the very stuff of victory.

For Liberty Bonds to the great host of American men and women represent work accomplished, thrift acquired, money saved and devoted without stint or limit to that greatest purpose which shall finally achieve victory over organized force inimical to the peace of the world.

So when your dollars are invested in United States Government Bonds of the Fourth Liberty Loan, though they are invested in the most wonderful investment in the world, they become more than ordinary dollars because they are then the concrete expression of a hallowed purpose and dedicated to its achievement, the very stuff of victory.

THIS SPACE SUBSCRIBED TO WINNING THE WAR BY

THE GRANVILLE COUNTY LIBERTY LOAN COMMITTEE.

A DELAY IS EXPECTED IN DRAWING ORDER

Task of Taking 13,000,000 "Pills" From Bowl Involves 26 Hours (Washington Special.)

A new system of giving the order in which draft numbers are drawn from the big glass bowl at the Capitol is being worked out, and it is likely the full list of numbers will not be made public until five days after the drawing takes place.

New Program.

Representatives of the committee on public information, the provost marshal general's office and the news associations are working on a program to meet the unusual situation presented by the large number of "pills" to be drawn, due to the heavy registration.

It will not be possible to flash the order in which numbers are drawn over the press wires, as on previous occasions, as it is estimated the process will involve twenty-six hours of constant drawing and use of the telegraph wires of the press associations for a corresponding period. If the press wires are tied up on the draft numbers for such a long time it would mean serious demoralization of all other news service.

Drawing This Week.

The drawing is expected to take place this week, probably on Wednesday. This is the date originally forecast by General Crowder, and the manner in which the States are reporting to him indicates it may be possible to hold the drawing then. The plan under consideration provides that only the first twelve or fifteen numbers drawn from the bowl by prominent officials shall be sent out over the wires. The remainder will be compiled in printed lists by a special force at the Government printing office and mailed to the newspapers for publication on the fifth day following the drawing. This it is intended, will prevent a demoralization of the news service out of Washington and will enable every newspaper to have an equal opportunity of printing the full list as drawn.

Regular meeting of the Oxford Woman's Club will be held Wednesday evening in the Oxford Library.

HON. FRANK G. O'DELL AT THE COURT HOUSE

Wounded Soldier Back From the Front, Will Speak This Tuesday Night.

Hon. Frank G. O'Dell, a wounded soldier back from the trenches, will speak in the Court House this Tuesday night at eight o'clock. He is an orator of note and it will be worthwhile to hear him.

ALLIES ENTERING GERMANY ON THE SOUTH SIDE

Landing Army Stores Where Apostolic Fishermen Cast Their Nets—Good Samaritans Outside the Gates of Gaza.

The theory that military expeditions remote from France would prevent the war from being fought to a clean-cut decision on the western front has been shattered with the Turkish army in the hills of Palestine. It is indeed the elimination of the loose ends of the world struggle that will bring us closer to its crux.

Authentic reports indicate that Allenby has virtually annihilated two Turkish armies, the Porte's chief military arm. Forty thousand Ottomans have been trapped. The release of all Syria from the Sultan's rule is imminent. Turkey as a factor in the war has suddenly become almost negligible. The British advance of sixty miles in a week is a triumph as categorical as it is relatively new in this war.

In the Balkans the Bulgarian power is crumbling, with the Franco-Serbian driving ahead at the rate of twenty-five miles a day already astride the single railway from Uskub to Salonica. Turkey and Czar Ferdinand's pestiferous "empire" are being ruled out of the conflict.

The fall of St. Quentin, when it comes, as it inevitably will, will thus have a new import. It means the dashing of German hopes in the place where they are concentrated. Looking far ahead for comfort will be vain. The western front, partly because of distant triumphs, becomes the war's barometer.

HOPES ENTERTAINED FOR SERGEANT WINFELD TAYLOR

British-American Tobacco Company Looking Him Up.

Having not heard from Sergt. Winfield Taylor, American Marine, A. E. F., for five months, his brother, Mr. Kerr Taylor, some time ago addressed a letter to the British American Tobacco Company, London, requesting them to search the records of the war department.

Mr. Taylor last week received a letter from the London company in which it stated that there is no report as to Sergt. Taylor being dead, wounded or missing.

The parents and friends of Sergt. Taylor were much encouraged by the above report of September 10th, but the fact that no letter has been received from this splendid soldier boy for five months, causes deep concern.

Before enlisting in the Marines, Sergt. Taylor was with the Export Tobacco Company, with headquarters in Petersburg. The company, too, is interested in the search for him and will leave no stone unturned to find him if alive.

REGISTRATION IN NORTH CAROLINA WAS 261,608

Complete returns from North Carolina in the recent enrollment of men between the ages of 18 and 45 led Provost Marshal General Crowder to announce that it is plain that every living man of registration age came forward. North Carolina's total enrollment was 261,608. General Crowder estimated that the enrollment in this State would be 263,242.

HEALTH OF SOLDIERS GOOD

Surgeon General Reports Death Rate Far Below That of Civilians

Health of American troops at home and overseas continues remarkably good. The surgeon general announced Thursday that for the two month period ended August 31 the death rate of the entire army was 2.18, compared with that of civilians of military age of 6.7.

Health conditions are better among soldiers overseas than at home. This is due, the surgeon general said, to the fact that only men of the best physical condition are sent to France.

GERMANS RETREAT ON 250-MILE FRONT

THE BACKBONE OF THE CENTRAL POWERS BROKEN.

Bulgarian Acceptance of the Conditions Spells the End of Teuton Dreams in the Near West, and Allies Will Proceed to Put on the Finishing Touches.

Paris, Oct. 1.—The Bulgarian armistice has been signed.

The terms laid down by the Allies were reported to be as follows:

Surrender of all Bulgarian forces outside Bulgarian territory and demobilization of the army within.

Complete breaking with Germany, Austria, and Turkey.

Free access of Allied forces to Bulgarian territory.

(Paris Special.)

French, British and American and Belgian troops in the last three days have captured 40,000 prisoners and 300 guns it is estimated here. Since July 18 the allies have captured 200,000 prisoners, 3,000 guns, 20,000 machine guns and enormous quantities of material. This does not take into account the operations in Macedonia and Palestine.

Bulgars Want Peace.

London, Sept. 30.—The news from Bulgaria which comes through various channels compels the belief that the Prussia of the Balkans is not merely seeking a breathing spell but really wants peace. All the evidence indicates that she needs it grievously and must have it.

The German pretense that Premier Malinoff was acting on this report find no confirmation. King Ferdinand's crown is at stake and he is trying to save his dynasty.

The Bulgarian finance minister and commander in chief are now on their way to the front, according to the newspaper Vaterland, which adds that an American attache will participate in the negotiations. While Bulgaria has been disintegrating for months as a factor in the war her military defeat has brought matters swiftly to a crisis. Her three armies are separated and not only are beaten but two of them are scattered in flight with their German allies sharing the same fate. Yesterday's official report from the front speaks of the number of prisoners taken and points out that most of them were Germans.

Occupation of Sofia by allied troops is a possibility of the near future.

The Terms Offered Bulgaria.

The terms of the allies are plain but stringent. Bulgaria will not be allowed to withdraw from the war and assume the position of a near neutral. She must surrender and give up what territory she has gained by arms as well as some privileges of transit and the same usefulness she yielded to Germany while professing neutrality. There is even a suggestion that she may be required to use her army on the side of the entente.

Germany's Darkest Hour.

(Amsterdam Special.) "Germany's most serious hour seems to have struck," declared the Lokal Anzeiger of Berlin in discussing the Bulgarian question. The Frankfurt Zeitung says: "It is useless to gloss over this news and we are not quite sure whether it would not be useful to attach considerable importance to the semi-official attempts to veil the treacherous secession of Bulgaria or raise any hopes."

Tarheels In Sunday's Battles.

London, Sept. 30.—Troops from the States of New York, Tennessee and North and South Carolina attacked the Hindenburg line on a front of nearly three miles Sunday, capturing Bellicourt and Nauroy.

PATRIOTIC CHURCH MEMBERS

The Oxford Methodist Congregation Buy Bonds.

At the Oxford Methodist church last Sunday morning the congregation gave their support to the Liberty Bond campaign in a very practical way. Col. W. B. Ballou, made a very eloquent appeal in behalf of the old preachers and proposed that the congregation purchase a hundred dollar Liberty Bond and donate it to the Endowment Fund being raised by the denomination for the relief of these retired servants of the church. In a few minutes the money was subscribed.

At the close of the service a member of the congregation came to the pastor and stated that she had a fifty dollar bond which she wished to give for this same cause.

Second Red Cross War Fund.

Your attention is directed to your patriotic pledge to the Red Cross War Fund. Your final period is now due and payable. The war council has notified the Treasurer to be ready for settlement by October 15, and will thank you to mail check for your pledge to J. P. Harris, Treasurer.