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THE MENACE OF THE HUN

ADDRESS DELIVERED BY HON. FRANK G. O'DELL.

The Court House was Packed With People Last Tuesday Night to Hear the Inspiring Address of the Distinguished Secretary of the Land Bank of Omaha.

It is no part of my purpose at this time to wave the flag or recite the historic glories of the Republic. Time is too precious for perfunctory oratory or phrase-making. Our sons are fighting to the death in France on the far-flung battle line of democracy and the writing of history's most resplendent page awaits the hour when their sacrifice shall be complete and their valor meet its reward in the liberation of the world.

This is the most momentous time in the history of man. This thing for which we have sent our most precious possession into battle shines with greater spirituality than any event in human progress since Christ died on Calvary. As God reigns and cares for His creatures,—there can be but one ending to this conflict: "The World must be made safe for democracy." Prussianism is damned of God and all liberty loving men. It is doomed to speedy extinction. Having drawn our sword in this righteous cause, it shall never be sheathed until the foul philosophy and devilish statecraft of the Hun is sent reeling down to the hell from whence it came.

I have no quarrel with any man, of any race, who loves democracy; but I submit that, in the light of history there is no more of concord between Germanism of the present day and democracy than there is between Heaven and Hell.

Nor have I any time or inclination toward soft-speaking, or sweet charity for the lover of German forms of government and apologies for German politics of social development. My son, liek yours, faces the Hun "over there." My Government is at war with Germany and the German people. My Government has declared that German ideas of government shall not be chained on the world if force can prevent that calamity. To the accomplishment of this end the Congress of the United States has solemnly pledged "all the resources of the nation." And, God being my helper, I shall endeavor to help keep that pledge though it cost my last penny and my life if need be.

I could do no less and be worthy of the exalted trust of citizenship. We are at war with Germany, not only in France, but here in America, and the man who does not his utmost to root Germanism out of this nation and make it one hundred per cent loyal to the flag is a yellow dog, less worthy of respect than the cur that slinks through the alleys feeding on garbage.

"Peaceful Penetration"

The Germanization of democratic peoples began with the typical German policy of "peaceful penetration" with the studios and carefully planned colonization of the countries they were determined to dominate, with the establishment of little Germanies in every nook and corner of the world. In the prosecution of this imperial plan our own country was not neglected. As a result, the doctrine of Deutschtum has saturated our national life. "The German vote" and the German influence has been one of the dominant factors in our politics and, over a large part of our nation still exists as dangerously potent.

I submit to you that if we are to perform our allotted task in winning this war and make safe the democracy of the constitution for our children, we must fight German and Germanism in America with as much of unselfish devotion and of deadly purpose as we fight that foul blight in Europe.

The whole history of the Germanic empire since the time of Ttila, fifteen centuries ago, reeks with barbarism, hatred of individual liberty and free government. In modern days we have swallowed the doctrine of the German "superman," hook, line and sinker. We have accepted one of the exioms of our intellectual and scientific progress that the German leads the world in everything. It is a lie,—conceived by the father of lies, assiduously spread by German propaganda and aided by liberty loving men who should have known better. But we have believed it. We have bowed down in humble reverence to German "Kultur" and acknowledged ourselves the inferior of the Hun. If the signs of the times can be relied upon we are about through with that suicidal idiocy.

We had suggested to us what a wonderful stimulus might be given to our higher education by adopting a system of exchange professorships with German universities. Few fell for it like the time honored "Rube" of the paragrapher falls for a gold

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COMPLETE DRAWING OF THE NEW DRAFT NUMBERS

The Granville County Exemption Board is Waiting for the Master List.

The third great military lottery since the nation went to war was completed Tuesday, and the machinery of the provost marshal general's office was set in motion to finally check the master list and mail copies to the 156 district boards over the country which are to make them immediately available to the newspaper within their area and to post them for the public.

The last of the 17,000 numbers which are to determine the order in their respective classes of the 13,000,000 men who registered September 12, was taken from the big glass bowl in the caucus room of the senate office building.

General Crowder stayed with the workers during the entire 20-hour period, and the drawing was watched by a constantly changing but never large audience.

Time of receipt of the master lists by district boards will be governed by the distance they are located from Washington. The boards have been instructed to make them public immediately.

Twenty-four Million.

When General Crowder took the last capsule from the bowl, order numbers had been given to approximately 24,000,000 registrants. Numbers for the first 9,000,000 registrant were drawn July 20, 1917, and those for the nearly 1,000,000 youths turning 21 before last June 5 were drawn last June 27.

President Draws First Number Standing blindfolded in the presence of a great crowd which thronged the marble caucus room of the Senate Office Building, President Wilson drew the first capsule in the draft lottery. It contained No. 322.

Vice-President Marshall drew 7,277; Senator Saulsbury of Delaware, president pro tem. of the Senate, 6,708; Speaker Clark, 1,027; Secretary Daniels, 16,169. Other officials participated in the drawing.

The order of the drawing follows: First, 322; fourth, 1,027; eighth, 1,697; 10th, 2,781; 14th, 438; 15th, 904; 17th, 1,523; 23rd, 1,240; 25th, 1,907; 31st, 20; 33rd, 1,255; 36th, 2,132; 39th, 739; 45th, 535; 49th, 219; 53rd, 625; 54th, 72; 56th, 832; 60th, 954; 68th, 348; 74th, 1,961; 78th, 134; 82nd, 395; 86th, 657.

All of the above numbers except the 10th (2,781), affects Granville county.

FORMER GRANVILLE BOY IN A GERMAN PRISON

Lt. Edwin Klingman is at Friedrichshafen, Wurtemberg, Germany. The parents of Lt. Edwin Carlyle Klingman, who live at Kimball's Farm, six miles south of Oxford, received a telegram from the War Department Wednesday apprising them that he is in a German prison at Friedrichshafen.

The Red Cross at Geneva, Switzerland, reported the capture of Lt. Klingman to the War Department. He was reported missing September 1st.

Lt. Klingman was in the aviation service. His machine fell behind the German lines and it was not known whether he was killed or taken prisoner until the Red Cross reported his capture.

Mr. John Webb was present at the Klingman home when the telegram was handed to them, and he says the joy of hearing that their son was alive was complete.

REV. G. T. TUNSTALL SAILS FROM AN AMERICAN PORT

Rev. G. T. Tunstall, former pastor of Enon, Tabb Creek, Hester and Grassy Creek churches, who recently tendered his services to the Y. M. C. A., advised friends in Oxford this week that he was on the eve of sailing from an American port.

OXFORD TOBACCO MARKET

Price of the Weed Goes Higher Here.

The farmers of this section are about through curing their tobacco. The breaks grow heavier daily and the price on all grades are much stronger than during the opening week.

Quit Your Fooling.

Every farmer in this section has known B. E. Parham, proprietor of the Farmers' Warehouse, long enough to know that he is their friend. He proves it by high averages. See his announcement elsewhere in this paper.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

The 2nd payment on street improvement bonds will be due and must be paid by October 25th, 1918. Call at Mayor's office for statements of amounts due. R. B. HINES, Tax Collector.

ON TO BERLIN

FINAL ADVANCE IS NOW GOING FORWARD.

Wide Front North and South of Le-Basse Canal is Scene of New Retrograde Movement—Allied Forces Continue Brilliant Achievements in Restoring Flanders—Keeping Up Their Successful Advances on Six Other Battle Fronts.

Germany's conquered provinces and cities are slipping rapidly from her grasp. Allied troops in Belgium in French Flanders, in Artois, in Champagne and in Lorraine are advancing in country which has been German for forty-seven long months and all chance of a German return to the offensive is gone.

The march to Berlin has begun. Cambrai, St. Quentin and Lille are only the starting places, but after four years no one can fail to see that the grand march has started. If the road is long the rate of our advance is increasing.

One of the darkest nights in all human history is coming to a close. Victory is no longer even a matter of debate. From the North sea to the banks of the Moselle the final advance is going forward.

Hindenburg Line Crumbles.

(Washington Special.) The German grip on northern France and Belgium has been definitely broken. Even the most cautious military observers in Washington agreed that the Hindenburg line was disintegrating, and army officers centered their whole attention on the efforts of the German leaders to extricate their armies without a crushing disaster.

The drive in Belgium is menacing vital communications on one side while American and French troops in the Champagne are surging forward toward equally vital supply lines on the other. The battle line is assuming the shape of a vast trap thrusting its jaws out to engulf the German armies.

Turkey Makes Proposal.

Turkey has made further indirect approaches to the allies through financial channels which are being considered by the British war cabinet. The Standard says it learns on good authority, important developments the newspaper adds, are expected.

HOW LONG WILL IT LAST?

The White Flag Is Not Yet In Sight.

Nearly every man you meet these days asks, "How long will it last?" With Bulgaria out of the fighting, the war zone in the Balkans blotted out, the Ottoman Empire cut off virtually from intercourse with its Allies, while its army in Palestine is going to pieces, and, perhaps greatest of all, the Americans, French, British and Belgians on the Western front are driving the crumbling German army back home—the situation never looked so good for America and her Allies nor so dark for the Teutonic Powers.

This situation has inspired a new mass of speculation as to how early the war will end. Not until every German is driven from France and Belgium. German soil has been soaked with German blood and the German government has sought peace on the same terms that Bulgaria accepted, full surrender with no conditions reserved—then it will be time enough to talk about ending the war. The terms and conditions exacted from Bulgaria for the concluding of an armistice are not one with more exacting than should be required of Germany. Let the Kaiser agree to demobilize his army, surrender arms and ammunition, and release every foot of ground taken during this war—then the Allies will be in position to arrange an armistice for the consideration of peace terms. But until military autocracy surrenders absolutely, there must be no consideration of negotiations looking to peace.

ARMY CAMPS HAVE 1,400 NEW CASES OF SPANISH "FLU"

Camp Lee Has 6,000 Cases and Petersburg 1,800 Cases of New Disease.

Washington, Oct. 3.—Spanish influenza continues to spread in army camps. More than 14,000 new cases were reported to the office of the surgeon general during the last 24 hours.

The total number of influenza cases in all camps now is 88,000 while pneumonia cases number 6,769. Deaths since the epidemic began number 1,877.

Camp Custer, Michigan, where influenza had not previously appeared, reported 1,764 cases. The most serious increase was at Camp Meade, Maryland, which reported 1,327 cases against 396 yesterday. Camp Pike Arkansas, again reported more than 1,000 cases, while Camp Hancock, Georgia, reported 716 cases against the two days before. At Camp Funston, Kansas, the number of cases increased from 141 to 756. Camp Devins, Massachusetts, was the only one which did not report an increase.

THE FOURTH LIBERTY BOND CAMPAIGN IN GRANVILLE

Many Strange Things Revealed Throughout the County.

The canvass of the county Wednesday for the sale of Liberty Bonds met with considerable success. The returns have not as yet been tabulated, but the committees are encouraged with the result.

In many instances the canvassers were surprised beyond measure, as for instance in the case where men of means pleaded poverty and those who were supposed to have little of the world's goods subscribed liberally. Some men who have a dozen or more hogs in the pen and their barns bulging with feedstuff could not see beyond their immediate possessions, while those who have only one hog, a mule and a yellow dog subscribed liberally and expressed a desire to help win the war as quickly as possible.

The committee was very much elated over the fact that the colored farmers bought bonds to the limit.

On Nelson Route, car No. 1, the committee composed of Col. H. G. Cooper, A. A. Hicks, D. T. Wilson and R. T. Pittard, called at 36 homes and sold 36 bonds.

While the committee feels very much encouraged at the results, Granville has not as yet gone over the top. The committee will announce further details of the campaign in the next issue of the Public Ledger.

Messrs. Hal Holman and Lonnie Perkins found a patriotic nest of women working in the field on their route. The two old mothers had sons in the front line of battle, and as soon as the committee explained the object of their visit one of the daughters went to the house and got the money for a good substantial bond.

THE EPIDEMIC OF GRIPPE PREVALENT IN GRANVILLE

Dr. S. H. Cannady, County Health Officer Arrives From Washington.

The physicians admit that the Spanish influenza is prevalent in Granville county.

Dr. Cannady, our county physician arrived from Washington this week and suggests the following for guidance of the people:

Don't associate with the impolite and careless, who spray your air with their spit; don't go to unnecessary public gatherings while the epidemic is on; don't drink from common dippers and drinking cups; don't use a roller towel.

FORMER CITIZEN OF OXFORD DIED AT SOUTH BOSTON

Mr. Gibson Howell Victim of Spanish Influenza.

News reached Oxford Wednesday afternoon that Mr. Gibson Howell, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Howell, of Oxford, had died in South Boston, Va.

The deceased was a very promising young man and had many friends here, where he spent the most of his life.

The remains were taken to Franklin, Va., the home of his wife, for interment.

Miss Bessie Howell, sister of the deceased, who lives in Wilmington, is suffering from a severe attack of the Spanish influenza, and the mother was too sick to attend the funeral of her son at Franklin Thursday.

MR. JAMES M. HOWELL DEAD

Granville Man Succumbs to Spanish Influenza.

Mr. James M. Howell, son of Mr. James W. Howell, died at Centralia, Va., Monday. The Spanish influenza, it is said, was the immediate cause of his death.

Private B. D. Howell, of Camp Wadsworth, was granted a ten days' furlough to attend the funeral of his brother.

Mr. Howell was about 35 years of age. The interment was near Cannady's Mill Wednesday.

OLD BILL SAYS HE WILL KEEP IT GOING

London, Oct. 2.—Emperor William according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Amsterdam, has sent the following telegram to the Westphalian Patriotic Society:

"Germany is decided to utilize all force to fight this enforced defensive war until a victorious end is secured and the fatherland protected for all time against foreign oppression."

THE COUNTY CHAIRMAN.

Executive Committee Elects Judge D. C. Hunt.

At a meeting of the Granville county Democratic Committee this week, Judge Cam Hunt was elected chairman to fill the office made vacant by retirement of Hon. A. A. Hicks from the chair.

THE DISEASE SPREADING

EPIDEMIC OF INFLUENZA HAS CREATED SERIOUS SITUATION

State Board of Health Wants Physicians As Volunteers for Assignment to Stricken Sections—Doctors Nelson Thomas and W. B. Bullock, of Oxford, Tender Their Service—Other Volunteer Doctors and Nurses Needed—Statement Issued to the People by the State Board—Disease General in State.

Influenza of a virulent type, in many instances identified as Spanish influenza, has appeared in practically every section of the State. In order to care for the serious situation that has arisen in many sections the State Board of Health has secured a number of physicians as volunteers for special duty, their names having been transmitted to the council of national defense for assignment through the public health service.

Among the physicians of the State who have tendered their services are Dr. Nelson, Thomas and Dr. W. B. Bullock, of Oxford. The state board of health wants physicians from any section of the State who can volunteer for emergencies which are sure to arise to wire their offers of service at once. Adequate compensation will be guaranteed any man sent to any place where needed.

Statement To the people.

In connection with the epidemic the state board of health today issued the following statement to the people of the state; "State of North Carolina is in the grip of an epidemic of lagrippe. The disease is invading the state from many quarters as it prevails throughout the United States, but the principal lines of invasion seem to be from the seaports of Wilmington and Norfolk. Already the disease has appeared over the entire state, being very prevalent in the east and having established itself in a number of centers in the west. The indications are that within another week it will be generally prevalent throughout the state.

"The disease started in Spain May, this year, involving 30 per cent of the population of that country within a short time. Already the disease has invaded and practically passed through Europe. The rapidity with which it travels and the large per cent of the population involved indicate (1) the exceptionally contagious nature of the disease and (2) that with it public health measures have little influence. The only good fortune attending the present epidemic in North Carolina is that it will probably exhaust its supply of susceptibles before its dangerous ally, pneumonia arrives in force in December, January and February.

Spit Swapping Spreads Disease

"The disease is due to spit swapping. Spit is swapped or exchanged in the following ways: (B) By coughing or sneezing into the air instead of into a handkerchief. In open coughing or sneezing, an infectious and invisible spray is thrown several yards into the air and floats from 30 to 60 minutes. The greater the spraying, as in the psychic waves of coughing, that pass through the assemblages, moving picture shows, churches and other gathering the denser and more potent the infectious atmosphere; (C) by soiling the hands with spit, very small and invisible amounts, and transferring the spit to the hands of another person in handclaps or by handling something, as a door knob or some article from which a second person gets the minutest amount of spit; (D) by using the common roller towel, contaminating and being contaminated; (E) by using common drinking dippers, common drinking cups and common spit-in-fretd water from a common bucket; (F) by using anything other than sanitary paper cups, paper ice cream saucers and spoons disinfected in visible boiled water at soda fountains.

MONROE VANHORN LANDS IN OLD LIMBO

An Old Offender Brought To The Bar of Justice.

Monroe Vanhorn, an old offender out of the Granville-Person line, was captured in Boydton, Va., this week. It is said that he after stated that he would never be taken alive, but when Deputy Hutchins went over to Boydton this week to get the sly old fox he found him as gentle as a lamb.

Vanhorn is charged with manufacturing moonshine liquor. At the last term of the Granville county Court, a true bill was found against him and a capias was issued, which simply meant that Vanhorn must be taken dead or alive.

Vanhorn has the reputation of being a bad man. He admits that he has served two terms in the pen. He has been dodging the officers for some time.

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