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"BIG FOUR" WRESTLING WITH LAST OF PROBLEMS CONFRONTING IT

Germany's Peace Delegates Will Go To Versailles Friday.

(Paris Special.)

The peace treaty with Germany is in "excellent shape," President Wilson allowed himself to be quoted Sunday.

Past progress has been made during last week in putting the final touches on terms which Germany and the document will be finally drafted by Wednesday at the latest. Every effort is made to guard the secrecy of the treaty until it has been submitted to the German plenipotentiaries.

Germany's peace delegates are expected to arrive at Versailles Friday, but the proposed treaty of peace is not expected to be ready.

THE WAR MAP TELLS

A WONDERFUL TALE

It Shows the Minute, the Hour, the Day and the Place Where the Thirtieth Division Broke the Hindenburg Line

Lieutenant James A. Taylor, who is at home on furlough pending his discharge from the army, has in his possession an engraved copy of the official map of the movement of troops in the vicinity of Bellicourt on the day the Thirtieth division broke the Hindenburg line and sent the Huns whirling back toward the Rhine.

Lt. Taylor was a col. Minor's staff. He, with other officials made constant observations of the battlefields from aeroplanes. The official map on the morning of the great drive shows the exact position of the Thirtieth and Twenty-seventh divisions and a division of British troops. The map shows that the line formed by these divisions was practically straight when the word was given on the morning of September 29th to advance. It shows that the Twenty-seventh (on the left, and the English on the right, did not keep up with the Thirtieth division. It shows that after the Thirtieth broke the Hindenburg line the support to the right and left went across and took their position in the formation.

The official map, supported by pictures taken from the club, tells a wonderful tale. It shows that the New York troops to left, and British to right, did not keep up with the Thirtieth division when the command was given to charge the Hindenburg line, thereby endangering the lines of the Thirtieth division. The official map becomes a permanent record and it is written in history.

A hasty yet effective insight into the vigorous combativeness of the 30th may be obtained from the record, which shows that from September 29 to October 30 the 30th captured 98 officers and 3,750 men, and in the same period lost three officers and 24 men as prisoners, 44 officers and 1,011 men killed and 113 officers and 4,823 men wounded or gassed—total casualties in that period, 160 officers and 5,858 men.

THE UPS AND DOWNS

OF THE NAVY MEN

John Graham Webb Is Coming and Going.

John Graham Webb, aboard the Martha Washington, is on his third lap across. We wonder how he feels this morning. Knowing that practically all of the home boys have returned and are kissing everybody they meet—mothers, sweetheart, sisters and all.

There are 1,000,000 soldiers on the other side who must be brought home and hugged and kissed before the navy men get a chance.

The navy men may have sweethearts in every port, but there is nothing quite so sweet as the home girls who call them by their given names—"John G.," "Will," etc.

Addressing the army of occupation on the Rhine last Sunday Secretary of the Navy Daniels threw a hand-grenade in the ranks of the sea dogs when he said:

"You will all be going home, soon boys," began the Secretary, and then arose great cheers from thousands of voices, "I must explain, resumed Mr. Daniels, "that there are also 90,000 others in our navy who have asked to be relieved. I have told them that you are here waiting to get home to your wives and sweethearts, and they must see that you reach America's shores. The navy is your guardian and I am captain of the ferry boat and the navy will certainly see that you get home."

The next issue of the Public Ledger will contain sixteen pages. You will profit by reading every line—advertisements and all.

PRACTICALLY ALL OF COMPANY E AND MACHINE GUN COMPANY HAVE ARRIVED

The Boys Are Being Kissed on Both Cheeks.

This good old town is radiant with the bright and happy faces of the boys who have returned from overseas via Camp Jackson. The boys who have arrived are the happiest lot of fellows the Oxford people ever saw. They grabbed their friends around their necks; hugged and kissed their sweethearts; rushed home to see their mothers and did everything else possible to show their joy at being back in the old home town. The mothers, sisters, brothers and sweethearts were in no less joyous mood. They made the welcome of the soldiers boys real and it is needless to say that Oxford never experienced just the same kind of thrill as that of the past few days. It is a different feeling entirely from the one experienced when the boys left more than a year ago.

In fact all the boys have their stories, but if some one did more than some one else you never hear it from their own lips. Some of their thrilling experiences vary slightly, but when it comes to the principal points they are the same. It was reckless fighting and no joke, they declare. Furthermore the boys can not understand how they lived thru the more than 12 months of fighting and don't care to take the trip a second time unless it is absolutely necessary. "We say we are lucky to be living and that's no joke," is a popular expression.

The boys had heard before reaching home of the big celebration for next Thursday and they are wonderfully appreciative. There's not a one of them who talked of the celebration, but was grateful to the home folk. They were also grateful for the things the folks at home did during the war.

The following is the personnel of the home boys who have arrived:

Machine Gun Co., 120th Inf.
Sergt. William H. Powell.
Sergt. Charles G. Powell.
Corp. Henry L. Taylor.
First Sergt. John G. Mitchell.
Corp. Robert K. Fort.
Sergt. Fred Parham.
Corp. Gus Landis.
Sergt. Waverly Harris.
Cook Charlie Eakes.

Headquarters Co., 120th Inf.
First Lt. James A. Taylor.
Sergt. Maj. John W. Medford.

K. Co., 120th Infantry.
First Lt. William T. Landis.

"E" Co., 120th Infantry.

First Sergt. James E. Matthews.
Sup. Sergt. William C. Robards.
Mess Sergt. Albert H. Taylor.
Sergt. Leland S. Averett.
Sergt. Willie G. Matthews.
Sergt. James J. Walters, Co. Clerk.
Cook Ernest O. Eakes.
Corp. Harold F. Green.
Cook Joseph Horton.
Pvt. lcl. Willie A. Hall.
Pvt. lcl. Richard T. Hightower.
Corp. Kenneth T. Lumpkin.
Sergt. Albert H. Parham.
Pvt. lcl. Jack J. Peed.
Pvt. Lennie T. Pullium.
Corp. Charles C. Staley.
Sergt. Charlie H. Volz.
Corp. John B. Hart.

MONEY FOR BONDS NEEDN'T BE LISTED

Attorney-General Has Ruled In Favor of Purchases Before May 1.

Col. Ballou, chairman of the Victory Loan drive in Granville county, says that money left in the bank for the purchase of bonds, and which had been specifically assigned for that purpose, need not be listed on the tax record May 1, as "money on hand or in the bank." The money in question, however, must be assigned to the buying of bonds, and application must also have been made for the bonds to be taken.

Col. Ballou raised this question at the conference in Raleigh last week, and no one was in position at that time to reply intelligently. A ruling by the Attorney-General was sought, with the result as announced.

WARNS GERMANY AGAINST REFUSAL TO SIGN TREATY

Kaiser Is Blamed For All the Misery of the World War.

Berlin, April 21.—In a strikingly sober article written by Edouard Bernstein, the Vorwarts warns the German nation of the dangers attendant upon a refusal to sign the terms of peace, and declares the world will not absolve former Emperor William and his advisors from responsibility for all the misery of the war.

GREAT PARADE AND BARBECUE IN HONOR OF RETURNED SOLDIERS ON THURSDAY—GREAT CROWD EXPECTED.

The celebration in honor of the returned soldiers will begin with a parade at 11:00 o'clock on Thursday morning, April 24th. Immediately following the parade there will be a short ceremony at the speaker's stand in the Fair Grounds. At 1:00 o'clock the barbecue dinner will be served to the soldiers in the exhibition building at the Fair Grounds.

The line of march for the parade will be as follows: Beginning in front of the armory on Williamsboro street and following Williamsboro street to Gilliam street; along Gilliam to Spring street, along Spring to Main street and then with Main and Hillsboro streets to the Fair Grounds. The committee has purposely made the line of march a short one as it is not desired to march the men unduly.

The organizations taking part in the parade will assemble at the following places at 10:30 a. m.: The boy scouts in front of the Episcopal church; the Junior Order at the Odd Fellows' Hall; the graded school pupils at the College street school; the Red Cross at the Baptist church and the soldiers and sailors at the armory. Other features of the parade will be directed as to their places by the committee in charge.

The soldiers and sailors are requested, if convenient, to wear uniforms and to meet at the armory at 10:30 a. m., where tickets for the picture show, fountain checks, etc., will be distributed.

At the Fair Grounds an address to the men will be delivered by Dr. E. T. White and the town and county will be represented officially by Mayor Mitchell and Chairman Davis. The public is invited to bring baskets and enjoy a picnic in the Fair Grounds. The barbecue dinner will be served only to the soldiers and sailors.

From 7:00 o'clock a. m. until 2:30 p. m. all places of business except the drug stores and cafes will be closed and the people will unite in doing honor to our soldiers.

The committee in conjunction with leaders of the colored race have arranged a celebration for the colored soldiers at a date to be announced.
J. ROBT. WOOD,
Chairman Committee of Arrangements.

TO OUR GRANVILLE HEROES.

Welcome home, oh khaki clad boy. You have fought for us and our safety and we want to show our appreciation. If there is any way in which the Red Cross can be of service to you don't fail to let us know. We will look after your allotment, insurance, or bonus for you and if any one has been wounded or gassed have a visit from the Red Cross nurse. She has taken care of soldiers before and will take care of you if you wish her to.
Granville Co. Red Cross Chapter

DEMobilIZATION IS NOW NEARLY TWO MILLION

Progress of Returning Soldiers to Civilian Life is Shown by War Department Statement.

Washington, April 21.—Progress of demobilization was announced by the War Department today as follows:
Total discharges, 1,769,999; officers resigned or discharged, 96,812; Total troops ordered demobilized, 1,949,000.

Real Bargains

For real bargains see the adv. of The Hub on the third page of this paper.

CALL FOR PATRIOTIC MUSIC

It is earnestly requested by the music committee which has been appointed by the Mayor of Oxford, that each community in the county, or school district, send a number of their best singers to join in the singing to welcome the boys home. Please be practicing on such patriotic songs as "America," "The Star Spangled Banner," etc.

W. LANDIS, Chmn., Music Com.
MRS. JOHN BOOTH, Music Director.

FLEW FROM CHICAGO TO NEW YORK CITY

Army Aviator Makes Flight Of 730 Miles in Less Than Seven Hours.

Mineola, N. Y., April 20.—Captain E. F. White, army aviator, completed a non-stop flight from Chicago at 5:40 tonight when he landed at Hazelhurst field, having flown an estimated distance of 730 miles in 6 hours and 50 minutes. The start was made from Amburn field, Chicago at 9:50 a. m.

Hang Out Your Flag.

There should be a flag on every business house and dwelling in Oxford Thursday. If you haven't got one, act quick. You can get them for very little money at Hall's Drug Store, at the Long Company and perhaps at other places in Oxford.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S CALL

President Wilson's appeal to the American people in behalf of the Victory Loan follows:

For two anxious years the American people have striven to fulfill the task of saving our civilization. By the exertion of unmeasured power they have quickly won the victory without which they would have remained in the field until the last resource had been exhausted. Bringing to the contest a strength of spirit made doubly strong by the righteousness of their cause, they devoted themselves unwaveringly to the prosecution of their undertaking in the full knowledge that no conquest lay in their path excepting the conquest of right.

Today the world stands freed from the threat of militarism which has so long weighed upon the spirit and the labor of peaceful nations.

But as yet we stand only at the threshold of happier times. To enter we must fulfill to the utmost the engagements we have made. The Victory Liberty Loan is the indispensable means. Two years ago we pledged our lives and fortunes to the cause for which we fought. Sixty thousand of our strongest sons have redeemed for us that pledge of blood. To redeem in full faith the promise of this sacrifice we now must give this new evidence of our purpose.

FISHING WILL LOSE ITS CHARM JULY 1.

Mr. A. P. Hobgood Will Retire From Sporting Life.

The fishing season is about ready to commence. Our old friend A. P. Hobgood has already had a pike dream or two. Being unable to get away from the store for a spell, he is engrossed in what is called dry fishing. He is mentally landing a 4-pounder. No doubt it is of the famous "but-he-got-away" species. He will catch this fish many times during his summer day dreams. He knows only too well that dry fishing in another form will go with the real wet fishing this turn.

We feel real sorry for our friends A. P. Hobgood, Sam Averett, Frank Blalock and other noted local fishermen who took Dr. Harte along with them last year to dignify fishing, but this year he can go with impunity. There won't be any liquid bait in their pockets. The only cork in view will be on the line.

Yes, we are especially sorry for A. P. The angler of the near future won't come home from a fishing trip a la pickled herring. He'll have to content himself with being a near-beer bluefish.

SIN ABOUNDS EVERYWHERE

There Are Hundreds of Unsaved People Here.

We have noticed that when our ministers refer to the existence of evil and unsaved people in this community they always qualify the assertion by adding that this good old town is a little better morally than other places of the same size.

It is alright for the ministers to use sugar-coated words, but the fact is, there are hell-holes in Oxford as dark and damnable as there are in Chicago. The mid-night prowler, the gambling den and the bad house exist here. Why, there are hundreds of people in Oxford who would play baseball on Sunday if it was not for the preachers and public opinion.

So far as sin is concerned, Oxford is on the map, and there is no use for the people in this community, just because they live in this good old town, to get it into their heads that they are nearer the gates of Heaven than those who reside in the main-line towns.

GREAT FRENCH PORTS DESERTED BY YANKEES

Withdrawal of Large American Units Turns Seaport Back to Pursuits of Peace.

(Paris Special.)

The American activity which, during the past few months has characterized the life of several French ports has ceased with the withdrawal of large American units.

Rouen is already on a peace basis, and wholly controlled by the French Havre, Marseilles, Tonny-Charment Rochefort, Marans, La Rochelle and Les Sables d'Olonne soon will be deserted by American soldiers.

The ports mentioned have handled 2,586,634 tons of American army material. At Havre 648,438 troops were disembarked.

MONEY FROM FOUR LIBERTY LOANS HAS SPELLED Prosperity FOR AGRICULTURE

In previous years in which America has figured the brunt of the fighting and the burden of the loss were shouldered by the rural patriots of the young republic. The young blood of the soil was the first to respond to the colors, and the soil itself suffered depredations from the armies of attack and defense.

But not a foot of American ground was laid waste in the world war. Not an American child or woman was outraged; not an American home was despoiled. The draft called alike from crowded metropolis and the free air of the farm. Exemptions were effected alike for the farmers sons and the boys in town; for the armies of America and the armies of the allies had to be fed, and this food had to come from American farms. The boys who responded—all honor to them—fought with the same determination and conquered with the same grace, whether they came from field or street. And now America is one of the victors.

Will Grateful America Pay the Bill?

From April 21 to May 10 the people of the United States have an opportunity to show their gratitude to the boys by subscribing to the Victory Liberty Loan. The loan is necessary because America must pay its bills, just as America always has done. Our soldiers fought for peace. Peace came, it was what America wanted. It is what America obtained. It is what America must pay for.

Who Is America?

In the first and second Liberty loans the American farmer shared lightly in lending to pay the war bills. He didn't want war. None of us did, for that matter. The excitement of the war was centered in the cities, and the cities responded wonderfully in the first calls for war finance. The wage earner was within easy reach. He was solicited. He responded quickly. In many cases he not only lent every thing he had, but mortgaged his pay check. In the third loan the farmer began to take part in lending for war, in the fourth the record shows that he responded well in the lending that brought victory. But in the fifth, or Victory Liberty loan, the nation looks to the farm for a much greater share in this last public call for lending to pay the price of peace.

Will the Farms Respond?

Whom has the world war benefited? In 1914 the American farmers received \$10,000,000,000 for their products, wheat, corn, cotton and live stock. In 1918 they received \$23,000,000,000 an increase of 230 per cent. The cost of producing this increased, of course. Some authorities say it increased only 50 per cent. But even if it was 100 per cent this leaves a net increase of 130 per cent for the farmer on his products over 1914. Isn't 130 per cent a pretty good figure for a war to bring

EASTER IN OXFORD.

Vesper Service At the Graded School Largely Attended.

Impressive services were held in all of the Oxford churches Sunday and the attendance taxed the capacity of the several sanctuaries.

The vesper services held in the auditorium of the graded school at 7:15 in the evening was also a happy occasion. The rostrum was decorated with Easter flowers and their beauty were enhanced by the glow of a hundred candles. The many pretty children, dressed in white, made the scene one of beauty. The program, arranged by Mrs. John Booth, consisting of Easter songs and recitations, was very pretty and impressive.

Another inspiring event of the day was the splendid address delivered by Judge Devin to the Baptist Baraca class. It gave the big strong men of the class genuine pleasure to hear Judge Devin say that the "corroborative testimony of witnesses preclude all doubt as to the resurrection of our Lord and Saviour."

LEE MEADOWS, BASEBALL STAR, HURT IN ACCIDENT

Will Not Be Able to Play Ball For Some Time.

Lee Meadows, of Oxford, for the past three years a star pitcher for the St. Louis National league team, was injured last week in an automobile accident and will not be able to play ball for some time, according to news received from St. Louis. Meadows, it is said, was driving the machine when it collided with another car. Newspaper reports declare that the injury to Meadows has greatly crippled the St. Louis club's pitching staff.