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## A COMPLETE SURRENDER OR A NEW GOVERNMENT Cannot Trust The Word of Past Masters of German Policy

President Wilson has submitted the German plea for an armistice and peace to the Allies, and at the same time has informed Berlin that there can be no armistice except upon terms that would make it impossible for Germany to renew her hostilities.

While consenting to deal further with the present authorities in Germany the President has given them this warning:

"If it (the United States) must deal with the military masters and monarchial autocrats of Germany now of if it likely to have to deal with them later in regard to the international obligations of the German Empire, it must demand, not peace negotiations but surrender. Nothing can be gained by leaving this essential thing unsaid."

The President's reply to the last German note was handed to the Chargé of the Swiss Legation tonight for transmission to the German government. It accedes to the request that he take up with the Allies the proposals of the new spokesmen of the German people, but does it with notice that virtual surrender of the Teutonic armies in the field will be the price demanded for interruption of the beating now being administered.

In transmitting the matter to the allies, the President says he has suggested that if they are disposed to effect peace on his terms and principles now accepted by the present German authorities, the American and allied military advisers be asked if they deem such an armistice possible from a military point of view, to submit such terms as will fully protect the interests of the people involved and ensure to the associated governments the unrestricted powers to enforce peace on the conditions accepted.

The President feels he cannot decline to take up the question of an armistice, having received solemn and explicit assurances of the German government that it accepts the terms of peace enunciated by him; that the desire to discuss their application comes from ministers speaking for an overwhelming majority of the German people, and that the German armed forces will observe the humane rules of civilized warfare on land and sea. He ignores entirely the German protests and denials in response to his statement that an armistice could not be considered while the German army and navy continued their atrocities.

As to the authority of the new spokesmen of the German people, he speaks, as the note says, "without any attempt to soften what may seem harsh words," and tells the men with whom he is dealing and through them the German people, why such extraordinary safeguards must be demanded before hostilities can cease.

Significant and important as the proposed constitutional changes seem to be, he declares, it does not appear that the principle of a government responsible to the German people has yet been worked out, and it is evident that the people have no means of commanding the acquiescence of the military authorities. He reminds the Germans that the power of the King of Prussia (the Kaiser) to control the policy of the Empire is unimpaired, and concluded with the warning that if this power is to be dealt with the United States and the allies can demand nothing but surrender.

As the note was dispatched, Secretary Tumulty at the White House, gave emphasis to the assurance given by all members of the government that no interruption of the military program is contemplated by making public correspondence between Secretary Baker and President Wilson showing that more than 2,000,000 American soldiers have embarked for the war overseas.

### New Police Force For City

Mr. John Bell and Mr. John W. Allen will keep law and order in the city. Chief Proctor has gone, never to return. Mr. Bell will do active work while Mr. Allen will collect taxes and otherwise assist.

## REMINISCENCES OF RIDGEWAY CIRCUIT TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO.

Editor of the Record:

While our churches are all closed, and while I am kept in my study by rheumatic trouble, may I have space in the columns of your excellent paper to mention some incidents connected with my first year as pastor of the Ridgeway Circuit, a quarter of a century ago?

On the third day of January 1893, in the midst of one of the most disagreeable blizzards I have ever experienced, this writer, with his wife and six children, arrived at Ridgeway, where the parsonage was then located. Snow, hail, and sleet were falling, the wind was blowing, and it was intensely cold. We had just completed a pastorate of four exceedingly pleasant years at Carthage, and our hearts were sad at parting with the dear friends of that charge, and when we stepped off the train at Ridgeway on that cold and disagreeable day in January, with only one man to welcome us to the charge, we confess that our feelings partook largely of the nature of the prevailing weather. It was not, however, altogether the fault

### CORP. S. M. SADLER

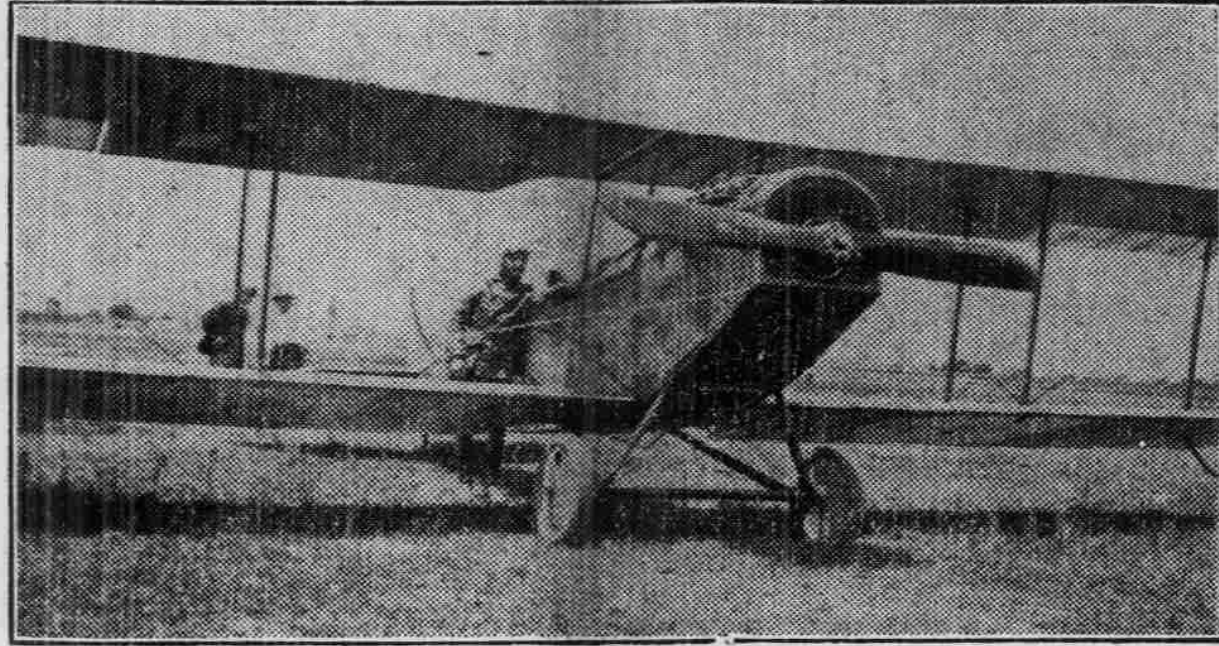


Son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Sadler, of Six Pines, who was called the 17th of May and is now in France. He was at one time employed here, and later at the Norlina hotel. At the time of his call he was Electrical Engineer at the Richmond hotel, in Richmond, Va. Doing his bit for home and country Over There.

of the good people of Ridgeway that more of them did not meet us on our arrival in that good little village, the weather was so exceedingly disagreeable that they could not face it. The ladies had prepared a good dinner for the "new preacher" and his family, and had placed many nice things in the pantry, which for a time made us forget the blizzard that was surging about us. This unusual weather prevailed for weeks, during which time we saw very few people, and very little of the country in which we had come to live. But all the while that dark clouds hung over us, and snow and ice covered the earth, the sun was shining beyond the clouds and at the proper time the clouds were driven back, the snow and ice melted, the light of the sun fell all about us, we met and became acquainted with the people among whom we had come to live and labor, and the gloom departed from our hearts.

Our first Quarterly Conference was held at Union Chapel, February 18th 1893, with Rev. S. D. Adams in the chair as Presiding Elder. Sixteen of the official members of the church, besides the pastor, were present, as follows: H. B. Hunter, W. B. Fleming, J. H. Mayfield, R. F. Rose, J. L. Robinson, W. M. Taylor, W. H. Burwell, J. L. Ridout, L. H. Read, E. F. Bob-

## LIEUTENANT SAM MARTIN CONNELL AND HIS AIR PLANE.



Lieut. Sam Martin Connell standing by Curtis plane in which he paid Warrenton a visit Sunday and Monday and the first plane to come to Warren county. Lieut. Connell's visit was the occasion for many congratulations to this son of Warren to whom much honor has come.

bitt, C. B. Scoggin, C. M. White, J. H. Taylor, J. W. Hendrick, George W. Davis and Dr. L. S. Millican. It is very rare that any pastoral charge can command such men as the above to look after the interests of the Lord's kingdom. Thirteen of the above named officials who sat in that conference, together with the splendid man of God who presided over it, have crossed the great Divide and taken their places in the kingdom above. During his association with these men this writer learned to love and trust them devotedly and fully, and heaven is more inviting because they are to spend eternity there.

The Ridgeway Circuit had been assessing itself nine hundred dollars for salary of the pastor, and paying less than seven hundred. In 1892 it paid \$682.44 of the nine hundred promised. This writer had never failed to receive all that had been promised, and he did not wish to take any risk at this time, so he asked the Conference to fix the salary at \$800.00, and pay it in full. His suggestion was followed, and the charge paid \$838.88.

During this year good revivals were held in the churches and seventy accessions were reported to the Conference held at the close of this writer's first year on the old Ridgeway Circuit.

Throughout the entire year I was blessed with good health, so that I did not miss a single appointment on account of sickness. Most of the members were visited in their homes by the pastor, and upon the whole it seemed agreeable all around for this writer to be returned to the charge for another year. Of the second year we will speak in a future letter, unless the Editor objects.

Respectfully, J. A. HORNADAY.

No objection, an additional welcome. Space could not be better used.—Ed. —W.S.S.—

Go at once—and redeem that Red Cross pledge, and do it now.

## MR. W. N. BOYD ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF RED CROSS

### The New Officers To Guide County Red Cross Are Efficient.

The beautiful home of Mrs. Kate P. Arrington on Ridgeway street opened wide its doors Wednesday night to receive the Executive Committee of the Red Cross and delegates from branches and auxiliaries. Representatives from Norlina, Warren Plains and Ridgeway were present in addition to interested workers of the town.

Reports were received from retiring Chairman Mrs. Kate P. Arrington, from Mr. John G. Ellis, treasurer of War Fund drive, from J. Edward Allen, Chapter treasurer, from H. C. Fleming as to Canteen work, and from Miss Sarah Macon, chairman of Motor corp.

Mrs. Arrington's brief review of the year's work disclosed the fact that the Chapter had measured to its responsibilities along many lines, that our quotas in money and materials had been forthcoming and that the work of the organization had been thorough, persistent and successful.

The report of the treasurer showed that the Chapter finance had been adequately handled and every item was accounted for in the systematic report of Mr. J. Edward Allen.

The report of Mr. John G. Ellis on War Fund drive in May was heard with interest. The disposition of the quarter Chapter-share of these funds was left in the discretion of the treasurer to devise an equitable system for such distribution. All unpaid pledges were urged redeemed.

Mr. H. C. Fleming, in reporting Canteen activities, stated that 212 trains

had been served since May 4th, organizing date, at a cost of \$475.00. Donations of materials not included.

The message of the National War Council was read by Mr. C. R. Rodwell arousing great interest as it recounted the world wide activities of the Red Cross and thanked each Chapter for its work.

Upon motion, properly seconded and unanimously carried the chair was empowered to appoint a nominating committee for selection of the officers of the coming year. The chair designated Mrs. Kate P. Arrington, retiring chairman; Mr. H. C. Fleming, chairman of Norlina Canteen, and Mr. V. F. Ward, chairman Finance committee as such Nominating committee.

The chairman of this Committee, after conference, presented the following officers to guide the County organization thru the coming year:

Chairman, W. N. Boyd. Vice-chairman, Mrs. W. A. Graham. Secretary, Mrs. Ella A. Thorne. Treasurer, J. Edward Allen.

Woman's work, Mrs. J. E. Rooker. Membership, Mrs. W. A. Connell. Finance committee, V. F. Ward. Publicity, W. Brodie Jones. Education, Miss Amma Graham. Nursing, Mrs. W. R. Strickland. Civilian Relief, C. R. Rodwell. Conservation, W. H. Dameron. Canteen, Clyde Fleming, Norlina. Junior Auxiliary, Miss Mary E. Chauncey.

The officers were elected unanimously by rising vote.

The review of the work was the occasion of agreeable surprise as to its amount. Expression of thanks were heard on all hands for the work of the Chapter and marked compliments were paid the retiring chairman Mrs. Kate P. Arrington; the chairman of Woman's work, Mrs. J.

### HOWARD F. MUNN



Son of Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Munn, of Warren Plains. He went into service September 21st, 1917, at Camp Jackson, later he was transferred to Remount section at Camp Sevier. Now serving his country at Camp Joseph E. Johnston, Jacksonville, Fla., in the Field Remount Service.

E. Rooker and the chairman of knitting Mrs. Adele Jones.

That an unusually happy choice of coming year officers was made was expressed. Mr. Norwood Boyd, as chairman of this body, is a patriotic gentleman of broad outlook. There can be no doubt that he will look well into the welfare of the Chapter and that under his direction a successful body of war-workers will give expression to their best through the Red Cross channel.

Mrs. W. A. Graham as vice-chairman is well acquainted with the scope of the work, and from the first of the war has been interested greatly in the relief work. She is the wife of Major W. A. Graham now in France.

Mrs. E. A. Thorne who succeeds Mrs. John G. Ellis as secretary is well adapted to this work and her pen will efficiently record Chapter activities during the coming year.

The perfect record of the treasurer for the past year was concrete evidence that no one could better fill this position than Mr. J. Edward Allen.

The entire personnel represents men and women deeply interested in the Red Cross work and who wish its every phase more thoroughly developed as a means of service to humanity and a war asset to the allied cause. That this ideal would be the dominant note in coming-year activities was felt by those present.

The dispatch with which business was handled, the happy outcome of the gathering was largely due to the graceful and efficient manner of Mr. J. Edward Allen who presided.

## DOING SOME HARD FIGHTING ON MEUSE

### CAPTURE FIFTY-TWO PRISONERS AND EIGHT MACHINE GUNS---GERMANS LEAVING NUMBER HEAVY GUNS.

With the American Army Northwest of Verdun, October 23, 5 p. m.—The stiffest fighting of the American offensive west of the Meuse was under way today. The line is swaying back and forth.

In the region of Grand Pre, on the western end of the front, the Americans threw back violent German counter-attacks. On the northern edge of Grand Pre, the Americans captured 52 prisoners, including three officers. They also took eight enemy machine guns.

With their backs to a great series of woods, the Bois de Bas and the Bois de Bourgogne included, the Germans are fighting for their lives. Prisoners assert that the woods are literally full of machine guns and guns of heavier calibre, and these prisoners have expressed the opinion that the Americans can never capture Bourgogne and the woods to the northwest.

The American troops fought all Wednesday in the face of machine gun fire from Talma farm to Hill 220, northwest of Grand Pre. Upon the slopes to the north of Grand Pre, the German machine gun nests extended from Hill 204 to Bellejoey farm.

North of Campigneulle, several light attacks by the Germans were repulsed. In one instance some Germans were wounded and two were captured. These men came forward calling "Kamarad" then opened fire with rifles which had been strapped upon their backs. Light forces of infantry attacked immediately afterwards, when the Americans refused to rush forward in response to the Kamarad trick.

American bombing airplanes and aerial machine gunners were busy today in checking German troop movements toward the fighting front. At midday two squadrons of bombers attacked Buzancy with excellent results. Later about 120 machines attacked enemy troop concentrations in the woods in the region of Remonville.

An attack on Buzancy was in response to a report that German troop trains were arriving there. The attack on the woods near Remonville was on the Bois de La Foeche and the Bois de Barricourt. A large number of 20-pound bombs were dropped on the woods, while machine gunners attacked enemy troops on the roads.

Several formations of Fokkers attacked both groups of the American bombers but were driven off in each instance.

Lieutenant Edward V. Rickenbacher was credited with one Boche before breakfast.

In a most spectacular combat over Doulon, which lasted half an hour, four American fighters badly worsted an equal number of Germans, three Fokkers being downed.

Hill 281 has been the scene of severe fighting for four days, the Germans having numerous machine gun nests on it. The capture of this hill gives the Americans command of Clery-Le-Grand and the valley along the Landon river.

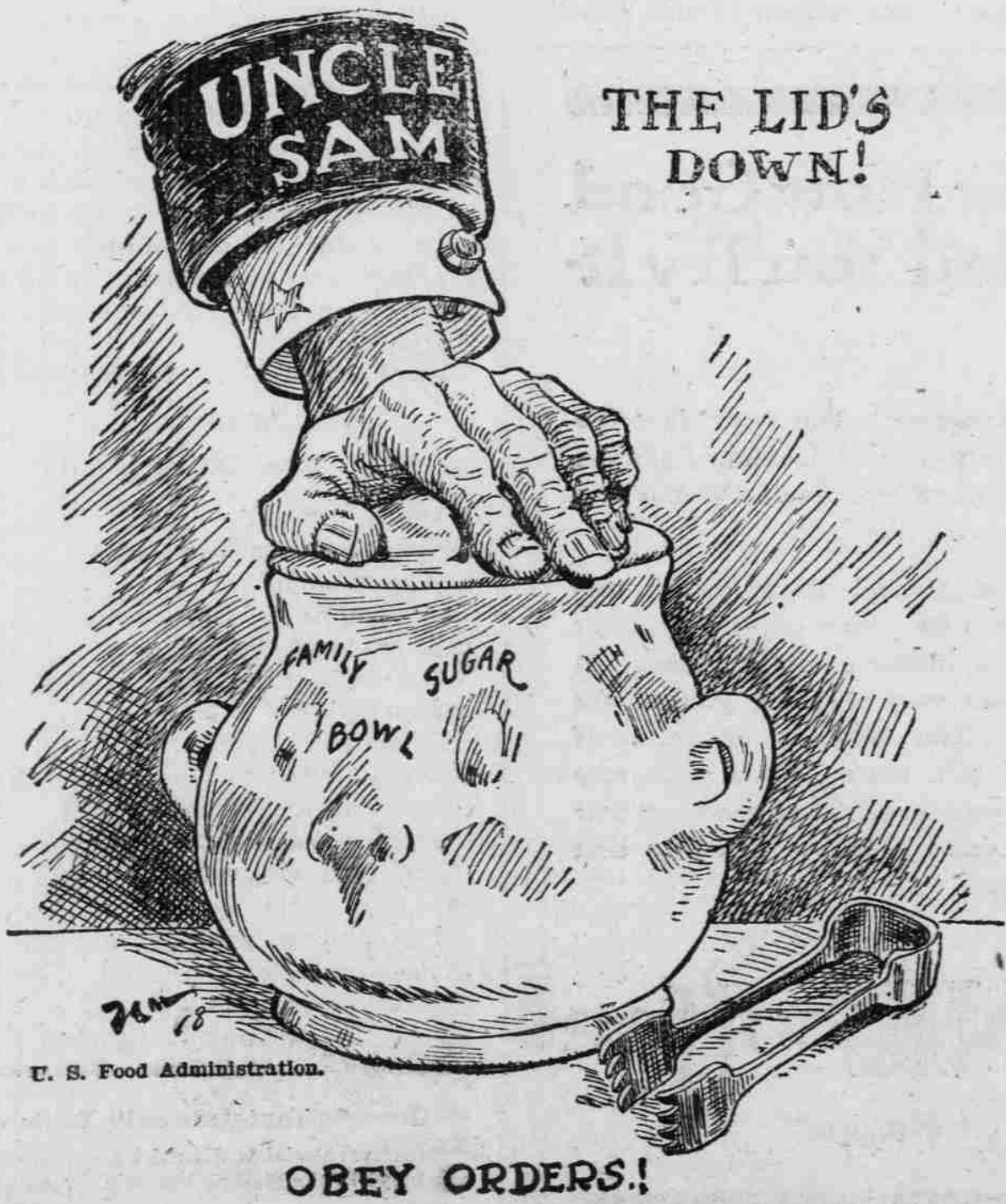
—W.S.S.—

### Mr. R. B. Boyd To Direct Drive

The Red Cross Christmas drive will be directed this year by Mr. R. B. Boyd, of Warrenton.

The purpose of this great enrollment is the re-alignment of the American people and their reconsecration to the great work of this body.

Every citizen of the County should be enrolled under the Red Cross and the drive, it is expected, will bring additional members from all over Warren.



U. S. Food Administration.