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THIS COUNTRY TO BEAR THE BRUNT OF WAR BURDENS

"AMERICA MUST AWAKEN"

General Pershing Indulges in Very Plain Speech; Declares it Made Him Sad to See the Laxness of the People; ex-Pres. Taft Prophesies the Downfall of Germany

Washington, May 25.—With a soldier's directness, Maj-Gen. Jno. J. Pershing, who will lead the first American troops to the French trenches, Friday told America she must awaken to a realization of what the great war means to the country.

"Upon America," Pershing grimly declared, "is to rest the brunt of the terrible burdens to come."

Pershing was speaking at the Red Cross meeting called to launch the \$100,000,000 campaign. Pershing was so wildly cheered that former President Taft, who presided, was compelled to pound for order with his cane which he was using as a gavel.

"France is under a terrific drain," Major-General Pershing warned the delegates, "and in just so much as this nation is drained is she weakened in her power to fight, and it is the United States who must meet all of the deficiencies caused through the drain."

"The duty of meeting these deficiencies in France is in the hands of the United States. We of this country must help rehabilitate that country. We must help her orphans, her widows, and we must put her in a position to produce and to become self-supporting."

"Yet, I am sad to say that the feeling among our American people is lax. They do not realize the depth of the terrible war."

"America's entrance in the war is the deciding factor, and on the United States is going to rest the brunt of the burden."

General Pershing was accompanied by Capt. N. E. Margett, his aide-de-camp.

Herbert C. Hoover, who was introduced by Mr. Taft as the "man of the hour," spoke on situation in France. "France faces an untold destruction of property, a total displacement of population and enormous loss of human life and of man power, animals and instruments," said Mr. Hoover.

Altogether there is a total of 3,000,000 people unable to get back on their feet without help.

"To estimate the sums needed to rehabilitate the devastated portions of France to get her necessary implements to put her on the basis where she will be able to produce and help herself would be to name ever larger amounts than we are doing but may I say that in France who is sacrificing her manhood to the cause of liberty there is abundant outlet to all of the generosity of the American nation."

C. S. Ward, international secretary of the Y. M. C. A., was introduced by Mr. Taft as "the man who has taught people the glory of giving."

Panemonium broke loose when Mr. Taft prophesied the downfall of Germany.

"Germany has deliberately antagonized this country when we can furnish her money, more resources, and more men than any other country on the globe," said Mr. Taft.

"I deplore the fact that America has not thought enough about the war before it came. He said the time had come when an American will consider anything but the war incidental instead of now when they consider the war incidental."

When the morning session adjourned the scores of delegates went to Ft. Myer, where they had luncheon. Five cars of the sightseers were preceded by the motor corps of the Red Cross, consisting of 25 ambulances. The commandment of the corps was Mrs. Borden Harriman. Mr. Taft rode with Miss Boardman.

SPECIAL SERVICES FOR MEN

Sunday Evening at 3 O'clock There Will Be Services for Men at the Tent

On next Sunday evening at 3 o'clock Rev. Raymond Browning, the Evangelist, will conduct a service for men only. He announced that no one under 14 or older than 100 years would be admitted.

His subject will be "The Phoenix." Every male person between the ages mentioned is invited to attend these services.

REMEMBER FACTS ABOUT DRAFT ACT

INDIVIDUAL IS RESPONSIBLE

Each Man is Held Under Penalty for Putting His Name on Rolls; Rules of the Registration and Other Information Every Man Should Know

Regulations for registration June 5 under the selective draft act for the national army have been delivered to every county and city in the United States. All male persons between the ages of 21 and 30, both inclusive, will be required to register between 7 a. m. and 9 p. m., June 5. Failure is punishable by a year's imprisonment, without the alternative of a fine.

Here, in brief, are the points which the secretary of war and the president wish to have clearly fixed in the minds of the people.

All men are required to register—

Who are 21 years old.

Whose 21st birthday comes before June 5.

Whose birthday comes on June 5; excepting

Men now 31 years old.

Men whose 31st birthday comes before June 5.

A man who will become 31 years old on June 5.

Men in the regular army or navy of the United States, the marine corps, and the officers' reserve corps.

Members of the National Guard and naval militia actually in service of the United States on June 5.

Men in the enlisted reserve corps actively engaged in the service of the United States on June 5.

Sickness, physical disability of any kind or absence from home does not excuse failure to register. National Guardsmen not mustered into service before June 5 must register.

A year's imprisonment is the penalty for making false statements, whether about oneself or some other person. Where the person registering is subject to military law he will be court-martialed.

Failure to register is punishable by imprisonment, without the alternative of a fine. Upon termination of prison sentence, the regulations prescribe immediate registration.

The registration in each county or similar subdivision in any state and in cities of 30,000 population or over shall be made in the customary voting precincts thereof in the places and in the manner ordinarily employed in the registration of voters so far as the same is not inconsistent with said act and these rules and regulations.

When a county has a city of 30,000 population or over, the county registration board shall have jurisdiction of the count, exclusive of the city, with a city board directing registration within the city limits. Wardens of penitentiaries and other penal institutions are charged with registration of the inmates of such institutions. Places customarily used for voting purposes in each precinct shall be used. Hours for registration are from 7 a. m. to 9 p. m.

Though very positive in terms, the regulations to effect registration for the selective draft June 5, are reasonable in their provisions, relative to absentees. The place of registration is the domiciliary precinct, but adequate provision is made for enforced absence. The burden rests on each individual between 21 and 30 years, inclusive to see that registration certificates are entered at his domiciliary precinct on registration day. Absentees may procure registration blanks from the office of the county clerk of every county or the city clerk of cities of 30,000 population or more.

Upon application by you, your card will be made out by the clerk, turned over to you and by you it must be mailed in time to reach your domiciliary precinct by the day set for registration.

Eligibles, whose permanent homes are in cities of 30,000 or more may direct the registration card in care of the mayor. A self addressed envelope should be inclosed with the registration card for the return of the registration certificate. Failure to get this certificate may cause serious embarrassment.

Persons in training camps, schools or colleges or other institutions may register under the above provisions for absentees. However, for their convenience the county clerk or clerks of cities over 30,000 or more are authorized to deputize a competent person to certify to the registration cards of non-residents in such institutions and to furnish a sufficient

DON'T FAIL TO REGISTER JUNE 5th

List of Registrars Given Below; Next Tuesday From 7 A. M. to 9 P. M.

Sheriff Thompson has completed his arrangements for Registration day for Roxboro and Person county. Below we give the names of registrars for each precinct in the county:

Woodsdale, B. E. Mitchell.

Chub Lake, W. G. Clayton.

Holloways, J. Y. Humphries.

Allensville, J. E. Montague.

Mt. Tirzah, T. H. Clay.

Cates, S. P. Jones.

Ai, S. A. R. Morton.

Bushy Fork, F. J. Hester.

Olive Hill, T. C. Wagstaff.

Ceffo, C. T. Woods.

Cunningham, W. G. Franklin.

Roxboro, East, D. S. Brooks and D. W. Oakley.

Roxboro, West, M. R. Long and R. L. Harris.

The hours for registration will be from 7 A. M. to 9 P. M. All men both white and black between the ages of 21 and 31 years are required to register. All male persons that come between the above ages that fail to register will be imprisoned and the sheriff has strict instructions to see that every man registers.

SCHOOL NEWS.

Rallies

We have not heard from many of the Rallies called for on the 19th instance but some good work has been done so far as we have been able to get information. The crowd at Bethel Hill was not large, but those who attended got so enthusiastic that they called a meeting for next Saturday at 1:00 p. m. The meeting is to be held in the church just before the hour for preaching, this being the regular time for services. The people believe great good will result from such community meetings.

Home Supplies

The good news comes from the different sections of our County that people are working sure enough; and each farmer seems fully decided to make his home supplies and some for others. What an uplift to our County should every farmer, both white and colored, raise enough to eat this year for himself, his family and for everything on his farm that has to eat.

Would it not be a great day for Person county if all her citizens would decide to live at home sure enough, buying only such necessities as their land will not produce.

Summer School at West Raleigh

I desire to ask the teachers of Person county to consider the Summer School of Raleigh. They are making great efforts to make their summer school meet the special needs of teachers for next session. It will be a great help and blessing to our County for our teachers to spend the six weeks at Raleigh. I hope our teachers may see it in time and go there. The wonderful change in our educational system, the pressing need of equipment to meet the new demands of our teacher are especially provided for and are open to all who attend the Summer school in Raleigh.

J. A. BEAM,
County Superintendent.

Dear Mr. Editor:

Feeling that our National Flag should float at some prominent place in Roxboro that the citizens of our town and County might feel its inspiration as it waves above us, we went before the County Commissioners yesterday and received their permission to erect a flagpole about 30 feet high and place thereon the flag of the United States (the stars and stripes) on the court house square.

We want to raise the cost of doing this by popular subscription, and we want to have everything in readiness for its erection on July 4th. Anyone desiring to contribute to this cause will please send in their subscription to J. A. Long,

R. A. Burch,

W. D. Merritt,

J. A. Long.

borne in mind that such registration must be made in sufficient length of time before the date set by the president for registration to enable such student to mail the card. The burden of registration in his own domiciliary precinct is on every man; and persons must see to it at their peril that their registration cards are in the hands of the registrar of their domiciliary precinct at the time prescribed

TORNADOES TAKE TOLL OF 160 DEAD AND 500 INJURED

SO. KENTUCKY HIT HARDEST

Sections of Kentucky, Tennessee, Arkansas and Alabama Suffer Deadly Visitation; Million Dollar's Property Damage in Alabama

Reports Tuesday from the sections of Kentucky, Tennessee, Arkansas and Alabama swept by a series of tornadoes Sunday, place the number known to have lost their lives in the storm at 160 and the injured at approximately 550.

Southwestern Kentucky, reports so far received indicate, paid the heaviest toll in lives lost. In Fulton county, the southwestern tip of that state 66 persons were killed and more than 100 injured. In Alabama the mining camps at Sayre, Bradford and Carbon Hill reported 46 fatalities and in Tennessee, Tipton, Dyer and Carroll counties reported 34 dead.

The property damage in Alabama was estimated at about \$1,000,000. No accurate estimate of the monetary loss in the other States is available, wire communication still being badly crippled and but little effort has been made to appraise the damage wrought.

The town of Clinton, where 25 persons were killed and 75 injured, reported the greatest loss of life in Kentucky. Sixteen were killed on the plantation of Sid L. Dodds, near Hickman, and 12 persons lost their lives in the vicinity of Bondurant.

Of the known dead in Alabama, where the storm struck widely separated towns and areas extending from Huntsville to Tuscaloosa, the majority lost their lives in small mining settlements about Birmingham. Bradford, one of the mining camps reported 26 deaths.

In Mississippi county, Ark., across the Mississippi river from the Tennessee and Kentucky counties swept by the storm, ten were killed.

Dyer county suffered the largest loss of life in Tennessee. Near Dyersburg seven were killed and forty injured. Other Tennessee towns reporting casualties are Cates, Lake Trezevant, Ore Springs, Sharon, Linden and Bakerstown.

Efforts to restore wire communication so far has been only partly successful and it still will be some hours before the full extent of the disaster is known.

GERMAN PILOT THROWS PASSENGER IN MIDAIR

May 27, via London—A German aviator just shot down within the British lines told with amazing nonchalance how he lost his passenger in mid-air. The prisoner is a corporal and was piloting a two-seated machine on reconnaissance work. The passenger was a new lieutenant observer whom the pilot was taking up for the first time.

The lieutenant was nervous from the start and kept giving the pilot contradictory instruction which caused him completely to lose his way. That is how he happened to get over the British lines. The pilot turned his machine eastward, as he thought, but believed something must have gone wrong with the compass. He had not flown a great distance when he sighted several British flying scout airplanes. Now the passenger became fairly frantic and began beating the pilot in the back, urging him to swing around in the opposite direction. This further confused the pilot and the first thing he knew one of the British machines opened fire and shot him through both legs.

The pilot then took matters in his own hands then and in order to escape from the attackers dived almost vertically with the engine full on. He did not flatten out until within 200 feet of the ground, and then almost faint from his wounds, he let the machine slip and landed with a crash. A search of the wreckage revealed no trace of the observer.

"I think he must have been thrown out," said the German pilot.

"He was," said one of the pilot's captors, who had seen the officer pitch headlong to his death.

Make Application to Join the Hospital Corps

The following young men went to headquarters and made application to join the Hospital Corps: Cliff Barnett, Richard Mitchell, Landon Bradshaw, Roy Cates and Sidney Veazey. The first two mentioned were successful, having passed satisfactory examination, and we suppose will be

ITALIANS HAMMER AUSTRIAN LINE IN MOVE ON TRIESTE

Capture Village of San Giovanni; Austrians Claim the Capture of 13,000 Unwounded Italians; Artillery Duel Between French and Germans

Aside from the Austro-Italian theater especially the southeaster sector where the Italians are making spirited efforts to break through the Austrian line toward Trieste, little fighting of consequence is taking place on the battle fronts. Artillery duels are continuing between the French and the Germans in the Champagne region of France, while along the front held by the British the operations are being carried out mainly by small raiding parties. On the eastern front the Russian artillery fire against the Austrians is increasing in intensity probably presaging the awakening of the Russian from their lethargy and the approach of hostilities on a great scale.

On the Carso plateau just above the head of the gulf of Trieste the Italians have smashed their way across the Timavo river and captured the Timavo river and captured the village of San Giovanni, a scant two miles northwest of Duino, a fashionable watering resort on the railroad skirting the Gulf of Trieste and leading into Trieste. Nine six-inch guns fell into the hands of the Italians when they captured the village and they soon will be used against the Austrians as their condition is described as excellent.

To the north in the vicinity of Jamiano, the Italians have captured fortified Austrian trenches and along the Julian front have made further gains and consolidated positions previously taken. The Austrian war office asserts that Sunday's attacks by the Italians near Jamiano were repulsed and that near Castagnievizza attempts at an advance by the Italians failed it asserts also that the Italian casualties have been very heavy, the ground before the Austrian positions being covered with Italian dead. More than 13,000 wounded Italians have been captured up to Sunday, says the statement, 7,000 of them having been made prisoners on the Carso plateau.

British airmen are continuing to operate extensively against the Germans on the front in France. Twelve German machines were destroyed in fighting in the air Monday and ten others were sent to the ground out of control. Another machine fell victim to British anti-aircraft guns. Three British machines failed to return to their base. Dealing with Sunday's air fighting the German war office says German airmen shot down 12 airplanes and two captive balloons.

Action by the Brazilian congress which would place Brazil on the side of the allies is still awaited. Meanwhile, the situation in Spain with regard to Germany's illegal acts toward that country continues to grow in intensity. Resolutions adopted by a great mass meeting of partisans of the entente in Madrid have been presented to the Spanish minister of the interior. These assert that Spain would not remain isolated from the European conflict but that she should break off diplomatic relationship with Germany and "accept all the consequences from the action which she is compelled to adopt for the defense of her dignity."

TENT MEETING

Services Began Sunday Morning and Interst is Growing Daily

On last Sunday morning Rev. Raymond Browning began his meeting here, and was greeted by a large congregation at the first service, and interest is growing daily in the meetings which are held at 10:00 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Mr. Browning is an able preacher and bids fair to get a strong grip on the people of the community. He is very ably assisted by Mr. Chamberlain, who leads the music. The choir is composed of a large number of ladies and gentlemen of the town and County. If you have not attended these meetings you are hereby cordially invited to come out and take a part.

Mr. R. A. Spencer spent last Wednesday in Halifax county, Va., attending the burial of his sister-in-law, Mrs. J. L. Anderson. Mrs. Anderson's death occurred in South Carolina where she was visiting relatives. Her body was brought to Halifax county and interred at Bethel last Wednesday.

FROM THE COUNTY DEMONSTRATOR

Below is a suggested arrangement and rotation of crops to give grazing for hogs the entire year in the piedmont and mountain sections of North Carolina:

Grass and clover mixture for one acre as a permanent pasture: Orchard grass, 7 pounds; Red Top (Herd Grass), 7 pounds; Tall meadow oat grass, 7 pounds; Red clover or Mammoth clover, 6 pounds; White Clover, 3 pounds.

Following is a suggested plan of rotation of crops for four fields for four years:

Field No. 1. First Year—Plant an early variety of cowpeas in 2½ to 3 feet rows when danger of frost is over. Graze when peas begin to turn. September 15th sow oats and Red clover. Inoculate the clover if grown on land for first time. Second year—Graze Red Clover at intervals. Third year—Graze Red Clover at intervals until July 5th. Turn clover during winter. Fourth year—Same as field four first year.

Field No. 2. First Year—Sow in oats and rape from Feb. 15th to March 1st. Graze at intervals until June 15th. Then plant early cowpeas in 2½ to 3 feet in rows. Graze peas off and Sept. 1st sow rye and Crimson clover between pea rows. Second year—Same as field 1 first year. Third year—Graze Red clover at intervals. Fourth year—Graze clover at intervals until July 15th. Turn clover during winter.

Field No. 3. First year—Plant a medium early variety of soy beans 2½ to 3 feet rows when danger of frost is over. Cultivate a few times. Graze when the pods are about half grown. Sept 1st sow oats, vetch and rape between rows. Inoculate the vetch if grown on land for first time. Second year—Same as field No. 4 1st year. Third year—Same as field No. 2 first year. Fourth year—Same as field No. 1 first year.

Field No. 4. First year—Plant corn in 6 feet rows when frost is over. Plant a row of soybeans or cowpeas between each row of corn when corn is 6 to 8 inches tall. Turn the hogs in to graze when corn is in roasting ear stage. Second year—Same as field No. 2 first year. Third year—Same as field No. 1 first year.

Sapling or Mammoth clover may be substituted for Red clover.

A Warning and an Appeal to the People of Person County

The world is short of food and feed and because of this there is great danger of a food panic in our country. It is our duty as leaders of the Agricultural work to warn the people of our County and State against this danger and urge them to plant something to eat, especially corn, potatoes, peas and all kinds of crops that can be grown and harvested during the remainder of this season. We appeal to every man, woman and child in Person County to do their utmost to plant every acre possible in food crops. Fertilize them and cultivate them well. Unless more food is produced in Person county, our own people will go hungry. The West will be called on to feed the armies. We must feed ourselves. We urge our people to practice the greatest economy in the use of food, and to can and dry all of the surplus fruits and vegetables possible.

Our County and Home Demonstration Agents are doubtless doing all in their power to inform the people as to the true situation, but we realize that it is humanly impossible for them to reach all our people before the planting season is over, so we are writing this letter for publication in the County paper to help them to get this important matter before the people of the County. I especially appeal to our people to receive these Agents cordially and accept their vital message in the right spirit, and to pledge themselves to do their part in enlarging the production of food crops in Person County, so that our people may be saved from hunger and want.

President Wilson, Secretary Houston and Governor Bickett have asked that our preachers urge this matter from their pulpits. I believe that our preachers can render most valuable aid in increasing the food supply in your County if they will take advantage of this request, which I feel sure they will gladly do.

Respectfully submitted,

T. D. McLEA