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Men Of Scotland Neck Courageously Subscribe For Allotment \$75,000 Bonds

BRITISH SHIPS AID RUSSIAN NAVY

SUBMARINE ATTACKED TWO GERMAN DREADNAUGHTS
AND SUNK ENEMY TRANSPORT IN RECENT
BATTLE AT RIGA.

FIRST NEWS OF BRITISH PARTICIPATION

(By UNITED PRESS)
London, Oct. 23.—British naval aid was lent to the sorely pressed Russian fleet and aided in a remarkable escape of the Russian Riga Bay fleet from under the very guns of the great German warships in Moon Island sound. The first intimation that British vessels were in action with the Russian ships was contained in official announcement from Petrograd that a British submarine had fired two torpedoes at two German dreadnaughts in the Gulf of Riga, presumably injuring or destroying one, and also sunk a transport which attacked it.

WEDNESDAY IS LIBERTY DAY

It is the desire of the Government that Wednesday, October 24th, be known as Liberty Day. In view of this fact, the call has come from Washington that Liberty Bonfires be started in every city, town and village of the United States, on Tuesday, Oct. 23rd, as near 7 o'clock in the evening as is possible.

The Government also requests that dead leaves, old papers, or any other non-usable material be utilized in order to avoid all needless waste of fuel. If you can secure historic bits of wood of local interest, this will make the occasion more impressive. The State Chairman asks that specimens of such wood be sent to Raleigh and to Washington for the State and National fires on Oct. 23rd.

FRENCH PREMIER MINUS CABINET

(By UNITED PRESS)
Paris, Oct. 23.—Premier Painleve found himself without a cabinet after two futile efforts to dissuade his ministers from resigning.

ALLIES ARRIVE AT SALONICA

(By UNITED PRESS)
Washington, Oct. 23.—French and British reinforcements are arriving daily on the Italian front, Rome cables received here today indicate.

MEETING FOR TOBACCO MKT.

Come one, come all. Tomorrow afternoon at three o'clock, in the Mayor's office, the meeting of farmers and merchants will be held to complete arrangements for the establishment of a tobacco market in Scotland Neck for next year.

The plans have been clearly outlined, and the cost of the buildings have been carefully approximated, so that the essential details can be quickly settled at the meeting tomorrow, and then the temporary organization can be made permanent, and directors and officers elected to handle the tedious work of building and establishment.

Farmers should welcome this move, for it is in direct line of progress, and convenience, which all farmers now welcome. Don't stay away because you do not want to invest. There are plenty of others who will do that. What is wanted is your good will, Mr. Farmer, and co-operation in a plan that is meant as much for you as for the town.

The several committees will be ready to report at this meeting and it is anticipated that the business will go through with a rush. Don't forget the hour and place. Mayor's office, Scotland Neck, Wednesday (tomorrow) afternoon at 3:30.

FRANCO-BRITISH CONTINUE DRIVE

(By UNITED PRESS)
London, Oct. 23.—Another combined general offensive of the British and French, beyond what was formerly the Ypres sector, forecasts the first of two preliminary steps to such concerted action, designed to widen the edge of the wedge which General Haig has been steadily pushing through the German lines since July 31. The British wedge now rests near Passchendaele.

ANOTHER LOAN TO FRANCE

Washington, Oct. 23.—The treasury department announced a further loan of \$20,000,000 to France.

Day Of Prayer For Success In Arms

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES A PROCLAMATION:—

Whereas, the Congress of the United States by concurrent resolution adopted on the fourth day of the present month of October, in view of the entrance of our nation into the vast and awful war which now affects the greater part of the world, has requested me to set apart by official proclamation a day upon which our people should be called upon to offer concerted prayer to Almighty God for His divine aid in the successes of our arms; and

Whereas, it behooves a great free people, nurtured as we have been in the eternal principles of justice and right, a nation which has sought from its earliest days of its existence to be obedient to the divine teachings which have inspired it in the exercises of its liberties, to turn always to the Supreme Master and cast themselves in faith at His feet, praying for His aid and succor in

every hour of trial, to the end that the great aims to which our fathers dedicated our power as a people may not perish among men, but be always asserted and defended, with fresh ardor and devotion, and, through the divine blessings, set at last upon an enduring foundation for the benefit of all the free people of the earth.

Now therefore, I, Woodrow Wilson, president of the United States, gladly respond to the wish expressed by the Congress, do appoint October 28, being the last Sunday of the present month, as a day of supplication and prayer for all the people of the nation, honestly exhorting all my countrymen to observe the appointed day, according to their several faiths, in solemn prayer that God's blessings may rest upon the high task which is laid upon us, to the end that the cause for which we give our lives and treasure may triumph and our efforts to be blessed with high achievement.

COUNTER ATTACK AGAINST BRITISH

(By UNITED PRESS)
London, Oct. 23.—German troops made a successful counter blow against one of the new British posts in the southern portion, south of Oulst woods, forcing the British to fall back a short distance, General Haig reports this morning.

BOY AIRMAN TAKES AIRSHIP

(By W. J. Pegler.)
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)
Bourbonne les Bains, Oct. 23.—A twenty one year old French airman, single handed, forced a German Zeppelin, L-49, to descend on French soil, and at the point of his revolver captured the dirigible crew of more than a score, before they could destroy the airship.

An American officer was the first person to come to his assistance.

SEPARATE PEACE GERMANY'S PLAN

Washington, Oct. 24.—Germany's new Russian smashes mean chiefly that she is trying to gain a separate Russian peace, while, at the same time trying to cheer the flagging spirits of her own people.

That is the view taken by Secretary of War, Baker, but Russian diplomats are assured that there will be no separate peace, while Secretary Baker also declared as it lengthened the Teutonic line of communications in this German eastern drive, these advances would ultimately tend to an allied victory.

BOMB AUSTRIAN ARMORIES

(By United Press.)
Washington, Oct. 23.—Several Austrian munition depots have been blown up recently by civilians rendered desperate by food shortage, Rome cables state.

MC ADOO SPEAKS IN NASHVILLE

(By United Press.)
Nashville, Oct. 23.—Secretary of the Treasury, W. G. McAdoo, spoke here today in the interest of the Liberty Loan subscription.

BIG WARPLANE OVER NEW YORK

(By United Press.)
Minneapolis, N. Y., Oct. 23.—A big Caproni warplane which flew here from Newport News will soar over New York tomorrow dropping Liberty Loan paper bombs.

BULGARIA IS FRIGHTENED

(By United Press.)
Washington, Oct. 23.—Bulgaria, frightened at the "handwriting on the wall" is conducting a separate peace propaganda through her envoy here, according to the Greek minister, Rossos Georgos.

In an interview given the United Press he expressed his opinion that Bulgaria had already made plans for eventualities in connection with the crushing German defeat.

FIRST TOWN IN STATE TO TAKE BONDS

PATRIOTISM, UNIMBELLISHED, BRINGS LEADERS TOGETHER IN SUBSCRIBING WHOLE AMOUNT ALLOTTED TO SCOTLAND NECK.

SECOND LIBERTY LOAN GOING STRONG

LIBERTY BONDS XMAS. GIFTS

(By William Bibbs McAdoo.)
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)
Washington, Oct. 23.—There could not be a more appropriate Christmas gift for 1917 than an United States Liberty Bond. "Let every patriotic American this year determine that they will waste no money for Christmas gifts, on no value gifts, that would merely indulge the appetite for vanity.

(By Samuel Gonnors.)
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)
Washington, Oct. 23.—Liberty Bonds of Christmas presents is a splendid idea.

It combines the spirit of Christmas, the spirit of American patriotism, as nothing else could.

In my estimation there could be no more fitting gift between friends and families.

The plan will keep many, many, of our sadly needed dollars from disappearing and from useless fripperies.

I cannot too strongly endorse Liberty Bonds for Christmas presents.

FRENCH BEGIN BIG DRIVE

(By United Press.)
Paris, Oct. 23.—French troops began a big drive in the Aisne sector with initial victories.

"After several days bombardment we attacked the powerful lines of the enemy between Allemann and Malmaison," is the announcement of the war office, which further states that the French troops are progressing satisfactorily over a wide front.

HEAVY TOLL OF GERMAN NAVY

(By United Press.)
Petrograd, Oct. 23.—Two dreadnaughts, a cruiser, twelve torpedo boats and a transport, as well as numerous mine sweepers were put out of action, or lost, was the toll Germany was forced to pay for her occupation of Oesel, Moon and the Dago islands, with the adjacent bit of coast at Werder, according to a review of the Russian operations just made public.

Pride should glow in all faces of the people of Scotland Neck that twenty of the leading men of the community should voluntarily come forward and subscribe their names, binding them to take a pro-rata part of seventy five thousand dollars worth of the second issue of Liberty Loan Bonds.

Hereunder given the pledge they have signed, and the names of the men who have stood sponsor for this great amount, and this action should be remembered for many a year as one of the most patriotic acts of the leading men of this community.

Now will come the time to find out how much this has been appreciated by the sums applied for by the people of the town and surrounding country, in order that all may have a share in this nation-wide movement.

We, the undersigned subscribers to the second Liberty Loan of the United States of America, in consideration of mutual promises, do hereby severally agree to, and with each other, that we will take, and do hereby subscribe to the said second Liberty Loan for our pro-rata share of \$75,000.00, said \$75,000.00 being the amount subscribed for us by the Planters and Commercial Bank and the Scotland Neck Bank jointly; provided however, the individual liability shall not exceed one-twentieth of the said \$75,000.00.

This list of twenty names is only a part of the final list of guarantors who will sign the application for the seventy five thousand dollars of bonds, and we go to press too soon to get the final list of names, and the entire list will appear tomorrow.

S. A. Dunn, T. B. Wheeler, J. H. Alexander, Jr., Claude Kitchen, O. J. Moore, Henry T. Clark, W. H. McDowell, W. E. Smith, Frank P. Shields, Hugh Johnson, A. McDowell, N. B. Jesse, G. Hoffman, Sam Hoffman, Mammie Hoffman, J. E. Bowers, Planters and Commercial Bank, Scotland Neck Bank, James A. Pittman, C. Frank Burroughs.

Don't forget the mass meeting in the Mayor's office tomorrow afternoon on the Tobacco Warehouse proposition. A big crowd expected. It will be bigger if you come.

COTTON MARKET

Dec.	27.33	27.55	27.33	27.65
Jan.	27.02	27.23	27.02	27.24
Mar.	26.78	26.93	26.78	26.93
May	26.67	26.86	26.67	26.86
July	26.52	26.77	26.52	26.77
Local market 27 1/4 cents.				