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## OVERMAN WINS WITH SENATE CONTROL BILL

ESTIMATING THE FULL STRENGTH OF ADMINISTRATION FORCES HE REJECTS ALL AMENDMENTS AND WINS BY VOTE 63 TO 13.

## REED OF MISSOURI VOTES AGAINST BILL

(By United Press) Washington, April 30.—Senator Overman displayed greater generalship late yesterday when he rejected all amendments in the senate to the Overman bill, giving the president power to co-ordinate and reorganize government departments and other agencies during the war, and forced the bill to a vote which netted him a victory of 63 to 13. Senator Reed, of Missouri, being the only democrat to vote against the bill.

The bill which will be given an early consideration by the house authorizes the president to make such redistribution of functions among executive agencies as he may deem necessary and to utilize, co-ordinate and consolidate any executive or administrative commission, bureau, agencies, offices and officers now existing by law, to transfer any duties or powers from one existing department or to transfer the personnel thereof, these powers, however, shall be exercised only in matters relating to the conduct of the present war.

## SURPRISE WEDDING AT HOBGOOD

Hobgood, April 30.—War brings its sorrows, and sometimes joys, for it often hastens marriage, which was the case today when Lieutenant Joseph Mason, of Charlotte, who had just completed his furlough, was married to Miss Marion O. White, of Hobgood, at the home of the brides parents Mr. and Mrs. W. P. White, the Rev. P. L. Vernon officiating.

It appears that Lieut. Mason had just completed his course at Fort Oglethorpe, and received commission, and before going into camp at Camp Jackson obtained a furlough to visit his sweetheart.

On last Sunday, as time for his induction into camp was drawing near, it was arranged that the two young people should throw in their lot together, the result was the marriage took place this morning at eleven o'clock at the home of the bride, and the happy couple are now on their way to visit the groom's people in Charlotte.

The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. White, of Hobgood, and had been teaching this year at Braswell's while the groom had just completed his training at Oglethorpe.

Lieut. Mason is a graduate of A. and E. college and was for some time connected with the textile department of one of the mills at Roanoke Rapids.

Of those who were present at the marriage, the immediate family included: Mr. and Mrs. W. H. White; Sheriff and Mrs. R. B. Hyatt, of Tarboro; Mr. Arthur Ruffin, of Lewiston; Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Gray; Mr. Hunter Price, of Williamston and Miss Helene White, of Rocky Mount.

## WAR FINANCE BOARD AFFIRMED

(By United Press) Washington, April 30.—The Senate finance committee reported favorably the nomination of the directors of the War Finance Corporation, submitted yesterday by President Wilson.

## CHINESE EGGS 50 YRS. OLD

(By United Press) Philadelphia, April 30.—Eggs from China—not China eggs, but hen's eggs from the Orient—fifty years young have been seized by Robert Simmers, agent of the State and Food Commission.

Eggs is eggs, but fifty-year-old eggs, although still eggs are not the proper kind of hen-fruit for Philadelphia, in the opinion of Mr. Simmers. The whole proceeding ran in fifties. There were fifty cases of the eggs, they were fifty years old, and it took Simmers just about 50 seconds to taboo them.

The consignment was packed in air-tight-cans and was to have been put in cold storage at the Reading Terminal plant until bakers needed them for cake. They were "canned" alright.

## ALIEN PROPERTY MAY BE SOLD

(By United Press) Washington, April 30.—The Alien Property Custodian has been given power to sell, at private sale without advertisement, enemy-owned livestock, feed or food stuffs, hides and other animal products, agricultural products, fertilizers, chemicals, drugs essential oils, lumber, cotton, tobacco, furniture, books, glass and china ware, wearing apparel, jewelry, precious stones, pictures, armaments, bric-a-brac, objects of art, raw or finished textile materials, trunks, boxes, partially or completely manufactured metals fabrics, rubber and rubber products, and all kinds of merchandise, in lots having a market value of not more than \$10,000.

Such sales may be held at places and under conditions prescribed by the the Alien Property Custodian.

## DANFORD HEADS CAMP JACKSON

(By United Press) Washington April 30.—Lieut. Colonel Robert M. Danfort has been ordered to Camp Jackson, Columbia, S. C. to organize and assume command of the field artillery replacement depot there.

## VA. RAILROADS INCREASE RATES

(By United Press) Richmond, Va., April 30.—Virginia railroads have been granted fifteen per cent increase in freight rates upon orders of the State Corporation Commission, which order followed the hearing of a few weeks ago at which the railroads showed how hard they had been hit by war conditions.

## FIFTY EIGHT FRESH LOSSES

(By United Press) Washington, April 30.—Fifty eight casualties were listed by the war department today showed 2 deaths in action, two fatal accidents, six died from disease, five severely wounded and forty two slightly wounded, with one man missing in action.

## LIBERTY LOAN \$2,400,442,400.

(By United Press) Washington, April 30.—With four days to go after the Third Liberty Loan the total has touched the two billion four hundred million and forty two thousand four hundred dollars at ten thirty o'clock today.

The increase over the last official report last night was \$130,040,000.

EDITOR—[If every town had come over the top as magnificent as has Scotland Neck, with other applications coming in every day, and showing already more than twenty per cent above the quota, the loan would now be nearly touching five billion dollars instead of being more than half a billion short.]

## ENEMY LOSSES RESULT FROM FORCED BATTLE

HINDENBURG RECEIVES GREAT SET-BACK OF THIS OFFENSIVE—ENEMY TROOPS POWERLESS TO ADVANCE

## ORDERS MEN FORWARD REGARDLESS LOSS THROUGH BIG WAR WITHOUT A SCRATCH

(By United Press) London, April 30.—Three full years and seven months of continuous fighting in the infantry without a day's leave of absence or sick-leave is the record of Sergeant Dodkinson of the middlesex Diehards, a famous English regiment.

The Sergeant has never been wounded. Until a few days ago he thought his record must be the record of the British Army but a few have turned up since his was printed which make Sergeant Dodkinson look like a recruit in a training battalion.

There's Corporal J. White of the Royal Fusiliers who went out with the "Contemptibles," fought in all the big battles that Hodkins fought in and these besides—Guillemont, Arras, Beaumont Hamel, Monchy, Bullecourt, the battles of Cambrai and in the present Kaiser battle. He has never had so much as a cut finger.

And Sergeant W. Willis, Highland Light Infantry, a kilted lad, also a "Contemptible" and his four brothers, all of them still in the fight. Their only sister is in khaki, too, a Waac.

Corporal J. Baker of the Garrison Artillery, went out before Mons, at the age of 15, having run away from home and enlisted in the name of his uncle. Some of his battles are Mons, Le Cateau, the Marne, the Aisne, the Somme, Ypres, the Cambri Battles, Vimy and the Kaiser Battle.

On the other hand, Fate duels cruelly with some families of fighting people.

L. G. Sutton, deputy mayor of Reading, has just one son left of five big lads each of whom joined as soon as eligible. A few days ago he received his fourth of those dread letters from the war office, this time announcing that Lieut. E. M. Sutton, of the Royal Engineers had been killed in action in France.

## RUSSIA TO RE-ENTER WAR

Petrograd April 24—(Delayed)—Russia is preparing in the most tremendous manner to re-enter the war, so far as possible under present circumstances.

The Pan Executive Committee of Moscow, on the eve of the receipt of the forty-second ultimatum from Germany, adopted a war commissary, on the lines of Trotsky's plan, for universal military training of all men from sixteen to forty, which means the conscription of all workers and peasants.

(By UNITED PRESS) London, April 30.—The Germans were completely halted in a desperate attack over a wide front in Flanders, which was designed to force the evacuation of Ypres.

General Haig in a late report states that the northern battle front is comparatively quiet following the heavy repulse inflicted on the enemy yesterday and again last night, showing that the enemy is exhausted by the terrific pace and the enormous casualties.

With the British armies in Flanders, April 30.—Hindenburg has had one of the worst days since the commencement of his last offensive, for repeated on slaughts yesterday and far into the night the allied line is intact save between Montsrouge and Scheperonberg, known as Hyde Park corner, where the situation is somewhat obscure.

London April 30.—The village of Luere remains in the hands of the French according to dispatches from General Haig this morning, which states as follows:

"East of Villers-Brettonneux we advanced our lines slightly on the northern battle front, forcing the enemy back and repulsing his attacks with heavy losses to his forces. Last night was comparatively quiet.

"Successful counter attacks by the French in the neighborhood of Luere yesterday afternoon and evening drove the enemy from the remainder of the ground he gained during the morning and they took a number of enemy prisoners

With the British armies in Flanders April 30.—German artillery is roaring from Ypres and Meteren.

Low flying aviators report an attack less furious that yesterday morning when wave after wave of the enemy forces broke down.

The German high command ordered its men to take the first hills from Kemmen Descats, five and a half miles east of Loos, at any cost, also Ypres.

As this is cabled neither the British nor the French have yielded ground despite one of the most serious onslaughts of the war.

Plant seeds in your war garden, plant your dollars in Liberty bonds. You will have to take care of the garden, but Uncle Sam will take care of the bonds for you.

### COTTON MARKET.

	Open	High	Low	Close
May	25.65	25.86	25.00	25.86
July	25.46	25.84	24.80	25.84
Oct.	24.78	25.15	24.38	25.12
Dec.	24.78	25.00	24.38	25.00
Jan.	24.55	24.84	24.25	24.84

Local Market Normal

## EVERYBODY PUSH

