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THURSDAY, MARCH 28, 1918.
Draft that vacant lot into garden service.

Hoing the garden will beat Hoenzollern.

"Money talks." Congress must be all of millionaires.

A drive against an offensive—Pope round-up of vagrants.

Among the eclipses for this year is the German sun.

"As ye sow, so shall ye reap." suggested motto for gardeners.

One of the most vicious busy-bodies aroused by the war is Dame Ruor.

The Kaiser's rolling up plan appears about ready to take on reverse English.

For some reason, a ride on the war wagon is seldom referred to as a "oy-ride."

If the price of cotton continues to advance, cotton hose may soon be fashionable.

Paris chefs are not worrying over that to prepare for Hindenburg's dinner next Monday.

The German offensive began just about as the German leaders said, which was the only surprise of it.

It would hardly be correct to refer that long range weapon bombardment Paris as a son-of-a-gun.

Every time the housewife follows the food administration rules of conservation she takes a pot-shot at the tin.

Some people expect to find in heaven sitting on top of the highest mountain of gold a church devoted solely their denomination.

The Germans made a quick grab at am. We are glad that there was no down further behind the Allied line med Kraut.

Those Senators attacking America's conduct of the war by demanding "pittless publicity" are displaying pitiful assinnity.

A storm out in Ohio the other day raked the feathers from chickens. wouldn't take much of a storm to featherize some chickens we have in.

Somebody has accused the editors of The Greenville Piedmont as being pro-German. That was certainly some pro-American who reads in that light.

The provision that merchants are to sell more than 24 pounds of flour to one person appears to the average man as useless, for few of can buy that much flour and the amount of substitutes at the time.

Now that the railroads may exchange passes with newspapers for advertising space, we expect plans to started right away for a summer outing of the North Carolina Press association to be held in Wilmington.

The ways of the Food Administration are rather difficult for the kiddies understand. First there is an appeal for the hens to lay all they can; then comes the request that rabbits refrain from laying those brightly colored Easter eggs.

NO MIDDLE GROUND.
There are just two things about this business: A person is either for America or against it, and all the excuses or hair-splitting that you may do will not change this one bit.

Most of the German people over here came to get away from the military rule and oppression at home. Should by any unlucky stroke of fortune the Prussian win this war, and dominate the world as he desires to do, we would like to know where in the thunder these German expatriates are going to run to next.

Eastern Carolina truckers were never in a better position to clean up financially than this year, so far as the size of crops and the prices. The only fear is that of transportation.

All praise for those of German extraction who are loyal to America, and thank God for them, but toward those who are waiting an opportunity to stick a knife in our backs, vigorous action should be taken.

President Wilson has mustered into the army of workers for the Third Liberty Loan the Boy Scouts of America and the Girl Scouts.

The work of the Boy Scouts in the two previous Liberty Loan campaigns was an inspiring feature. In the second campaign they obtained 533,000 subscriptions for over \$100,000,000 worth of bonds.

IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION.
The meeting held in Fayetteville yesterday started off in the right direction, and if the men behind it will keep eternally after the goal they have set an immense amount of good can be done for North Carolina.

OUR DAILY BIRTHDAY PARTY.
Jacob H. Gallinger, of New Hampshire, oldest member of the United States Senate, born at Cornwall, Ont., 81 years ago today.

BIG CROP OF SPUDS.
According to The North Carolina Fruit and Truckers Journal, this season will see the largest production of potatoes in Eastern North Carolina in history, and there should be spuds enough next winter to feed all of us and then some.

THE ABOVE QUOTED REPORTS INDICATE that the output of Irish potatoes in this section of the State will surpass all records this year. Not only do the reports show a prospective big yield of potatoes, but also snap beans, lettuce, strawberries, English peas and other truck crops.

Whiteville expects carload movement of strawberries to begin about April 15, and the Willard reporter thinks that the berries should begin to move from that section by April 10 or 15.

Hickory Record: North Carolinians answered the Germans Saturday in their own way. Great Liberty Loan meetings were held at Statesville, Greensboro and Raleigh and Fayetteville people held special prayers for the success of the British arms.

Rocky Mount Telegram: It is announced that one hundred men will be affected by the closing down of the assembling plant of the Ford Motor Co's. plant at Charlotte which is being done so it is declared on account of the embarrassed transportation conditions.

DAYLIGHT SAVING BEGINS SUNDAY MORNING.
There seems to be some confusion, and this has been caused partly by newspaper stories, as to just when the daylight saving rule is to come into effect, and in some places there is reported doubt as to whether the hands of the clocks are to be run forward or backward an hour.

A DAILY LESSON IN HISTORY.
One Hundred Years Ago Today.
1818—Gen. Wade Hampton, famous Confederate leader, Governor of South Carolina and United States Senator, born at Charleston, S. C. Died at Columbia, S. C., April 11, 1902.

Fifty Years Ago Today.
1868—Earl of Cardigan, who led the famous charge of the light brigade at Balaclava, died in England. Born there October 16, 1797.

Dr. J. B. Weatherspoon accepts the call to the pastorate of the First Baptist church here.
A telegram was sent him Sunday afternoon notifying him of the unanimous call extended by the congregation at the close of the morning service.

YEAR AGO TODAY IN THE WAR.
March 28, 1917.—Conference of German and Austrian emperors, presumably on possibility of averting war with the United States; British on Western front pushed Germans two miles in 24 hours, capturing several more villages.

WITH THE EDITORS
New Bern Sun-Journal: The authorities over at Wilmington several days ago decided that there were entirely too many vagrants, both white and colored, in that town and Saturday they began a big "offensive" against these human parasites and something like thirty or forty of these, including a number of well dressed young white men, have been taken into custody and haled into court and in every instance where it has been proven that the defendants were without work and without visible means of support, they have been severely dealt with by the court.

Charlotte Observer: Durham is one of the more thickly populated counties in the State, yet it has been found that there are 137,000 acres of land in that county idle, which is to say, uncultivated. The war is doing a good service to the State in the particular matter of attracting attention to its vast acreage in idle lands. The counties nearest this idleness is in greater evidence are counties where the soil, as a general thing, is richest.

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STATE NEWS
A very sad accident occurred on the farm of Mr. T. W. Baxley Saturday, March 16, 1918, when his son Wade went to the field where his father was plowing, to ride the horse back to the house. While his father was holding the horse and just as Wade started to get on him, the horse became frightened, and in spite of his father's effort to quiet him, he broke away and ran, throwing Wade. One of his feet became entangled in the harness and he was dragged for about one-half mile, when the horse was stopped by Gibb Bryant, who came to his rescue. Wade was still entangled in the harness when the horse was stopped, but it was found that he was dead.—Red Springs Citizen.

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A reply came Monday afternoon from Dr. Weatherspoon, stating that he had decided to accept. This will be gratifying news to the members and friends of this church.

Dr. Weatherspoon stated in his telegram that a letter from him would follow. He and his family are not expected here before about June 1 as the present term of the Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth, Texas, in which he holds the chair of Hebrew and Old Testament theology, will not close until the latter part of May.—Twin City Sentinel.

J. H. Hayman, of this city, met with the misfortune this morning to have his left hand so terribly mangled, due to the accidental going off of his gun, that his physician had to amputate it. Mr. Hayman, while going to his dinner today, was carrying his gun home with him. He had forgotten the fact that he had failed to remove the shell, so in walking over some oyster shells, in some way, fell, causing the gun to

Quality Merchandise Bon Marche Style Satisfaction
Pre-Easter Specials for Friday and Saturday

You have only two days more to do your Easter shopping, there are several special values offered for Friday and Saturdays special that will be worthy of your attention and investigation.

Friday and Saturday Specials In the Silk Section
This apparently is to be a wonderful silk season. The government has requested the conservation of woollens and has taken over numbers of looms of cotton fabrics.

\$2.00 All Silk Georgette Crepe at \$1.79
This special price is for Friday and Saturday only. It includes over thirty colors of attractive all-silk georgette crepes, 40 inches wide.

The entire load struck Mr. Hayman in the hand, tearing it practically all to pieces, so much so, that it had to be amputated. Mr. Hayman is now at his home and is resting as well as could be expected under the circumstances.—Greenville News.

For Sale
3,000 bushels North Carolina Peanuts for seed or for parching.

D. L. GORE COMPANY
211 Market Street

SEEDS
COWPEAS SOY BEANS and GARDEN SEEDS
John S. McEachern Son
211 Market Street

STEAMER WILMINGTON.
Schedule Effective March 16th, 1918.
Leave Wilmington Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, 9:30 A. M.

A Warm Garage Without Heat
Cornell-Wood-Board for the walls and ceilings of your garage will make it warm and weather-proof. Easily, quickly and economically put up.

M. W. DIVINE & COMPANY
23 Market Street Wilmington, N. C.

TO THE PUBLIC:
I am deeply grateful to the voters of New Hanover County, for the handsome support given me in yesterday's Primary. It will be impossible to thank all individually, and I take this method of expressing my sincere gratitude to you all.

PAY YOUR TAXES
Taxpayers are notified that an additional one-half per cent will be added to all taxes remaining unpaid on the First of April.