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BRITISH SAY THAT LENS MUST FALL SOON

Will Allies Astride the Hindenberg Line One of The Pivots on Which Has Swung German Retreat Now Seriously Menaced.

With the British Armies Afeld, April 14—Lens must fall before the Canadian advance.

The British are steadily closing around France's great mining capital. The Canadians are hurrying themselves from the Vimy Heights on the Germans staggering back across the plain.

German resistance to the British onslaught is desperate but ineffective. Vimy ridge is still shelled from afar by German guns and also other British positions.

The British are steadily gaining command of all the high ground villages and other vantage points astride the Hindenburg line.

London, April 14—Suddenly switching the point of his drive from around Arras, General Haig, last night smashed forward to the South around St. Quentin and advanced to Fayet, within two miles of the city.

Paris, April 14—The bombardment of positions south of St. Quentin continued all through the night by French artillery.

New York, April 14—Approximately one month ago the British offensive began, and coincidentally the German strategic retreat.

Some of this territory has been snatched from the Germans only by the most violent fighting. In some places the British advance has carried forward for 33 miles.

New Theatre Again Monday

Movie fans will hail with delight the announcement that the New Theatre opens Monday with a World Film picture that is characterized as a veritable thunderbolt production.

In this picture Kith Gordon, the British favorite queen of the movie screen, robed in magnificent gowns, is seen in what is described as her greatest role.

No doubt a big crowd will attend the re-opening of the New Theatre under such favorable auspices.

The 17-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Ward is ill with the measles at her home on Greenleaf street.

WEATHER OR NO

Fair tonight and Sunday. Fresh nor' winds.

House Will Vote Loan

Washington, April 14—The House will vote a loan of 3 billion dollars to the allies immediately and without important reservation.

To Co-operate With Russia

Washington, April 14—The United States is contemplating sending a commission to Russia to offer assistance in the reorganization of the Russian government.

The American reorganization of Russian industries is planned with the idea of making American-Russian cooperation as forceful as to make a separate Russian-German peace out of the question.

Was Shelled By Submarine

Washington, April 14—The schooner Edwin R. Hunt was shelled by a German submarine a week ago off Cape Gata and the master of the crew landed there.

U. D. C. TUESDAY AFTERNOON The D. H. Hill Chapter, U. D. C., meets Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock with Mrs. W. L. Cahoon at her residence on West Church street.

Expert Here Next Week

The first warm days are felt first in tired, aching feet, and the public is not getting a lot of comfort through the long summer months.

Just at this time comes to Elizabeth City an expert to help solve foot problems, and his coming will bring relief to the many who will doubtless take advantage of this opportunity.

The S. Hill's foot expert will be at Queens Shoe Store on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, April 16, 17, 18. He has been engaged by this firm at considerable expense and can only remain for a few days but during this time he will see all who can call and will advise them without charge of their foot needs.

FOR RENT—7 ROOM HOUSE INCLUDING BATH, CORNER BROAD AND FIRST STREET. FULLY EQUIPPED WITH WATER AND GAS. WILL RENT FOR TEN DOLLARS PER MONTH. APPLY TO W. S. OVERMAN

A PROCLAMATION

CLEAN UP WEEK

To All Officials and Citizens of North Carolina: As your State official charged with the prevention and suppression of fires, I would proclaim the first week in May as

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

and invite and urge upon all officers, especially those charged with the duty of protecting the lives and property of our cities and towns to co-operate with me in using the first week in May as "Clean Up Week" for the removal of all trash, rubbish and in fact everything from their premises that is liable to cause or feed a fire.

Untidy conditions and carelessly kept premises, whether in our homes or business buildings, are responsible for much of our loss by fires.

FIRE WASTE

Our fire waste is immense—startling. The fire insurance companies pay annually in losses in North Carolina over \$2,500,000. Add to this the loss not covered by insurance, certainly \$1,500,000, and we have an annual fire waste of \$4,000,000, to say nothing of the loss of life, or the cost of fire premiums, fire departments and other means of fire loss prevention.

APPEAL

Let every Mayor and his associates observe this week looking after the conditions of their buildings and all means used for fire protection and prevention.

Let the chief of each fire department and his men examine their fire apparatus to see that it is in proper condition and inspect all premises in their city or town.

Let each business man examine his premises and remove all trash and rubbish and inspect all heating apparatus.

Let each woman inspect her home, clean out the basement, attic and all closets. Remove all trash and rubbish from the premises and see that the chimneys, flues and pipes are sound and safe.

CIVIC BODIES

Let every Board of Trade, Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club, Woman's Club, Troop of Boy Scouts, as well as all school children under the lead of their teachers observe this "Clean Up Week" and make it a memorable and profitable one in the history of their city and homes aiding in the prevention of fires and loss of life.

James R. Spring Insurance Commissioner

Write for supply of literature.

TO THE PEOPLE

Now that the Democratic Primary is about over and you know who will represent you for the next two years on the Board of Aldermen, I will attempt to say a few words to you in my behalf for the position of City Manager.

If I am elected to the position of City Manager I pledge you that I will recommend no person to the Board for any position whom I do not consider competent and efficient and who will reflect credit to the place and who will be worthy of your respect and confidence.

I pledge you further that I will see that the Officers of the city perform their duty at all times and rigidly enforce the laws of your city with wisdom and discretion.

I pledge you further that all contracts that your city has or will have with any individual, firm or corporation will be carried out to the letter and that you will receive one hundred cents for every dollar of your money that is spent for any and all purposes.

I will see that your traffic laws are enforced for your safety and for the safety of your children going to and from school. I will see that your sanitary laws are enforced for the protection of your health. This is a very important matter and should be enforced at all times and not once or twice a year.

I pledge you that I will see to it that your streets and sidewalks

are swept and cleaned, especially in the business district of your city so that the principal streets of your city will be clean at all times and look decent and in keeping with the growing progress of your city.

I pledge you that I will co-operate at all times with your Chamber of Commerce, Civic League, Betterment Society, Churches and Fraternal Orders to not only make this city the cleanest, biggest, healthiest and most sanitary but strive to make it the best city in the State of North Carolina.

I will lend every effort possible to induce the Meat Merchants and Fish Dealers and Bucksters of this city to occupy the Market House and in this way raise the revenue necessary to retire the Bonds and interest for same but I will not favor a movement to drive the people to occupy this building. It must be paid for either by taxation or revenue. Which method do you favor?

I am in favor of your city owning all its public utility plants but I am not in favor of the city taking them over unless they can be bought at a reasonable price and the people favor this movement. I honestly believe that if the city owned its water Works, Gas Plant and Sewerage System that the revenue from the commercial part will give your city free water for its hydrants and at the same time give you more hydrants that are

Tonight's Show At Alkrama

Saturday, matinee and night, June Clarice, the rival of Mary Pickford and Marguerite Clark, will appear at the Alkrama in "The Sweetest Story Ever Told."

June Caprice, in "Little Miss Happiness," the Sweetest Story ever Told" will be shown. This story appeals to all and especially to children.

Monday matinee and night, "True Love Conquers all in the Gates of Eden." Viola Dona shows how a pure girl crushes fanaticism, tames a father mad with revenge and wins a loyal young suitor.

Francis X. Bushman and Beverly Bayne appear in one of the most startling and interesting episodes of the "Great Secret" yet filmed.

so badly needed at this time for the protection of the property of this City.

I am in favor of a White Way for your city to extend from Dyer street down Main street to Water street and from Ehringhaus street down Road street to Cypress street and from the City Market down Poindexter Street to Burgess street and I believe that if your city owned its Electric Light Plant or Gas Plant that this lighting could be done without any extra expense to the city as the revenue from the commercial end of the plant will make either of them self supporting.

I am in favor of a better sewerage system than we now have for the reason that it will be for your interest from your standpoint. If the city owned its Sewerage system we could have a better system and the better the system is the better off are the citizens of this city.

I pledge you further that the complaint and suggestion to me of the humblest person of this city will receive the same careful consideration as that of the wealthiest person of your city. We must work in harmony with each other and the board at all times if we expect to accomplish anything for the advancement and progress of this city.

I pledge you further that every citizen and every Ward in your city will get a square deal at my hands and I will do all that I can within my power to cause you can within my power to cause you electing me to this huge and responsible position. I am a property owner of your city and have always lived here among you and you know my past life and record.

I do not seek the position to "get even" with anyone nor do I seek it because I especially need the position but I sincerely and conscientiously believe that I have some ideas and views that I can put into operation that will be for the upbuilding and advancing of your city and put it in the ranks of the other towns of this State of the same size and population.

Personally, I am opposed to the present Sunday laws that we have in operation, but this is a matter for the Board of Aldermen to regulate.

If I am NOT elected to this position of City Manager, I pledge you that I will continue to live amongst you as I have in the past without any hard feelings towards any man and I will strive to aid your City Manager, as best I can.

—Mr. Alderman-elect—If this sounds good to you I will appreciate your support and vote on the Board when the proper time comes. Mr. Voter and Tax Payer, if this sounds good to you I will appreciate it and thank you if you will speak a good word to your Aldermen in my behalf for this position. If it does not sound good to you, tell me.

Yours for service and work. HARRY T. GREENLEAF, JR. Candidate for City Manager.

SCHOOLS DEBATE ON APRIL 19TH

WINNERS IN TRIANGULAR DEBATES TO GO TO CHAPEL HILL ON THAT DATE TO CONTEST FOR AYCOCK CUP

Chapel Hill, April 14—The fifth annual final contest of the High School Debating Union of North Carolina will be held at Chapel Hill on April 19th and 20th. Eighty schools were successful in their triangular debates on March 30th, from a total of 325 schools in 42 counties participating, and will send their teams numbering 820 student debaters to enter the final contest for the Aycock Memorial Cup.

The schools which are to meet at Chapel Hill in the finals for the Aycock Memorial Cup are: Graham, Statesville, Bryson City, Charlotte, Lenoir, Mooresville, Dixie, Mount Holly, Winston-Salem, Tarboro, Lillington, Franklinton, Selma, Leaksville, Jackson, Pleasant Garden, Elm City, Knap of Reeds, Townsville, Bladenboro, Clemmons, Candler, Calypso, Huntersville, Marshville, Edenton, Wendell, Columbus, Greenville, Jamestown, Atkinson, Benson, Jacksonville, Holly Springs, Lucama, Wadesboro, Wilmington, Bay, Spencer, Laurinburg, Spring Hill, Snead's Grove, South Buffalo, East Bend, Asheville, Thomasville, Oak Hill, Atlantic, Washington Institute, Cedar Grove, Glade Valley, Salemburg, Leicester, Falcon, Bolling Springs, Bain Academy, Jefferson, Indian Trail, Patrick Henry, Grifton, Mount Airy, Sylvan, Elise, Cleveland, Aurora, Mount Olive, Clyde, South Fork, Wincoff, Falling Creek, Mantoo, Pinnacle, Mars Hill, Troy, Olney, Sparata, Sladesville, Yanceyville, Waynesville and Sand Hill.

Since the inauguration of the High School Debating Union the schools of Pleasant Garden, Holly Springs, Statesville and Graham have won the right to representation in the final contest four times out of a possible five. The Statesville High School has won both debates for the past four successive years. Mr. Stuart Cowles has been a member of the Statesville team for the past four successive years. The Pleasant Garden, Winston-Salem, Wilson and Graham high schools have won the award of the Aycock Memorial Cup in previous years.

The fifth annual inter-scholastic track meet and the second annual inter-scholastic tennis tournament will be held at the same time as the debate. The debating and athletic events will altogether make up "High School Week" at the University. Among the schools which will participate in the athletic events are: Greensboro, Raleigh, Chapel Hill, Hillsboro, Huntersville, Wincoff, Fremont, Normal, Oak Ridge, Warrenton and Mooresville.

AT Y. M. C. A. EVERY SUNDAY Beginning Sunday, April 15, religious meetings will be held at the Y. M. C. A. every Sunday afternoon at three o'clock. Mr. C. R. Pugh will be the speaker on the first program which will include a number of musical numbers. The music is in charge of L. E. Skinner.

A NEW PRINTER IN TOWN

A new printer came to Elizabeth City last night. He reached here by the store express, arriving at 9:15 P. M. and immediately asked for a position on The Advance force. He said that he had heard that Joe Peole was going off to the war and that he had come to take his place.