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## FRENCH CALL ON THEIR BIG GUNS

### GREATEST ARTILLERY ACTION EVER SEEN IN WORLD'S HISTORY MARKS FRENCH EFFORT TO CAPTURE GIBRALTER OF CHAMPAGNE

(By HENRY WOOD)  
With The French Armies in Champagne, May 2.—France is waging the world's greatest artillery battle in an effort to blast loose the German hold on the crest of Moronvillers, the Gibraltar of the Champagne plains.

Within sound of the roar of the Giant guns French soldiers are working beside peasant women and children planting crops.

The battle began Sunday. Day and night now the French shells are falling on the German defenses in a continuous and deadly rain. Barages behind the German trenches cut their communications. Barages in front destroyed the barb wire entanglements protecting against an infantry attack, and made eight miles of German trenches a shell rimmed furnace. Meanwhile, fierce aerial battle raged in the star-lighted heavens.

At noon today the French leaped from their trenches and leaping up the slopes of the hills, Haut and Cornillet, were victorious in their first rush, but German resistance stiffened and became desperate.

von Hindenburg threw in another strategic reserve. He now has only ten reserve divisions left out of forty three. Bayonet and grenade fighting continued for many hours and left the French enclosing Moronvillers even more tightly. The Germans hold there is all but broken. Indeed, Germany's fingers are on only a tiny bit of it now.

## MAY LISTEN TO PEACE MOVE

### IF GERMANY OFFERS TO GIVE UP STRONGHOLDS IN BULGARIA, SERBIA AND TURKEY

(By United Press)  
Washington, May 2.—If Germany's peace terms tomorrow include giving up her strongholds in Bulgaria, Serbia, and Turkey the Allies may look twice at the proposition, it is stated here authoritatively.

Three ulterior motives are seen by officials here in these Berlin peace moves. First, to capitalize the last dying hope of Americans that the United States may be swerved from active participation in the war; second, to crystallize the separate peace propaganda in Russia; to keep wavering South America from entering the war.

## BELL SUCCEEDS WOOD AS COMMANDER OF THE EAST

(By United Press)  
Washington, May 2.—Major General Leonard Wood was succeeded as commander of the department of the East today by Major General Franklin Bell who has been commander of the department of the west, with headquarters at San Francisco. Wood establishes the new department of the South, with headquarters at Charleston, S. C.

The transfer which roused a storm of criticism on the part of Wood's friends, who charged that the general's criticism of war department methods was the reason for it, reserves a seven year old incident. In 1910 Wood succeeded Bell as chief of staff today Bell takes the most important post and Wood commands a new and in popular opinion less important post.

## WAR CURTAINS BROADWAY GAITIES TONIGHT

(By United Press)  
New York, May 2.—There will be dancing at the bays at sixty five heretofore all night restaurants and saloons of New York's erstwhile Gay White Way at 1 o'clock tonight.

The sobering shadow of war will cut off the gaieties while the night is yet young. Mayor Mitchell all all-night dances have been suspended, effective today.

## WILL PRESENT BIBLE TO FORKS SCHOOL

The Elizabeth City Junior Order of American Mechanics will present a Bible and flag to Forks school Sunday. The Bible will be presented by Rev E F Sawyer and the flag by Roscoe W Turner. All members of the order are requested to meet at their hall in the Kramer building Sunday afternoon at two o'clock.

## SPECIAL SERMON TO JUNIORS

Rev J L Cunningham will preach a special sermon to the Elizabeth City Order of Junior American Mechanics at the First Methodist church Sunday night. All members of the order are urged to be present at their hall in the Kramer building at 7:30 in order to march in a body to the church.

## GERARD WILL SPEAK AT STATE COLLEGE

West Raleigh, N. C., May 2.—Plans for the twenty-eighth annual commencement of North Carolina State College of Agriculture and Engineering have taken definite shape, and the usual form of ceremony will take place on the 27th, 28th and 29th of May.

The College has been especially fortunate in securing speakers of great distinction for this occasion, which will draw many alumni and visitors. Hon. James W. Gerard, recent ambassador to Germany, will be the principle speaker, and in view of his international prominence and knowledge of the present great world war, no doubt large numbers of people will take advantage of the opportunity to hear him speak. Mr. Gerard's address will come on Monday evening of commencement. The exercises will begin on Sunday with the baccalaureate sermon, which will be delivered by Dr. Edward Mack, president of the Union Theological Seminary, of Richmond, Va. Mr. Junius S. Gates, agriculturalist in the office of Farm Management of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, has been chosen to make the alumni address which will also come on Monday evening.

The annual meeting of the General Alumni Association is scheduled for ten o'clock in the College Y. M. C. A. auditorium the morning of Monday, the 28th. The alumni dinner in the Dining Hall will follow the meeting.

The graduating exercises will take place on Tuesday morning, the 29th, at which time a class of 91 will receive diplomas. The graduates are divided as follows: Agricultural, thirty-five; civil engineering, fifteen; electrical engineering, ten; mechanical engineering, nine; textile industry, thirteen; and master's degrees will go to nine.

## To Insure Seamen's Lives

Washington, May 2.—The administration today asked Congress for authority to insure the lives of officers and seamen on American merchant ships.

## Women To Take Places of Men

New York, May 2.—Many of the big Eastern railroads have started making arrangements to employ women on their force to take the places of the men who will be conscripted.

## Is Considering Rationing Plan

London, May 2.—The War cabinet is considering the compulsory rationing scheme, it was announced today in the House of Commons.

## House Passes Appropriating

Washington, May 2.—The House today passed the Army and Navy appropriation bill of nearly three million.

## CONCERT TONIGHT AT THE ALKRAMA

### SINGING CLASS FROM OXFORD ORPHANAGE THE FEATURE OF PROGRAM AND FULL HOUSE IS ASSURED. CLASS ALREADY HERE

The Singing class of the Oxford Orphanage will give a concert at the Alkrama tonight.

The class will arrive on the two-thirty train this afternoon and the Elizabeth City band will be on hand to greet their arrival. The band will play in front of the Southern Hotel when the class is brought up from the depot and they will play again in front of the theatre before the performance.

Tickets as usual are selling rapidly and a packed house tonight for the concert is assured.

In addition to the concert a five-part Triangle picture will be shown.

Thursday at the Alkrama, matinee and night, Max Linder the World's greatest comedian, will be seen for the first time in this city. Max will star in the new Essanay success "Max Comes Across."

The Paramount picture for Thursday will be "Out of the Wreck," featuring Kathlyn Williams in a very interesting story, pleasingly staged and excellently filmed.

## GOOD PROSPECTS FOR GOOD BAND

### EXPECTED TO HAVE TWENTY EIGHT MEMBERS AND ENTHUSIASTIC SUPPORT FROM THE PUBLIC IS LOOKED FOR

In 1847, J H Zeigler came from Germany to the United States, enlisted in the Army, was assigned to the U. S. Receiving ship as a musician from the Navy he joined John Robinson's Circus as the band director of same, following this from 1851 to 1855. During his travels the circus stopped at Elizabeth City Mr Zeigler liked the town, quit the Circus and made this his home. During the Civil War he organized a band and furnished music for a company stationed at Cape Hatteras and after the War ended he organized a band in Elizabeth City, which organization was maintained until his death in 1889, and since that time his son, F H Zeigler has from time to time striven to perpetuate his father's musical reputation in this town and section.

Last Monday night a band was organized and given the name of THE JH ZEIGLER BAND OF ELIZABETH CITY, with the following officers elected:

- C R Pugh, business manager.
- F H Zeigler, Leader.
- L E Skinner, Musical director, together with Edwin Aydtlett, Jr and Billy Williams composing the committee on rules and regulations of the organization.

The following members were present:

- F H Zeigler (Baritone); L E Skinner (Cornet); C L Zeigler (Cornet); R B Hayman (Cornet); J S Kiser (Clarinet); Clarence Labruzzo (Clarinet); N C Clark (Saxophone); N N Trueblood (Alto); L E Skinner, Jr (Alto); Geo W Spence (Alto); E F Aydtlett, Jr. (Trombone); Kennedy Davis (Trombone); W E Peelle (Trombone); Billy Williams (Baritone); Earl Krauss (Clarinet); Hersey Williams (Tubar); Emmett Wynn (Tubar); Eldon Jones (Tubar); Graham Bell (Drum); Roy Dewey (Drum); Oscar Wynn (Drum).

It is confidently expected that 28 men will be enrolled as members of the band within a short time. A movement will soon be launched to collect the necessary money to finance this worthy project and it is expected that our citizens will show their appreciation as well as admit the need of this organization to the extent that they will liberally support it, at least until it is placed upon its feet.

## POST OFFICE WAS BURNED LAST NIGHT

(By United Press)  
Phoenix, S C, May 2.—The post office here was burned last night.

## A GOOD START ON FAIR STOCK

### TWO THIRDS OF STOCK NECESSARY TO ASSURE FAIR ALREADY SUBSCRIBED AND PROSPECTS GOOD FOR CONTINUED SUCCESS

"The site committee will be prepared to definitely decide upon the question of a site for Elizabeth City's next Fair at this meeting Friday night."

So said Thomas J Markham to a reporter for the Advance when seen this morning. Mr. Markham was busy putting the merits of the fair proposition before a prospective subscriber and paused just long enough to say this and to add "We've already got two thirds of the amount of stock required subscribed, and I am well pleased with the progress we are making."

## LADIES AUXILIARY MEETS

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. will meet this afternoon in the association's parlors at 3 o'clock. It is the regular time for election of officers. Full attendance is requested as every member should have a voice in electing officers for the coming year.

## BAR ASSOCIATION TO MEET AT ASHEVILLE

Wilmington, May 2.—The next annual meeting of the North Carolina Bar Association will be convened at Asheville, North Carolina, July 3, 4 and 5, and the headquarters of the Association will be at the Battery Park Hotel.

The Address of Welcome will be delivered by Mr A Hall Johnston of the Asheville Bar and the Response by Honorable Matt H Allen of Goldsboro.

Addresses will be delivered by Mr R N Simms of Raleigh and Mr E T Candler of Charlotte. Announcement will be made later as to who will make the other addresses.

## To-night At New Theatre

By special request the New Theatre will offer its Bluebird picture, "The End of the Rainbow" again today. So that everyone may have the opportunity of witnessing this wonderful production, Wednesday's are Bluebird days. There is a big treat awaiting you.

## JURY LIST FOR JUNE

The following is the Jury List for Pasquotank County, North Carolina, term of Superior Court, beginning June 4, 1917.

### FIRST WEEK

- Geo. W. Cartwright, Mt. Hermon; A. C. Bell, Enoch Spelcht; D. W. Cartwright, Mt. Hermon; William Horton, Job Ferebee; Jno Webb; T. Deles Cray; W. H. Wilson; Lemuel Jackson, Providence; Ned Rhodes; J. H. Hale; E. G. Davis; W. J. Williams; Victor M. Jenkins; H. C. Grier; Timothy Temple; Joseph Beach; Joe White (Pearl street); John Barry; H. M. Cartwright; J. H. Gard, Jr.; T. J. Meades; Milton Ives.

### SECOND WEEK

- W. H. Bunch; R. C. Winslow; W. A. Jennings; W. C. Morrisette; J. T. Temple, Providence; William W. Sawyer; R. N. Davis; C. A. Long; W. K. Carter; Gilbert Davis; W. T. Swain; Walter Hughes; C. W. Hollowell; W. H. Scott; Salem; J. P. Thompson; S. O. Mullen; L. R. Bundy; G. Pike; F. N. Williams; W. E. Roughton; J. E. Humphries; J. N. Wood; A. H. Baker; O. F. Seymour.

### THIRD WEEK

- Robert Meads; J. A. Meads; Nixonton; R. O. Hooper; W. H. Munden; C. S. Bell; N. B. Brothers; M. G. Morrisette; T. B. Jordan; W. A. Chappell; J. E. Greenleaf; William Lowry; W. C. Overman; H. W. Dalley; Casson Morrisette; W. C. Barnes; G. N. Winslow; E. F. Aydtlett Jr.; R. T. Van Der; J. C. Modlin; Geo W. White; Elizabeth City; W. J. Skiles; J. H. T. White; S. W. Beasley; M. W. Scott.

## NO FIREWORKS YEAR SAYS JAS. R. YOUNG

Raleigh, N. C., May 2.—Insurance Commissioner, James R Young, today issued the first call of the season in warning against the use of fireworks on July 4. In the statement the commissioner says:

"There are not a great many places in the state where the use of fireworks on the fourth of July is carried to any great extent, yet we always manage to get a few reports of fires around that time as a result of the careless use of fireworks. In this kind of year when every effort looks to conservation and preparedness it seems to me that the people of North Carolina ought to refrain entirely from the use of fireworks. The kind of patriotism North Carolina and America needs this year is not the kind that burns useless money and endangers property and especially property where food stuffs may be stored. The patriotism that will count now is the kind that makes for self denial and the conservation of every energy. It is the kind that looks to the bending of every effort which lends support to the government in the war of unknown extent upon which it has entered.

"I hope that every city official in North Carolina will see to it that no fireworks are sold or used for the celebration of the Fourth of July. And the sure way to do this is to pass ordinances forbidding their sale. It is a time now when every precaution should be observed to prevent fires. And the handling of fireworks, however careful may be the operator, is hazardous to life and property."

## CHURCH FLAG FLYS ABOVE

### ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH TAKES INITIATIVE IN FLAG-RAISING CEREMONY IN SOUTHERN CITY TODAY

(By United Press)  
Savannah, Ga., May 2.—To betoken the recognition of the Almighty Power above the Stars and Stripes, and thereby to add dignity to the national emblem, the church flag was hoisted above the American flag at the flag raising today at St. Paul's Episcopal church in this city.

So far as is known, St. Paul's is the first church in the land to make this distinction.

## NO PRAYER SERVICES TONIGHT

There will be no prayer services at the various churches tonight, on account of the singing class concert at the Alkrama. All of the city's churches either changed the date of these services or else suspended them entirely for this week.

## RESERVE OFFICERS CALLED TO COLORS TODAY

(By United Press)  
Washington, May 2.—Starting today, reserve officers of the army report United States army at fourteen training camps throughout the country preparatory to training candidates for commissions and to train later the vast army of soldiers the government plans to raise. All reserve officers are required to report to their camps by May 8.

## MILITARY CENSUS IN NEW YORK TODAY

(By United Press)  
Albany, N. Y., May 2.—Eighty-seven questions will be asked of New York residents between the ages of 16 and 64 in the military census which starts today.

The questions will include listing of ownership of automobiles, launches, motorcycles, cattle and other stock, firearms and will collect a vast amount of data for industrial mobilization. Thousands of women have volunteered their services for the clerical work of the census.

Full information concerning the Government War Loan can be obtained at The First National Bank which will handle individual purchases which will handle individual purchases.

## MORE SURVIVORS ARE NOW LANDED

### SECOND BOATLOAD OFFICIALLY REPORTED SAVED, INCLUDING CAPTAIN HARRIS, BUT LIEUTENANT THOMAS OF GUN CREW IS LOST

(By United Press)  
London, May 2.—A second boatload of survivors of the American armed steamer Vacuum is officially reported saved today. The additional survivors include Captain Harris, Third Mate Husted, the boatswain and four American gunners. They landed on an island where there were no wire communications and were therefore unable to make a report.

## ARGENTINE MAY BREAK RELATIONS

(By United Press)  
Buenos Aires, May 2.—Germany's explanation of the torpedoing of the Argentine steamer Monte Protegido is unsatisfactory to Argentine, according to official information. It is believed that a break between Argentine and Germany is certain.

## GENERAL OBREGON RESIGNS OFFICE

(By United Press)  
Mexico City, May 2.—General Obregon resigned today as Minister of War after Caranza had been sworn in as President. His action was unexpected. He pleaded ill health.

## ARMIES LOCKED ON BRITISH FRONT

(By United Press)  
London, May 2.—Another night of inaction so far as large movements are concerned is reported on the British front. This halt in major operations has extended through three days. Meanwhile the two armies continued locked along the Scarpe.

## PURPOSE WAS TO CRUSH BRITAIN

(By United Press)  
New York, May 2.—Captain Franz Von Rintelen of the German Navy came to America for the purpose of promoting friendly relations between the United States and Germany and to bring the two nations to a mutual understanding which would involve the crushing of Great Britain's maritime supremacy, according to the testimony of John Hammond, prosecuting witness today.

## ENGLAND'S DEBT MANY BILLIONS

(By United Press)  
London, May 2.—England's present national debt is approximately eighteen and a half billions, the Chancellor of the Exchequer announced today.

## Must Co-Operate As Never Before

(By United Press)  
Washington, May 2.—The State governments and the Federal governments must work in the closest co-operation known in the nation's history if the United States is to be successful in war, Secretary Baker told the representatives of the States in the Council for Defense, today. He did not emphasize military co-operation, but hinted that this matter is unsettled and subject to change. He urged that the first conscription and registration day throughout the country be made a "great national demonstration of patriotism and firmness of purpose."

## WEATHER

Fair tonight and Thursday, gentle to moderate north and northeast winds.