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CANADA'S PART NOT YET PLAYED

FIFTY THOUSAND CANADIAN RECRUITS GET READY FOR ACTIVE SERVICE BY ARDUOUS MILITARY DRILL WHICH APPROXIMATES AS CLOSELY AS POSSIBLE ACTUAL WARFARE

(By HENRY WOOD)

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

With the French Armies, May 14.—The service of Agriculture is now one of the regular branches of the French Army.

It is just as much an integral part of the French military machine as a whole as is the infantry, the cavalry, the artillery, the engineers or the aviation.

Military agriculture is one of the latest developments of modern warfare along with such things as gas masks, the rehearsing of battles before they are fought and aerial torpedoes. While the present great European conflict has demonstrated that war must ever be destructive, and possibly more destructive than ever before, yet the constructive conservative basis on which the French seek to conduct it has developed numerous possibilities for lessening and repairing the destructiveness.

In a general way the object of this Service of Agriculture is to keep the farming in the entire war zone and especially in the immediate vicinity of the front lines up to its normal and maximum productiveness. It is now as much the duty of every soldier in the French army to help in these agricultural labors as it is to fight, while the army as a whole contributes not only the farm laborers but also the horses and even part of the implements necessary.

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[illegible] Secondly, [illegible] population has been [illegible] the entire land and where the farms are completely abandoned, the army must take over all this ground and cultivate it itself in precisely the same manner as though the armies themselves were still there. Thirdly, as fast as French soil is won back from the Germans the Agricultural Service must undertake the restoring of this ground to a state of fertility and the planting of it to crops at the earliest possible moment.

Every general commanding on the French front is required to divide his portion of the war zone [illegible] each one comprising [illegible] farms in communities located [illegible] to the general offices there are [illegible] for the administration of the agricultural [illegible] who is chosen because of his [illegible] and remain [illegible] of the agricultural work there [illegible] where his retirement may be [illegible] afterwards.

In the meantime the prefect of each department in the war zone is required to make out a list of all agricultural work that needs to be done, together with the degree of urgency and place it at the disposition of the military officer in charge of each sector. The prefect must also provide the tools and the grain and seed for sowing.

Entirely regardless of whether the troops stationed in a given sector are there for repose or whether they are there for fighting, they must perform the agricultural labor that is waiting to be done. Likewise when troops are on the march, if the step in any sector, even for only two or three days they must participate in farm labor under way.

When the troops move on they leave a report with the permanent military-agricultural officer in charge showing just what they have done so that when the next troops come along they can take up the work where the others left off.

One and only one iron clad rule has been adopted by the military authorities and that is that under no circumstances whatever must a military troop, whatever its size may be, passing through a given sector where there is agricultural work to be done leave that sector without the work being further advanced than when it came in.

The Army must furnish horses either from the cavalry, the artillery or the supply train whenever horses are needed. The mechanics attached to the army are also required to assist the farmers in the shoeing of their horses and in the repairing of their agricultural implements.

Not the least interesting phase of this service is that it has been incorporated into the English and Belgian armies now fighting on French soil in precisely the same manner. English Tommies back of the Somme are now cultivating French fields with precisely the same ardor as they are fighting the "Boches" a few miles farther in advance. At the few points where Belgian contingents are stationed on French soil the same system is in progress and as a consequence there is no place in all France today where more men are being employed in agricultural pursuits than in that precise strip of territory within both the roar and the range of the big guns that extends from the Belgian coast to the Swiss frontier.

HOLWEG TO ANNOUNCE PEACE TERMS TUESDAY

(By United Press)

London, May 14.—Von Bethman Holweg, German imperial chancellor, will announce peace terms in the Reichstag Tuesday, according to a report reaching here today from Amsterdam.

From Copenhagen comes the news that the struggle between the supporters and the opponents of the German Chancellor is reaching a critical stage. It seems likely that there will be a showdown at the meeting of the Reichstag Tuesday.

Meantime, while Count Bernstorff has accepted the appointment of ambasador to Sweden the official announcement of the appointment is mysteriously withheld. This failure to announce the appointment is taken as fitting in with the persistent reports that Bernstorc is being groomed to succeed Foreign Secretary Zimmer man.

Other information from Germany received via Holland indicated that Hollweg will only outline the general military and political situation but will not cover Germany's peace plans.

It is reported that Hindenburg strenuously objected to the reforms proposed by the Constitutional Committee of Reichstag control of the army and urged that the Reichstag sitting be terminated which would mean the automatic death of that committee.

Hollweg, it is reported announced that he would resign if such a trick was perpetrated on the Liberals, insisting that they could not then be held in check. Hollweg won out with the Kaiser over Hindenburg.

Tonight's Show At Alkrama

"Playing with Fire" featuring [illegible] in the medium of [illegible] "Playing with Fire" lives up to its [illegible] better [illegible] Clara Muse [illegible] could have been secured to [illegible] the Lyceum role. It is a story bursting with realism, and at the same time filled with romance and beauty.

The fourteenth chapter of "The Great Secret" will be the serial part of the great show. This story featuring Bushman and Bayne is drawing very near the closing chapters.

Tuesday matinee and night will be shown Jack Pickford in 'the Dummy' the exhibitors Review has to say of this picture: The Dummy affords a light entertainment with a well established stage or mirth, and is presented in a way that places it firmly in the ranks of Paramount productions.

The story brims over with [illegible] situations which at times become so laughable as to [illegible] the most [illegible] smile with pleasure.

Also Mrs. Vernon Castle in "Patria."

Alice Joyce in "Womanhood The Glory of The Nation" will soon be seen in this city at The Alkrama. This is the same big picture that is being shown at the Colonial in Norfolk all this week.

This is another proof that Elizabeth City has the very best that money can buy, in amusements as well as other things.

ONLY TWO POSTS ARE NOW HELD

GERMANS CLING TENACIOUSLY TO THESE TWO POINTS TO SOUTH AND NORTH OF BULLECOURT

(By WILLIAM PHILIP SIMMS)

(United Press Staff Correspondent.)

With the British Armies Afield, May 14.—Only two posts remain in German hands in the village of Bullecourt at the time this is written.

The liveliest sort of fighting which continued all through last night is still in progress in and around the village.

The two posts to which the Germans still cling so tenaciously are to the north and south of the town. Around these they are swaying and fighting and centering their forces.

At Rouex the Tommies strengthened their hold during the night.

The Germans have lost 200,000 men killed, wounded and captured from April 16th to May 1st on the French front and the losses during the last two weeks are estimated as even greater. These figures are from headquarters at Paris and are conservative.

RUSHED FROM RUSSIAN FRONT

GERMANY HURRIES APPROXIMATELY SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND MEN TO FRANCE TO OPPOSE FRANCO-BRITISH OFFENSIVE

(By United Press)

Petrograd, May 14.—Germany has withdrawn [illegible] six hundred thousand men [illegible] the Russian front and hurried them to France to oppose the Franco-British offensive according to information from Russian headquarters featured in Petrograd newspapers today.

HOME ECONOMICS TAUGHT AT RALEIGH

West Raleigh, N. C., May 14.—[illegible] in home economics being offered by the summer schools of North Carolina State College of Agriculture and Engineering is attracting attention and inquiry. This is a subject which is receiving a great deal of discussion and study at the present, a department for food conservation and Director W. A. Withers is probably fortunate in securing the services of an unusually [illegible] teacher for this department in the course.

Mrs. Kate Brew Vaughn, the noted lecturer and author, who is well known in this State for her previous lectures, will in herself make the course a strong one. Another valuable asset to this popular course is Miss Beulah Clarke Hatch of Simmons College, Boston, Mass., who will have a teaching course. Mrs. Jane S. McKimmon, whose work as State Home Demonstration Agent has been of inestimable influence in the rural development of North Carolina, has also been secured to teach this subject and will give a course in home food conservation. Household Chemistry will be taught by Dr. J. K. Plummer, of the chemistry staff of the North Carolina Agricultural Experiment Station. With this staff nothing but the most thorough course could be expected.

The Summer School of the State College of Agriculture and Engineering also offers under equally as strong teachers: Agriculture, drawing and manual training, economics and sociology, education, english, geography and geology, history, language, mathematics, music, physiology and hygiene, school law, science and writing.

GERMAN ZEPPELIN DESTROYED AT SEA

(By United Press.)

London, May 14. — The German Zeppelin L-22 was destroyed by the British naval forces in the North Sea this morning.

ARMY NEARNG WAR STRENGTH

MORE THAN SIXTY-FIVE THOUSAND RECRUITS SINCE APRIL 1. PREPARATIONS FOR TRAINING ARE BEING MADE

(By United Press)

Wasington, May 14.— The President today authorized four additional increments for the regular army, approximating 183,000 men.

In most cases one regiment of already trained regulars will be used as the basis of formation with two regiments of recruits. The odds are that the regular army is about filled with its full war quota of three hundred thousand men. Nearly sixty-five thousand have recruited since the first of April.

The Quartermaster General has been ordered to rpepare sherter at points designated for recruits. Among the points named are Fort Myers and Chicamauga Park.

DISTORTS AMERICA IN RUSSIA'S EYES

(By United Press)

Petrograd, May 14.—Germany's propogandists are now seeking to distort America's position in the eyes of the new Russia.

Patent falsehoods in regard to America's position are printed daily in the Russian newspapers.

Today all Petrograd newspapers featured a "report from Paris" that Washington is "censoring all press reports from Stockholm relating to the June Socialist Peace Meeting."

RUSSIAN WAR MINISTER TENDERS RESIGNATION

(By United Press)

[illegible] May 14.—W. Gen. [illegible] of Moscow, [illegible] of War, accepted by the [illegible] has tendered his resignation [illegible] the cabinet. A Reuter dispatch from Copenhagen received today [illegible]

JELLICOE IS APPOINTED CHIEF

(By United Press)

London, May 14.—Admiral Jellicoe was appointed chief of the British Naval Staff today.

His appointment was due to the demand for greater action against the submarines. He also retains his command as Grand Admiral.

COTTON REPORT FOR APRIL 1917

(By United Press)

Washington, May 14.—American cotton consumed in April 1917 exceeded by 20,000 bales the amount consumed in April 1916, according to the census bureau report today. The total consumed, 546,000 bales, compared with 552,303 in April 1917.

RETURNS FROM TOUR OF CITIES OF MIDDLE WEST

Mr. J. H. Aydlett, President of the Produce Trading Company, has returned from a tour of the cities of the Middle West in the interest of his Company. Mr. Aydlett reports a very pleasant and successful trip.

VIRGIL WALKER DEAD

J. B. Ferebee was called to New Bern this afternoon by the following telegram announcing the death of Virgil Walker of the Virginia Carolina Navigation Company:

"Virgil Walker of New Bern died yesterday. Suggest that you go immediately. Arrange for suitable floral offering in name of company. I will arrive at New Bern early tomorrow morning and meet you at the Gaston Hotel." J. P. Garling.

Mr Walker was the representative at New Bern of the Virginia Carolina Transportation Company.

KNIGHTS TEMPLARS MEET.

Griggs Commandery No. 14, will meet Monday evening in their hall in the Robinson building. All Sir Knights are requested to be present.

EPWORTH LEAGUE TO HOLD CONFERENCE

The tenth annual session of the North Carolina Conference of The Epworth League will meet in the City Road Methodist Church, this city, June 7-11.

About two hundred delegates are expected and a number of prominent speakers are to be on the program. Services during this conference will be held daily at 6:30, 9:00 and 11:00 o'clock in the morning, and at 8:00 o'clock in the evening.

The public are cordially invited to attend all these services.

COMMENCEMENT AT KNOTT'S ISLAND SCHOOL

Knotts Island May 4.—The Knotts Island Graded school Commencement was held Thursday with the enactment of a very successful program.

At eleven o'clock the pupils formed in line on the campus and give the school yell. Then all sang America as the flag was slowly hoisted. The line of pupils then filed into the auditorium where again all joined in singing Ho far Carolina. While the school remained standing Emmet White stepped forward and delivered the address of welcome. The school song followed. Then came the recitation contest, the school history by Olla Lithchfield, and the declamation contest. This concluded the exercises for the morning.

Exercises after lunch began with singing Old North State which was followed by a [illegible] on the question, Resolved that woman suffrage should be granted in all the states. This afternoon exercises closed with a song, Uncle Sam, by the seventh grade pupils and with the [illegible] by the little girl [illegible] who [illegible] one of the [illegible] Pass to the [illegible] and the elements of [illegible] Pass State [illegible] Pass [illegible] there was [illegible] by Miss Litchfield and Litchfield, and Misses [illegible] and Wade.

A Hoop Drill by twenty little girls and a song "Little Pig" by the primary grades preceded the reading of the class will by Frances Ansell. A dialect face pantomime, a Scarf Drill and tableau and a tele. Abide With Me by Misses White, Simpson and Ansell prepared the way for the Commencement Address by Rev. Rowland of Norfolk.

After a song "Good bye" to the school [illegible] were awarded by Rev. Holloway. [illegible] Ethridge was awarded the prize in the contest. Emmet Romney was awarded twelve cents in Tom Wheeler and Olla Litchfield was given nickels in the spelling contest. Diplomas were then delivered to each of the graduating class by the principal, and the school closed with a song by the Misses Litchfield and a short talk by Mr. Morgan in behalf of the school.

Rev. Rowland's address was very instructive, interesting and witty, and a rare treat to the audience of Knotts Island and was enjoyed and highly appreciated by all.

This ended a seven months term for Knotts Island and the teachers, Misses Rector, Whichard and Teague will leave Monday for their respective homes Asheville, Roper and Greensboro.

COOPERATES WITH MAYOR SAWYER

Since the Mayor's proclamation cautioning all citizens against the waste of food and advising them that the utmost economy be exercised in the consumption of all foodstuffs The Gas Company has decided to run the free lectures and cooking demonstrations through this week, giving the housekeeper an opportunity to learn how to economically prepare and cook food. These lectures are to be held in the Y. M. C. A. Monday, Thursday and Friday afternoons from 3:30 to 5:30. A special program has been arranged.

WEATHER

Fair tonight and Tuesday, little change in temperature. Moderate northwest to north winds.

PASQUOTANK'S PEA CROP MOVING

FIRST SHIPMENT WENT FORWARD LAST MONDAY, SEASON IS ON IN FULL BLAST THIS WEEK

The season for shipping May peas is on in full blast here this week, and in spite of continued cool weather this movement of trucking crops lends an air of real May time to town and country life in this section.

Thirty-six baskets of May Peas made up one shipment by Spence and Hollowell today from Mr. Wiley Gregory. On May 10th this firm shipped their first peas. These were grown by Mr. W. K. Parsons of Nixonton.

R. C. Abbott made the first shipment of the season, just a week ago today. These were grown by S. Waters and Co., and brought $2.50 a basket. Mr Abbott has made a number of shipments since last Monday and expects to make a great many this week. The Newbern Produce Company began shipping peas today also.

This is one of the earliest trucking crops of the section, and one that always attracts visitors who have lived in other sections where May peas are not grown at all or are grown only for home use. Clean and tender and fresh in their bright green pods, May Peas lack the dirt and rot and the overabundance that sometimes accompany the potato shipping season. On the other hand, they are not so perishable as the strawberry or so "smelly" under adverse circumstances May Peas are among the most tempting of fresh vegetables, too, because they are difficult and troublesome for the amateur to can, and while this fact has it drawbacks at a time when everybody is urged to produce and conserve the food supply, still it adds to the delight of the jaded appetite of those who partake of the real May Peas,—"grown in Pasquotank."

TO ALL DEMOCRATIC VOTERS IN ELIZABETH CITY

Every Democratic Voter in Elizabeth City is hereby notified that your City Executive Committee has been informed that the Republican Party is putting out a Ticket in each Ward. It is therefore important and your Executive Committee urge that all true Democrats go out and vote in the coming election to be held Tuesday, May 15th, 1917.

Respectfully requested,

S. L. SMALL,

Chairman Elizabeth City Democratic Executive Committee.

HOUSE PETERS AT NEW THEATRE TONIGHT

Throughout the world there are thousands of engineers sitting at the throttles of locomotives. Men, who in the face of duty know no fear. On their nerve, their judgment and their sense of responsibility, we rely as on no other class of men. The man in the engine cab is a praiseworthy citizen of whom everyone is proud.

House Peters as Jim Lewis, who plays the star part in this great railroad story "The Rail Rider," proves that the man at the throttle is the man of the hour, when he comes face to face with a crisis.

"It is a tremendous story," says Manager Lewis, "full of love and excitement that thrills, but does not disgust.

"Somewhere in this picture you will find a heart throb that means something to your own life—it may prove the turning point for you.

"Zena Keefe, whose wonderful smile has won for her the admiration of all film fans, plays the part of the railroad president's daughter— the heroine—she is the kind of a girl you will never want to forget."

WHEAT FUTURES ARE BARRED

(By United Press)

Chicago, May 14.—All trading in wheat futures was barred for two days by the Chicago Board of Trade today. Existing contracts however may be liquidated at Saturday's closing price.

Trading in May corn and oats was also barred.