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MARINES WILL GO WITH PERSHING

TO ACTUALLY FIGHT IN THE TRENCHES AND BECAUSE OF SENTIMENT THAT MARINES ARE "FIRST TO FIGHT"

Washington, May 19.—"The finest body of troops in the world," that was what a foreign military observer exclaimed as General Pershing's veterans swung across the border four months ago. And these are the men who will make up Pershing's twenty five thousand expeditionary force to France. They will leave for the European war front at the earliest practicable date.

A regiment of marines, about two thousand and six hundred men, under the command of Col. Charles Doyden of Washington barracks will accompany the first army expedition to France.

This regiment is composed principally of organizations which have recently seen active service in Haiti, San Domingo, and Cuba, the Navy Department said today. They will be armed, equipped and organized similarly to the army with which they will serve. Col. Doyden will be under the command of General Pershing. The marines with him will serve as soldiers in the trenches of France. The regiment is sent principally to relieve the army from a too extensive depletion of its ranks, and also for sentimental reason that the marines are always "the first to fight."

Reports to the War Department today showed that two of the nine regiments of Engineers for French service have been raised and that in the Pittsburgh district more men applied than could be accepted. Recruiting elsewhere is going on satisfactorily it is said.

GOVERNMENT WOULD SAVE SWEET POTATOES

(By United Press)
Washington, May 19.—Urging increased reduction of sweet potatoes, the Department of Agriculture today is offering farmers plans for new methods of storing them. Tests of the new bins showed an average decay of 2.45 percent where nearly thirty percent are lost under present methods.

SPAIN DEMANDS SATISFACTION

Madrid May 19.—Immediate satisfaction for sinking the Spanish steamer, Patrio, and guarantee of future exemption of Spanish shipping from submarines,—these were the demands of the note sent Berlin today by the Spanish government.

NEW WAR MINISTER URGES LOYALTY

Petrograd May 19.—The issuance of a powerful appeal to the army and navy to stand firm against the enemy was the first official act of the new minister of war and marine, Kenensky.

BRITISH CABINET APPROVES HOOVER

London May 19.—The plans for Herbert Hoover to become international food director have the approval of the British Cabinet, Lord Davenport, British food controller, asserted today.

PRESBYTERIANS HAVE CHURCH BUILDING YEAR

(By United Press)
Dallas, Tex., May 19.—More than a half million dollars has been spent in the last year by the Presbyterian Board of Church Erection in aiding in the construction of 202 new churches and 94 manses, the board reported to the annual meeting of the Presbyterian General Assembly today. The report declared the year the best in the board's history. Records for the year ending March 31 exceeded those of the previous year by more than 100,000.

MAGNATES UNTOUCHED BY WAR TAX BILL

By H. C. HAMILTON
(United Press Staff Correspondent)
New York, May 19.—When June 1 reaches the baseball season the uncomplaining fan will begin to dig into his jeans for an extra two or three five cents when ever he passes the turnstiles at a base ball park. That's the way the base ball magnates are going to pay their war tax. The efforts of Gov. John K. Tener, president of the National League, and of Ban Johnson, president of the American League, saved the magnates the trouble of handing out a percentage of their gross receipts. Gov. Tener's clear knowledge of the problem and his influence undoubtedly saved what probably would have been a bad day for base ball. Baseball is a little different from most businesses. A base ball club has to win a lot of base ball games to enjoy a really profitable season. Usually six clubs in an eight-club wheel are far enough down in the race to be losing ventures or be able only to struggle through with an even break. One club in almost any league is almost certain to have a losing season, and the rule generally works for two or three clubs. Base ball doesn't make fortunes for its backers. In its history there cannot be found one man who made a huge fortune directly from the game. There are several relatively wealthy men in the game, and some of them have made a great deal of the money in base ball has accumulated from base ball, but usually the rich man in base ball has accumulated dollars in some other venture. The tax will be levied by means of stamps, placed on the ticket by the fan. This is the plan that is working in Canada.

JAMES J. HILL PLAN PROFITABLE IN BRAZIL

Rio De Janeiro, May 19.—Following an idea very similar to that adopted by the James J. Hill in his "empire building," the Brazil Railway Company has established a number of "nucleus colonies" along its right of way through uninhabited sections of Brazil's interior. The colonists who settle in these towns are assisted by these towns are assisted by both the railroad company and the government until they become self supporting. Thirteen colonies consisting of 641 families, a total of 1,539 persons, have been established in the last year, and have proved that pioneering in Brazil is a prosperous agusiness.

NAVY INCREASE BILL PASSED

WASHINGTON, May 19.—The House today approved the Conference report on the bill increasing the Navy from 87,000 to 150,000 men and the marines from 17,400 men to 30,000. The bill also increases the salary so that the enlisted men will receive about thirty dollars a month, the same that is to be paid conscripted men.

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THE SENATE HAS ALSO ADOPTED THE CONFERENCE REPORT AND THE BILL HAS GONE TO THE PRESIDENT FOR HIS SIGNATURE.

BRITISH MISSION AT CONFEDERATE CAPITAL

Richmond, May 19.—Balfour and the other members of the British Mission visited the Confederate capital today.

Southern hospitality outdid itself in the entertainment of the distinguished guests. Cheers from thousands of throats were added to the military salute of nineteen guns fired in honor of visitors.

THE WEATHER

Fair tonight and Sunday moderate southwest to south winds.

ELECT DIRECTORS FOR NEXT YEAR

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEMBERS HEAR REPORT OF BUSINESS MANAGER AND CHOOSE LEADERS FOR NEW YEAR

The members of the Elizabeth City Chamber of Commerce met Friday night in the Y M C A and after hearing the report of their business manager elected directors for the ensuing year.

The newly elected directors are as follows: W G Gaither, H G Kramer, M Leigh Sheep, J T McCabe, J. P. Greenleaf, O F Gilbert, S H Johnson, J C Sawyer, T Delos Cary, George A Twiddy, and C W Melick.

The election of directors followed the reading of the Business Manager's annual report which reviewed the achievements of the past twelve months and enumerated the undertakings which are now being pressed forward. Among the latter special emphasis was placed on the project of building a road across the Dismal Swamp, connecting the Tadmore section of Pasquotank with Gates county.

An unusual and interesting feature of the meeting was a concert by the J H Zeigler Band, immediately preceding the formal session. The band played in front of the Y M C A until eight o'clock, and then preceded the members into the hall where the remainder of the program was rendered. This concert was in graceful recognition, on the part of the band, of the fact that it was due to Business Manager Pugh's initiative and under his leadership that the band was organized.

The meeting was called to order by President Gaither as the band filed out. In stating the object of the meeting Mr. Gaither referred to the organization of the Chamber of Commerce a year ago and stated that he believed that already the chamber had justified its organization.

The story of achievement and effort, told of in the report of Business Manager Pugh justified, in the eyes of the members, Mr. Gaither's statement. The Good Will Day celebration on the Fourth of last July; the first observance in Elizabeth City of National Pay up Week; the fostering of the Business Men's Credit Association, the enlistment of the women of the city in a system of home gardening unexampled heretofore in this section; the effort to establish a packing plant here,—so far unsuccessful but not yet abandoned; a movement for a municipal playground in which the interest of the Norfolk Southern railroad has already been enlisted, and the co-operation of the chamber with the effort to effect a permanent Fair Association—these are some of the matters touched upon in the report.

THE GATES COUNTY ROAD

The section of the report referring to the promotion of a plan to build a road across the Dismal Swamp connecting Newland township and Gates county set out that the Chamber prepared two bills providing for a referendum to the people of the two townships to be most directly benefited of a bond issue for the maintenance of the proposed road. Both bills were defeated, but Senator E R Johnson, in co-operation with Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt and Colonel Cameron, chairman of the Committee on roads and turn pikes, had incorporated in the General Road Bill, afterwards enacted into law, provisions amply covering the proposed plans for the construction of the Dismal Swamp road.

WHERE BETSEY LAGS

The report called attention to the fact Elizabeth City, during the year just past, provided revenue to the amount of only \$1,700.00 for its Chamber of Commerce, as compared with New Bern's \$6,000.00, Wilson's \$2,800.00, Charlotte's \$15,000.00 and Asheville's \$20,000.00. Elizabeth City, Mr. Pugh stated, would have to raise revenue to the amount of \$6,000.00 to put its Chamber of Commerce in the first class among the commercial organizations of the state.

NOMINATIONS BY COMMITTEE

After the reading of the Business Manager's report Mr. Gaither, on motion of J P Greenleaf, appointed the following committee to make nominations to the Board of Directors for the ensuing year. F G Jacobs, H C Newbold and Herbert Poole. The re-

NEW GOVERNMENT FOR NEW PLEDGES

NEW COALITION CABINET WILL INSIST ON REVISION OF ALL EXISTING TREATIES PLEDGING NATION WITH ITS ALLIES

(By WILLIAM SHEPPARD)
Petrograd, May 19.—Russia's new coalition Government will insist on a revision of all existing treaties pledging the nation with its allies and demand fully publicity in the statement of its peace terms and war aims.

To-night At New Theatre

"The Romantic Journey" is tonight's attraction at the New Theatre.

Saturday Charlie Chaplin will be at the New Theatre again in "The Night Owl" in two reels presenting the \$670,000 dollar Gloom chaser of millions. Charlie Chaplin the original laugh producer of the Universe. He will be seen on the street in some of his original stunts. Watch for him. In addition to the Chaplin picture "The Romance Journey" will be shown a Pathe feature in five parts. No doubt the people of Elizabeth City have read this wonderful story and now have the opportunity of seeing it on the screen.

Tonight's Show At Alkrama

"Sins of Her Parents" will be shown at the Alkrama tonight. Gladys Brockwell fascinated all who saw her this afternoon in "Sins of Her Parents"

The picture is one of the few big pictures that lives up to its advertising. William Fox never achieved a greater triumph than when he gave this play to the public. The last chance of seeing it is tonight.

Monday at the Alkrama Metro Pictures Company presents the lovely Beverly Bayne in "A Million a Minute." "The Great Secret" is also on the program and is getting very near the end and so more exciting with every chapter.

"Pavlov, at the Alkrama Wednesday Matinee and night is the most wonderful show ever offered to any one for five and ten cents. This picture is in nine reels and so startling, unique and thrilling are the scenes that the times flies like magic. Nothing before has ever been attempted. It is the supreme achievement of the silent drama and defies description."

Part of the committee was adopted without amendment.

N. C. MILITIA WILL TRAIN FOR SERVICE

(By United Press)
Washington, May 19.—The distribution of the National Guard announced by the War Department assigns troops of the twelve middle Western and Northern states to the Southern Department in camps along the border. Those of the New England and Atlantic states will train for service in the European war in the Southeastern Department.

AUSTRIANS LOSE TWELVE THOUSAND

Rome, May 19.—Austrian casualties today in the Italian offensive are estimated at twelve thousand, dead, wounded and missing.

JUNE FIFTH IS REGISTRATION DAY

(By United Press)
Washington, May 19.—President Wilson calls upon all men in the United States between the ages of 21 and 30 to register on June fifth. From these will be selected the first 500,000 soldiers of the new army.

JEWISH DREAM MAY COME TRUE

ISRAEL ZANGWILL, HEBREW PATRIOT SUGGESTS JEWISH REPUBLIC IN PALESTINE UNDER PROTECTORATE OF UNITED STATES

(By LOWELL MELLETT)
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)
London, April 25. (By Mail)—The Republic of Judea or the Republic of Israel, a home-ruled nation under the protectorate of the United States of America! Site: the land of their fathers, Palestine; capital, Jerusalem.

The world war in the view of many seems about to bring true the dream that has persisted through the centuries that the Jew has wandered the earth. He is about to have his own home back again to live there or visit in security. That this security should be maintained by America is the idea of Israel Zangwill.

"Such a protectorate," he said, would be expected, of course, to endure only so long as was necessary to see the Jewish nation firmly established among the nations of the earth."

This statement to the United Press by the great leader of Jewish opinion is significant for its indication of a meeting point between the efforts he has led and the efforts of the Zionists of whom Louis D Brandeis has been the most prominent in America. The Zionists have made Palestine their sole objective. Zangwill's organization has urged that it is more important that the Jews should colonize somewhere at the earliest possible time than that they should return to their own ancient land. Admitting the strength of the tie that bonds them to Palestine, he has urged that if this is not feasible they should settle elsewhere. He has in the past sought the British Government's aid for a proposed settlement in South Africa, Canada or Australia.

Now he agrees, Palestine itself seems within reach.

The eyes of thirteen million Jews, scattered throughout the world, are on General Murray's army now seeking to drive the Turks out of the country that the Jews once had. From this thirteen million, perhaps, should be excluded the six hundred thousand Jews who are fighting in the various armies; they, by fate's irony, will be last to know that the war may mean something for their race.

There is a strong belief in England that restoration of Palestine to the Jews would be a profitable political undertaking for the British.

"It is not expected," said Mr. Zangwill, "that all the Jews of the world would flock there to make their homes. It is my belief that the Jewish agriculturists who find living difficult elsewhere should be aided to return and that they should form the basis of the new nation. Jerusalem's location might make the site for a great commercial or trading city, but the important thing is not to draw

MUCH ENJOYED WAS THE BANQUET

ONE OF THE MOST ELABORATE EVER ATTEMPTED AND ALTOGETHER THE BEST "POP" BENNETT EVER SERVED

The banquet served at the Southern Hotel Friday night celebrating the first anniversary of the Chamber of Commerce was one of the most elaborate ever attempted here and it has been pronounced as the best that Mr C T Bennett, the genial host at the Southern Hotel, has ever served. And that's certainly going some, for Frank Dixon, who has spoken all over the country, said when he was last in Elizabeth City that Mr. Bennett's hotel was the best he had found in the South.

The feast of good things to eat was matched by a feast of fellowship and wit and spirited intercourse. The toastmaster did not begin calling for responses until a rather late hour; but this gave but the more time for the free and easy discussions and interchange of opinion and anecdote that made each group around one of the tables jolly and animated circles.

MAY BUILD SHIPBUILDING PLANT

Quite the most startling idea that popped out at the banquet was the possibility that in the not too distant future Elizabeth City may have a \$100,000.00 shipbuilding plant. Charles W. Harrison, president of the Virginia Carolina Transportation Company, in responding to the toast, "Our Transportation Facilities," said that he would establish such a plant here if Elizabeth City would contribute fifty per cent of the capital stock.

"I am convinced," said Mr. Harrison, "that what needs to be emphasized in this section is the idea that we must build boats to fit the rivers instead of building rivers to fit the boats. I am sure that by the construction of boats that are suitable to the waters of these eastern coasts you will do much more to build up the water transportation facilities of your section than you can ever accomplish by going to Congress for appropriations to deepen your waterways."

"I am prepared without asking any help from Elizabeth City to put on a line of boats of the character I have in mind plying between New Bern and Baltimore and stopping at Elizabeth City, Newport News and other intermediate points. I expect the first boat to leave New Bern on Monday, September 3rd and to arrive at Elizabeth City on Tuesday, September 4th. The second boat will leave New Bern on the following Thursday, arriving at Elizabeth City on Friday. We will start with this semi-weekly service and will put on other boats just as soon as the traffic demands it."

"It is my idea," continued Mr. Harrison, "that eventually other water transportation lines should be established until Elizabeth City is connected up with points on the Roanoke river and other points tributary to the Albemarle sound, as well as points on the sound."

"In this connection I will say also that I look toward the establishment of a plant here to pack vegetables. This is a matter that would have been undertaken this year but for the fact that it is practically impossible to secure cans."

OTHER SPEAKERS HEARD

Other speakers heard were: W G Gaither, Jr., who responded to the toast "At Random," J R Pratt, to the toast "The Newspaper and Community Betterment"; Dr. John Saliba, to the toast "Physical Performances"; Rev. J L Cunningham, to the toast "Am I my Brother's Keeper?" District Agent G M Shea of the Norfolk Southern, to the toast, "An Optimist"; and C R Pugh, to the toast, "Our Growing Fraternalism." Mr. E F Aydlett was on the program for the response to the last toast, but he was out of the city.

Mr. Gaither's toast might have been "The Chamber of Commerce—its Purpose." He spoke of the organization of the Chamber a year ago and referred to the late Horace Smith who played such an important role at the new organization's first banquet. He said that from that beginning the Chamber of Commerce had gone forward with the constant aim not solely of building up Elizabeth City but of promoting the development of the entire section.