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MACHINERY FOR DRAFT COMPLETE

Parades, Speeches and Pageants Order of Day in Big Cities and Thousands of Girls Will Pin Armlets On Nation's Youth

Washington, June 2.—The machinery of Government is ready for the holiday next Tuesday, June 5th, when the youth of the nation will register for war.

Nation-wide reports to the United Press show that so prompt and hearty has been America's answer to the President's first call to the colors and the draft that if registration began today instead of three days from now the work would go through without a serious hitch.

The Government seems to have crushed the organized opposition to the draft by arrests in several of the cities of the country. The great majority of the reports from all parts of the country refer to enthusiastic plans for prompt and successful registration on the appointed day. Plans are complete to squelch incipient riots and to hold a tight rein on anti-draft socialists and slackers of all kinds.

Many Governors have proclaimed a holiday for the event. Thousands of great industries have given their men the full day off at regular pay. Parades, speeches and pageants will fill the land with the spirit of the celebration and thousands of girls will pin honor badges and "registered" armlets on youths at the registration booths.

Saloons in practically all the cities have been closed; by executive order in some instances and from motives of patriotism in others.

ENGINEERS ARE ORDERED IN SERVICE

(By United Press) Washington, June 2.—The War Department has ordered into active service nine regiments of engineers corps to go to France to work on lines of communication. The regiments will probably be mobilized for training before sailing. Four of the nine regiments are already filled to war strength.

IN FRANCE WHEN FIRST SNOW FLIES

FIVE DIVISIONS OF NATIONAL GUARDSMEN WILL BE IN EUROPE BY WINTER IF PLANS OF GENERAL STAFF GO THROUGH

(By United Press) Washington, June 2.—Five divisions of national guardsmen, or about 125,000 men, will be in Europe by the time snow flies if the plans considered by the general Army Staff are adopted.

A decision as to their adoption is expected soon.

The abandonment of half of the proposed cantonments for training is explained on the ground that the staff is understood to favor, in spite of the difficulties of transporting a large number of troops before November, brief periods of training in American camps and intensive training at cantonments already established in Britain and France.

BERLIN CLAIMS MANY PRISONERS IN MAY

Berlin, June 2.—The capture of French positions three quarters of a mile wide near Allement, northeast of Sedan, is announced today. Two thousand five hundred prisoners were taken by the Germans in May.

WEATHER

Probably heavy thunderstorms tonight or Sunday not much change in temperature with winds.

MARKET BUREAU IS NOW OPEN

FEDERAL AND STATE GOVERNMENTS CO-OPERATING TO GIVE FARMERS OF NORTH CAROLINA TELEGRAPHIC REPORTS OF MARKET CONDITIONS AND MOVEMENT OF POTATO CROP

The Government market news bureau, established here a year ago to serve the potato growers of the State by furnishing them definite telegraphic information of the prices and of the movement of potatoes toward the various markets throughout the country was re-opened on May 31st in the offices of the County Agricultural Agent in the Kramer building and is now issuing the report daily at two-thirty every afternoon.

"It is the intention of this office," said Mr. Julian Smith of the Federal Department of Agriculture to a reporter for this paper this morning, to furnish this report to every potato grower in the state who wants it.

The bureau this year will be in charge of Mr. W. M. Orr of the Division of Markets of the State Department of Agriculture. The State and Federal Governments are co-operating to give the potato growers this service and Mr. Julian Smith is here temporarily to get the work on an efficient basis.

"The daily report is sent out by mail every afternoon at two-thirty," says Mr. Smith, "but those who desire quicker service can arrange for telegraphic or telephonic messages from this office to be sent charges collect. We will be glad to have potato growers call at any time at room 209 in the Kramer building and obtain any additional information they may require."

Co-operating with this market news bureau, farmers of any section may get together and organize to secure a uniform grade and pack which, judging from the experience of the Carolina Potato Exchange, will be well worth their while.

The news bureau was established for the first time last year and the potato growers of this section, at the end of the season, had a great deal to say of the value that the bureau had been to them in marketing their crop. If growers this year will organize and co-operate in moving their potatoes and in packing and grading them, the reports may be the more intelligently acted upon and a maximum of benefit to the grower will be the result.

LADIES AUXILIARY ASSISTS CAMPAIGN

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. furnished a very nice supper for the opening of the Campaign Thursday night and last night the City Road and First Methodist Church ladies looked after the supper. Tonight the two Baptist Churches are to have ladies present who will look after arrangements. Next Monday the ladies of the Presbyterian Church will have charge and on the closing night ladies from the Episcopal Church. Mrs. Wright kindly volunteered to take charge of the menu's and of the kitchen for Friday, Saturday and Monday nights and the result will be some mighty good things to eat for the workers each night and in justice to the ladies and Mrs. Wright they should make a sacrifice present each night.

The Army has some surprises up its sleeves for the Navy and if the Navy doesn't look out its ships will be present each night.

IS GREAT TASK TO FINANCE WAR

AND THE STORY OF HOW IT WAS DONE IN OTHER AMERICAN WARS SHOWS UP SOME INTERESTING CONTRASTS

(By FRANK B. WILSON) (Written For The United Press) Washington, June 2.—National credit depends very much upon two factors, national resources and the strength of the government.

A nation might possess overwhelming resources and still suffer from bad credit because the weakness of its government would not make it possible for that nation to levy upon its resources to meet its obligations.

The American Revolution is an example of sufficient resources but inability to collect. Most of the functions of government were possessed by the States at the beginning of the Revolutionary War. Each state issued its own money and collected its own taxes. The Continental Congress was a voluntary advisory body which grew up to meet the exigency.

The story of the attempt of the thirteen colonies to finance their rebellion against Great Britain is one of the tragic chapters of all history. The mental tortures suffered by the men who were bearing the responsibility of government compared with the physical tortures endured by the patriots at Valley Forge. Nearly every plan of money raising devised by human brain was attempted by the colonists and with only partial success.

There are four recognized methods of raising money for warfare. These are the sale of bonds, the issuance of paper money, direct and indirect taxation, and the confiscation of property and wealth. The colonies tried every plan. During the first year of the war they issued six million dollars of paper money asking each colony to redeem a certain portion of this issue. The Federal Government could not demand the states to pay; it merely requested and some of them paid and some did not.

Early in 1776 four billion dollars of paper money was issued and paper money became so plentiful that it was worth only about one seventh of its face value. By the end of 1776 more than twenty millions had been issued.

In July 1775 the colonies attempted a five million dollars loan at 4 per cent. It failed because Capitalists could get 6 per cent from private borrowers. In 1777 a big lottery was attempted, 100,000 tickets being sold to produce government revenue but this did not succeed as well as was expected. During 1777 thirteen million dollars more of paper money was issued. The Continental Congress, desperate, asked the states to raise money by taxation and lend it to the government at 6 per cent. The property of British Loyalists in the colonies was confiscated, and used to help carry on the war. Then when the colonies were almost at the end of their financial string, came the French alliance, and France bolstered up American credit a little bit by guaranteeing the interest on the debt.

When France joined American fifty million dollars of paper money had been issued. By the end of 1779, the total issue of paper money had reached \$200,000,000 and it had lost its purchasing power; the money would not even be accepted for furnishing supplies to Washington's army, so Congress assessed a certain amount of supplies against each of the states, Virginia being assessed 20,000 barrels of Indian corn.

It was Robert Morris, a Philadelphia banker, who finally devised the financial system which saw the colonies through. He created the Bank of North America to redeem notes in specie payments. He was materially aided by reason of the better feeling which prevailed over the chance of victory and the consequently enhanced credit of the colonies.

American credit was desperately low during the war of 1812. The great financier Albert Gallatin, was able to sell about one half of the first eleven million dollar loan at 6 per cent. The second loan of sixteen million dollars only produced about five million. Finally the government offered a premium of 13 cents on the dollar and David Parish, Stephen Gallard and

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BIG PEACH CROP ON ROANOKE ISLAND

SHIPMENTS WILL BEGIN TO MOVE WITHIN TWO WEEKS AND PROSPECTS INDICATE A SUCCESSFUL SEASON

"The Roanoke Island Peach Crop will begin moving in about two weeks and you can take it from me that it will be a peach of a crop, too."

So spoke Mr. W. R. Poyner, commercial agent of the Southern Express Company of Norfolk who passed through the city today on his way home after a trip to Roanoke Island to advise the shippers and inform them as to the best methods of moving their crop this season.

"The Croatan Orchards, which are under the management of Mr. Charles R. Schirmer, represent the largest investment in fruit culture on the Island, said Mr. Poyner. Mr. Schirmer has 7000 peach trees now bearing and 3500 more which were set out last year.

"Another large orchard is the 'Bide-a-Wee' of which Mrs. Perry S. Binder is owner. Mrs. Binder has 1500 peach trees now bearing.

"Both orchards will be ready to begin shipments by June 15th. The varieties of peaches in these orchards are the Mayflower, Greensboro, Georgia Belle and Alberta.

"And it is not only peaches that look good on Roanoke Island," went on Mr. Poyner, who is always enthusiastic after a visit to the island which heretofore has depended on historical association for distinction but which now seems likely to surpass its former fame by the successful culture of fruit and truck crops. "Every thing that grows there is thriving and shows no effects of the backward spring that has been such a handicap to farmers elsewhere. Roanoke Island corn, for instance, is waist-high."

THRIVING PACKING BUSINESS

"I was also much interested," said Mr. Poyner, "in the Burnside Packing Company which now seems to be doing a thriving business in the canning and packing of herring roe and drum fish. One hundred and ten cases were packed yesterday. The catch yesterday was 250 drum of an average weight of twenty pounds each.

"As soon as the fishing season is over the Burnside Packing Company will begin to can and ship tomatoes. For this purpose they already have in cultivation thirty acres of tomato plants.

"I am encouraged to find that in addition to tomatoes, beans, onions and cabbage are being grown for the market on Roanoke Island and are being shipped in good quantity.

"With its equable climate and well adapted soil I believe Roanoke Island has a bright future as a fruit and trucking center. In addition to the freedom from late frosts it has the advantage over the sandhill section of this state and of Georgia in the growing of peaches in that it is much nearer the great markets where these products command the fanciest prices."

SPEAKING OF PASQUOTANK

"By the way," said Mr. Poyner, changing the subject slightly, you certainly did raise some peas in your section this year. The Norfolk Southern has handled for my company no less than 50,000 baskets. The record express shipment for one day was 20 carloads, shipped up between Plymouth and Norfolk.

HOOVER APPEALS TO THE WOMEN

DECLARES THAT NINETY PER CENT OF FOOD CONSUMPTION IS CONTROLLED BY WOMEN

Washington, June 2.—In an appeal to the Housewives of the country today for economy in food, Food Director Hoover stated that America eats too much. Everyone eats more than necessary, he says, and, practically every household wastes foodstuffs. Women control ninety per cent of food consumption and should introduce a spirit of sacrifice, he declared. Hotel waste was pointed out as one of the worst and the "fourth meal" or late supper as a most useless extravagance.

NAVY LEADS ARMY ON FIRST DAY Y M C A MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

Supper Will Be Served Tonight At Seven For The Various Divisions of The Army And Navy To Hear Their Second Day's Report.

POTATOES WILL BRING MONEY

WITH CAREFUL ATTENTION TO GRADING CAROLINA POTATO EXCHANGE MEMBERS WILL NET FINE RECEIPTS FROM THE CROP

"It certainly looks like potatoes will bring the money this year," says N. Howard Smith, in charge of the Carolina Potato Exchange here.

Sixty four barrels of Exchange potatoes brought \$540.2 f. o. b. Elizabeth City Friday. Movement is still light, but Currituck growers will start to digging next week in dead earnest.

About eighty six Currituck potato growers are members of the exchange. These for the most part live between Harbinger and Grandy. They represent some of the best growers in the county.

The Carolina Potato Exchange was organized two years ago under the supervision of Mr. C. E. Haskett of the Division of Markets of North Carolina with the purpose of assisting potato growers in the matter of marketing their potatoes to best advantage. All potatoes are carefully graded. The first grade is marked "Carolina," the second best "Currituck," and the third "Field Run."

Previous to the organization of the Carolina Potato Exchange the potato digging season in North Carolina was unduly short because the trade preferred graded stock from Virginia as soon as it came on the market, rather than the ungraded stock from North Carolina. With the uniform pack the Exchange finds that its agents in the northern markets can hold up the prices and the digging period is prolonged and prices are made better throughout the season. Mr. Smith figures that attention to the grade and pack will net the farmers a gain of \$150 per hundred barrels.

MR. SHEEP RETURNS FROM THE NORTH

Mr. Sheep of the M. Leigh Sheep Company has just returned from northern markets where he has been purchasing thin summer dresses, skirts and waists for the summer wear.

Mr. Sheep reports quite a successful trip and within the next few days will have an announcement of interest to the ladies of Elizabeth City and vicinity.

NOTICE TO THE PATRONS OF NORFOLK & CAROLINA TELEPHONE & TELEGRAPH COMPANY

This is to notify the patrons of the above named Company that under the existing laws we are compelled to have the various reports which we make to the Federal Government and to the State in on time or we will be penalized for failing to comply with the law.

We therefore request you to have your rent in the Company's Office, 509 East Fearing street, not later than the 10th of each month. Upon your failure to comply we will be compelled to discontinue your service from that date. Owing to conditions brought about by the present war we are unable at any price to purchase more instruments, and if we should be compelled to take out your phone we will be unable to reinstate you until conditions change. Therefore take notice and govern yourself accordingly.

All telephone rents are due and payable on the first day of each month in advance at the Company's office. Norfolk & Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Co. C. W. GRICE, Gen. Manager. May 26, 28, 29, 30, 31, June 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9.

The "Navy" led the "Army" by 164 points for the first day in the recruiting campaign for members for the Y. M. C. A.

Forty new members was the total record for the first day, the Navy recruiting a total of 274 points as against 110 points for the Army. "General" Twiddy is confident, however, that the Army recruits will outnum her the navy in the report tonight.

In the "Navy" Captain Houts of the Hospital ship led the record for recruits his division having secured 100 points for the day—nine senior and three junior members; Captain of Submarines Stallings followed with sixty points—six senior members; Captain Osburn of the Torpedo Boats came next with 45 points—one sustaining and three senior members; Captain Leigh of the Dreadnaughts scored 40 points—four senior members; Captain Pugh of the Hydroplanes, 29 points—two senior, one junior and one employed member.

In the Army Commander Hughes of the Aeroplanes with 40 points—four senior members; Commander Griffin of the Infantry followed with 30 points, 3 senior members; Ambulance Commander Clark scored 30 points—one sustaining one senior and one junior member; Cavalry Commander Anderson 10 points—one senior member; Captain of the Artillery John L. Wells, no recruits.

Supper was prepared for those enlisted in the campaign by the ladies of the First Methodist and City Road Churches and the officers expressed their appreciation to the ladies for the enjoyable feast. The Boy Scouts assisted in serving. The meeting was called to order by Commander in Chief Markham and prayer followed by Rev. Osburn. After supper the reports were called and when they had been given in Commander in Chief Markham made a few closing remarks thanking the ladies for the supper and urging the "officers" to be present promptly Saturday night with their report on hand.

Supper will be served tonight at 7 o'clock. All division commanders and their lieutenants and co-workers are asked to be present to make their reports. Supper will be served promptly at seven and those desiring to do so may leave at 7:30. The gallery will be open and the public is invited to hear the report of the various divisions of the "Army" and "Navy."

One point represents \$1.00. One sustaining membership amounts to \$15.00; one senior membership, \$10.; one junior \$5.00 and one employed membership \$4.00.

Following is the first day's report:

Table with columns: ARMY, Points, Sus., Sr., Jr., Emp. Rows include Infantry, Cavalry, Artillery, Ambulance, Aeroplane, Total, NAVY, Submarines, Torpedo Boats, Dreadnaughts, Hydroplanes, Hospital Ship, Total.

MONDAY IS DAY TO CALL FOR TICKETS

Manager Pugh, chairman of the ticket committee, wishes to notify the Chautauqua Guarantors that the tickets will be distributed among among them on Monday, June 4th, and that each Guarantor is expected to call or send to his office for his tickets on that date. By a vote of the guarantors also each guarantor is pledged to send his check immediately for the number of tickets which he will use for his family.

The number of guarantors is larger than ever before and it is expected that the tickets will be disposed of with unusual ease. Those wishing to secure a season ticket should act promptly in securing one.