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WAR OVER BEFORE U S WAKES UP

Prussians Believe That All Will Be Over and a Staggering Indemnity Saddled on America Before This Country Realizes She is in The Fighting.

(By WILLIAM PHILIP SIMMS) (United Press Staff Correspondent.) With British Armies Afield, June 4.—The war will be over and a staggering indemnity saddled upon the United States before she knows she's in the fighting.

This is the Prussian view as reflected in the attitude of prisoners recently brought into the British lines. "Before America awakes Germany will have starved England, France and Italy; will have effected a separate peace with Russia, leaving the United States alone to make the best terms she can with the Teuton Conqueror."

That is what I was told by a young German officer today. It is undoubtedly true that Germany is prepared to fight a telling defensive war almost indefinitely if she can only keep her hungry populace in line.

It will be comparatively easy for Germany to fight defensively behind lines of her own choosing in positions from which the Teutons may not be driven by such a wealth of artillery, of interlocked wheels, of mountains of shells of innumerable transports, of manifold machinery of war, and lastly of men and then more men, as to stagger human calculation.

The British army is pleased at America's activity and refuses to accept the Prussian belief that the United States does not expect to fight for her allies.

NATIONAL GUARDSMEN REPLACED BY CIVILIANS

(By United Press) Washington, June 4.—National Guardsmen now guarding factories, railroad bridges and the like will be ordered to join commands when the national guards units are called out in July and August. The work they leave will be done by watchman or home guards bodies, it is officially learned today.

VETERANS WANT TO JOIN FIGHTING RANKS

(By United Press) Washington, June 4.—An inspiration of the nation's young men who register tomorrow was given today when more than two thousand gray coated veterans, some bent feeble, some erect and verily, expressed a readiness to join the army if Wilson would accept them.

HEALTH OFFICER MAKES REPORT

City Health Officer, Dr C B Williams advised that weeds and undergrowth on vacant lots be cut down as soon as possible in his monthly report to the Board of Aldermen. During the month there were 9 white births and eight colored; seven white deaths and eight colored. The city water was reported fit for drinking purposes but color too high.

AT MOYOCK HIGH SCHOOL

Moyock, N. C., June 4.—The Moyock High School pupils will give a play, "Mr. Bob," in the auditorium Monday night, June 4th.

SENATE AGREES TO TAX NEWSPAPERS

Washington, June 4.—The Senate Finance committee today tentatively agreed to impose a two per cent advertising tax on all newspapers.

WEATHER

Fair tonight and Tuesday, warmer on Wednesday. West portion tonight and Tuesday, fair.

FIRES DESTROY RUSSIAN WHEAT

THREE MILLION BUSHELS LOST IN THE MINSK REGION, FIRE PROBABLY OF INCENDIARY ORIGIN

(By United Press) Petrograd, June 4.—Forest fires in the Minsk region have already burned over seven thousand acres, destroying three million bushels of wheat and big elevators at Saratoff, according to word received here.

The fire is believed to have been of incendiary origin and it is not yet known whether or not there has been any loss of life.

A vigorous investigation is under way. The provisional cabinet met today at the home of the foreign minister of commerce Kornaloff pleading with him to withdraw his resignation. Premier Lyoff wept in parting as Kornaloff refused.

The Workmen and soldiers Journal which now has all the power in Petrograd, complained editorially today against the issuance of paper money by the government, demanding that all war profits be confiscated by central authority.

ADOPT UNIQUE EXPEDIENT

The Provisional government today adopted an unique expedient, naming the Russian dreadnaught Alexander III as the capital city for the port of Kronstadt. The fortress itself is under control of the soldiers and workmen's council which has proclaimed it independent of provisional ministry. The provisional government's administrative officers were ordered to meet aboard the Alexander conference.

Sixty per cent of the storekeepers of Petrograd have granted, the demands of striking clerks for a hundred per cent increase in wages, retroactive from the beginning of the war. Some will receive \$5.00 in back wages. A number of stores announced that they will close rather than accede to the exorbitant demands. Special masses are being held in the churches for prayer that the anarchistic disturbances of the last few days may end.

MESSAGE REACHES NEW RUSSIA TODAY

(By United Press) Washington, June 4.—President Wilson's message to Russia outlining America's war aim was presented the provisional government today.

AMERICANS LOST ON TORPEDOED STEAMER

(By United Press) New York, June 4.—The torpedoing of the British steamer Jessmore, enroute from Baltimore to Manchester, with several Americans among the crew, is reported here by arrivals from Europe. It is said that four Americans were saved.

JONES—JONES

Mr. Thomas Webster Jones of Richmond, Va., and Miss Mary Shepard Jones of Smithfield, Va., were married Sunday night by Rev B C Henning at his residence on Main street.

SECOND GERMAN SPY ALSO PROVED FAKE

Elizabeth City had its second experience Saturday and Sunday with German spydom and this chapter of the story ended as did the first several weeks ago.

The arrest of Walter Lang on Saturday, gave South Mills a real treat in the way of excitement, but Elizabeth City, wise from former experience, waited to see if the German spy, so called was real.

Lang was arrested at South Mills and brought here by Sheriff John B. Mitchell. He said that he had been arrested at Washington also upon suspicion, but had been liberated upon investigation. A message from Washington Sunday afternoon confirmed his story and he was allowed to leave the jail here where he had been lodged pending information from Washington.

Lang is German born and lives in Brooklyn, N. Y. And thus endeth the second chapter. Of course, the next spy may turn out to be REAL.

TUESDAY HOLIDAY

The Governor of North Carolina having declared Tuesday, June 5th a legal holiday the associated banks of Elizabeth City will be closed all day. CITIZENS BANK SAVINGS BANK & TRUST CO. FIRST NATIONAL BANK

CONFEDERATE VETERANS "INVADE" WASHINGTON

(By United Press) Washington, June 4.—Remnants of the armies of Lee and Jackson marched into Washington today, playing "Dixie" and sounding the rebel yell. And the capitol tense under the stress and strain of waging war, welcomed the Confederate veterans with cheering enthusiasm.

Thousands of old soldiers attended the twenty-seventh annual reunion of the United Confederate Veterans and its affiliated organizations. The great plaza fronting the Union depot was converted into a tented field, where many of the veterans stopped. This is the first reunion to be held out of Dixie. The real celebration will get under way tomorrow.

To-night At New Theatre

"The Velvet Paw" which will be seen at the New Theatre tonight is a story of national politics, strongly dramatic and interesting.

The scene is laid at Washington, D. C., that entrance to fame—the hot bed of political strife, that oft becomes the gateway to oblivion, the most beautiful city in the world, yet tradition and fact record many of life's wonderful dramas that have had their birth and death in the shadow of the great dome of the Capitol.

Like many faithful wives, Mary Dexter accompanied her husband to Washington in search of success, but it came in a far different manner than she anticipated, and the golden bridge over which she crossed to sunrise, also brought her in sight of The Cross.

Most women would have given up the fight, but Mary Dexter proved that woman has a natural greatness which man seems unable to destroy, and out of the depth of the sorrow which she passed through, she mounted to the pinnacle of success. She proved the Nation's champion, and out of the goodness of her soul came an inspiration that caused as great a fight as was ever seen in the House of Congress.

This is a marvelous picture and House Peters with Gall Kane demonstrate the power of right—and love.

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 restate 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.

TWENTY SHOATS—GRADE HAMPSHIRE and Duroc. Approximate weights ranging from thirty to fifty pounds. For sale at twelve cent pound. Terms cash. B. W. GATHER, Hertford, N. C.

A RECORD BREAKING REPORT LOOKED FOR AT SEVEN TONIGHT

Navy Held Its Lead in Saturday Night's Report But There Is No Telling What The Work Of Sunday and Monday May Bring Forth

NEW SECRETARY NOW SECURED

F. D. MARKS OF RICHMOND COMES HIGHLY RECOMMENDED AND WILL FILL VACANCY MADE BY RESIGNATION OF SBO RETARY FORD

Mr. F. D. Marks now Religious Secretary of the Richmond Y. M. C. A., has accepted the Secretaryship of the organization here and is expected to arrive in the city at an early date. Secretary Ford has resigned to serve the government in Y. M. C. A. work but he does not yet know just where he will be detailed at present. He will leave Friday or Saturday of this week.

Mr. Marks comes here highly recommended. He has had seventeen years experience in Y. M. C. A. work, his first work being at Princeton University after his graduation there. Mr. Marks served four years as Secretary of the Asheville Y. M. C. A., raising a debt there of \$20,000 and putting the association on a permanent basis. He is highly recommended by the State Y. M. C. A. Secretary and from all places that he has served.

YOUNG MEN SHOULD TAKE MEMBERSHIP

At Saturday night's meeting of the officers of the "Army" and "Navy" for report, Secretary Ford urged that the young men of the city, who are expecting to be in military service soon take out a membership in the local Y M C A. Young men who join the fighting ranks can get the benefits of the Army and Navy Y M C A's without charge and in appreciation of what the association is doing in this respect the young men going into the army and navy should by all means sign a membership card.

Tonight's Show At Alkrama

Monday at the Alkrama, matinee and night. Special attraction is Our Fighting Forces, a two part picture showing a general review of our army and navy.

The feature attraction Monday will be "The Sunbeam," starring Mabel Taliferro. This picture is a love story that lingers in the heart. Miss Taliferro is seen, at her best in this delightful play, which shows her as a living sunbeam shedding warmth and happiness amid the chills and shadows.

NEW BOARD HOLDS FIRST SESSION TONIGHT

The new board of aldermen will be sworn in office tonight at eight o'clock at the City Hall. The board will proceed into the election of Mayor, City Health Officer and City Manager—or as far as they can get.

The old board met this afternoon at 2:30 and after routine business adjourned.

CHILDREN'S DAY AT MOYOCK

Moyock, N. C. June 4.—The children's Day program at the Methodist Church Sunday morning was one of the best ever had there.

The children acquitted themselves with their usual grace and dignity which reflected credit to Mrs W D Cox and Miss Eva Jones, who had so skillfully trained them. The church was beautifully decorated with evergreens and roses.

The officers of the "army" and "navy" Y M C A membership campaign have been hustling yesterday and today for "recruits" in their respective branches. With these two days of work a record breaking report is looked for from both the "army" and "navy" at tonight's meeting. Supper will be served as usual at seven o'clock and every division commander and his lieutenants and co-workers are asked and urged to be present promptly at that hour with their reports.

The "Navy" held its lead at Saturday night's meeting with 30 'recruits'—eighteen senior members, two sustaining members, nine junior members, and one employed member. The army record was eight "recruits"—seven senior members and one sustaining member. For Friday and Saturday's work the navy now has a grand total of 534 points representing fifty-nine new members. The army for the two days has a grand total of 180 points, representing 19 new members.

In the 'navy' report Captain Houts of the Hospital ship again led the record for recruits. He scored 160 points—two sustaining members, nine senior members, five junior members and one employed member. Captain Osburn of the Torpedo Boats scored 35 points—three senior members and one junior member; Captain Push of the Hydroplanes, thirty points—three senior members; Captain Leigh of Dreadnaughts, 25 points—one senior member and three junior members; Captain Stallings of the Submarines, 20 points—two senior members.

In the 'army' Commander Hughes of the Aeroplanes led with 40 points—four senior members. Commander Clark of the Ambulance Corps scored 30 points—three senior members. The Commanders of the Infantry, Cavalry and Artillery were absent and thus no report of their work was heard.

Saturday night's meeting was opened with prayer by J B Leigh. After the officers had enjoyed the supper served by the ladies of the First Baptist and Blackwell Memorial churches Admiral Cray and General Twiddy called on their divisions for reports. Commander in Chief Markham in closing remarks stated that he was not dissatisfied with the first two days recruiting but that he looked for the record to be doubled at Monday night's report. He asked that as many as possible of the men enlisted in the campaign give their full time in Y M C A Membership work Monday and Tuesday. The meeting closed with prayer by Rev J L Cunningham.

Following is the second days report

Table with columns: NAVY, Points, Sus., Jr., Emp., Sr. Rows include Submarines, Torpedo Boats, Dreadnaughts, Hydroplanes, Hospital, and Total.

Table with columns: ARMY, Points, Sus., Jr., Emp., Sr. Rows include Infantry, Cavalry, Artillery, Ambulance Corps, Aeroplanes, and Total.

Following is the report of the two day's work—by number of points and total number new members:

Table with columns: NAVY, Points, Members. Rows for Friday, Saturday, and Total.

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List of Membership of The Young Men's Christian Association since expiration of the membership year, May 1st, 1917.

This includes every man and boy who has taken membership since that date. (Continued on Next Page)