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HOW IS THE WAR GOING?

At the Beginning the Germans Seemed to Have all the Advantage, But, today a New Period has Set in and the Counter-stroke is now being Rapidly Delivered by the Allies.

(By A. Vermont.)

There is a growing interest in the world conflict, and it is right and meet that this interest should be. The man who to-day does not read or drink when the four corners of the world are afire, is unworthy of his day. There never has been a better organized news service, there never has been more ability to follow the events. For instance, last night while the armies were grappling at Saint Quentin, we had the description and the process of the battle flashed to us, up to midnight. It seems that the question "How is the war going?" should be answered easily. That, however, is not the case.

The battle is fought not only on the battle grounds; the real battle is also in the workshop and on the field. Who is able to equip the troops best? Who can best feed the soldiers? Who has the strongest power of resistance?

At the beginning of the war all the advantages were with the Germans. Their grand sweep through the enemies' territory must remain remarkable in the annals of the world. Today however, a new period has set in and

France, which did not have ammunition or men ready, is now furnishing her soldiers abundantly with weapons and food. England, which was slow to move is sending her ammunition to her soldiers on the French battlefields, and the momentum of her advance can not be stopped by the Germans. The Belgians whose little army has been holding on to a corner of their country have recovered this week a town for which thousands of lives were offered. The battle line is slowly bending back towards Germany.

The German frontier is within an appreciable distance from the French lines, and should the

Allies happen to break through at Saint Quentin, the Hindenburg line would be broken and a retreat might be ordered to the German frontier. This would by no means mean that the Germans are defeated. There is no telling how they have fortified their own country. It will be more than a giant's task to break through the barriers they have erected on their confines.

The English Navy is as usual watching the seas. The English must be defeated on the ocean before the Germans may think of attacking any other nation on sea. The battle of Jutland has proven the fact that the English fleet is as invincible as it ever was. It has its old time discipline, and it vastly outnumbers the German fleet.

As the war stands now, the Germans have not been defeated on land, though they have lost heavily during the last week. They have not defeated their enemy on water. They must be defeated differently. They are on the point of losing through starvation.

Just as they starved the French people into submission, so they

on which they may make peace. There is no doubt that there is need and hunger in Germany. The moment peace is made, provisions in plenty will reach the German women and children, there will be plenty to feed the men.

Germany had one hope: that the submarine would force England to her knees. Several weeks have elapsed since this warfare was begun. It has proven a vain hope to the Germans. On the contrary, it has brought the United States to the side of the Allies and to-day we have voted seven billions of dollars to help the latter in their crusade against the Central powers.

How long then will all this last? The South American Republics are moving with us. The world is gathering strength against the Hohenzollerns and the military ring that holds Germany in its grip.

It is just as possible that tomorrow's wires may flash to us the news that the end has come. The Russian Revolution came to us as a clap in a clear sky. It is such a thing possible in Germany?

Pitt County Board Education Passes Food Resolutions

The Board of Education at a special meeting on April 23, adopted the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, our country is facing a crisis in its food supply, having upon it the necessity of feeding our people and helping largely to feed our European brothers, and

WHEREAS, the increasing scarcity of food products and the constantly rising prices point to an acute situation at home as well as abroad; and

WHEREAS, there is in Pitt County an abundance of idle land that could and should be planted in food crop,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That we urge our people to bend every energy toward increasing the acreage devoted to food crops.

2. That every home

an abundance of vegetables for summer consumption, and that the surplus should be canned.

4. That the boys and girls of the country should enter heartily into the work of the corn clubs, canning clubs, pig clubs, and poultry clubs.

5. That whenever the money is available, the country should employ a woman home demonstration agent to direct the activities of the girls and boys, especially in the canning club work.

6. That school committeemen, teachers, pupils and every one interested in public education should lend every possible encouragement to this movement.

7. That school committeemen

and teachers should consider the advisability of cultivating a school garden during the summer and fall.

8. That agricultural instruction should be stressed in our schools during the coming year as never before.

Pitt County Board Education.
A. G. Cox, Chairman.
L. C. Arthur
M. O. Blount
S. B. Underwood,
Secretary.

Preacher Kills His Wife, Mother-in-Law and Himself.

Yonkers, April 22.—After a quarrel about the war with his mother-in-law, a native of Germany, and his wife, the Rev. Robert F. Berry, pastor of a Presbyterian Church in East Yonkers, early today shot and killed both women, wounded his sister-in-law, and then committed suicide.

He left a note containing only two words—"Insane Prussians." From Miss Caroline Bahr, the clergyman's sister-in-law, the police say they feared that the Rev. Mr. Berry purchased a weapon several days ago, saying he had joined the home defense guard. There has been frequent quarrels, his mother-in-law, Mrs. Caroline Bahr, 72 years old, and his wife, Matilda, 35 years old, being strongly pro-German, and arguing that the United States was justified in entering against Germany.

...his freedom and... on the American continent was accentuated 142 years ago this week when the Americans and the British fought at Lexington and Concord. Today the Americans and the British are joined with the Latin and Slavic races in a world war for Liberty and Democracy. The day of a world-wide liberty for all people is nearing its dawn. The fight has been an awful one and the cost in blood has been terrible, but when the Sun of a Righteous Liberty shall soon burst forth in all its effulgent glory, the sons of earth in one loud acclaim will shout: "After all, it is worth what it cost!"

SERVE YOUR COUNTRY BY PLANTING MORE FOOD CROP

Vast Quantities will be Needed, and there's Every Indication that Prices will be High, as the United States will have to Furnish Provisions to a Large per cent of the other Nations

Washington, D. C., April 18.—"Our participation in the war against Germany makes it more than ever important that every Southern farmer shall produce the foods and feedstuffs needed for the people and animals on his farm and a surplus for sale," said President Fairfax Harrison, of the Southern Railway System, today.

"Vast quantities of foods and forage will be required for our own army and navy and for our allies in Europe. These requirements for carrying on war must be met, even though our people at home have to be put on short rations. There is every reason to believe that prices of foods and feedstuffs will be high, and, while it is the patriotic duty of every Southern farmer to produce not only enough to supply himself but a surplus for sale, he will find it profitable to do so. It should be impossible to find a farm anywhere in the South without a home garden. The armies and navies of the United States and our allies will require large quantities of meats and the meat supply of the world is short. There is no part of the United States in

...and every Southern farmer should at once adopt the policy of producing more than enough meat to supply his own requirements. But, however high prices may go, he should not yield to the temptation to sell his breeding animals. It is safe to predict that live stock prices will be high for years to come and the farmer who parts with breeding animals now will be cutting off large future profits.

"Every movement for the encouragement of the production of food crops and meats and for the planting of home gardens on every farm and on vacant lots in the cities and towns should be encouraged. I know of no

agency that can do more in this direction than can the daily and weekly newspapers of the South. They can perform a patriotic duty of the highest value to the entire country, and especially to the people of our own section, by impressing upon their readers day after day and week after week the supreme importance of overlooking no opportunity to increase the production of foods and feedstuffs in the South. I am confident that if every newspaper in the South will carry in each issue a pointed and vigorous editorial on this subject our problem of feeding ourselves and doing our share towards feeding our army and navy and these of our allies will be solved."

Who Am I?

I am more powerful than the combined armies of the world

I have destroyed more men than all the wars of the world

I am more deadly than bullets, and have wrecked more homes than the mightiest of siege guns

I deal in the United States alone over \$306,000,000 each year.

I have no one, and find my

...the young and the old, the strong and the weak; widows and the orphans know me.

I massacre thousands upon thousands of wage earners in a year.

I bring sickness, degradation and death, and yet few seek to avoid me

I lurk in unseen places and do most of my work silently. You are warned against me, but you heed not.

I am relentless. I am everywhere; in the home, on the street, in the factory, at the railroad crossings and on the sea.

I destroy, curse or maim; I give nothing, but take all.

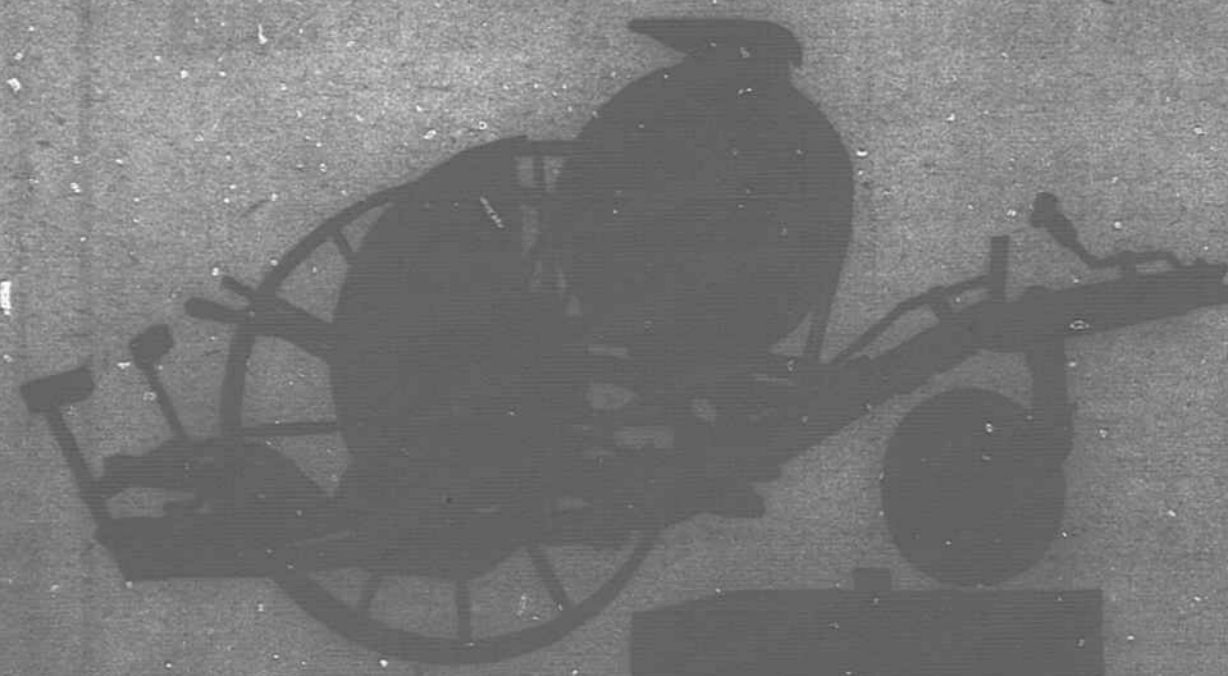
I am your worst enemy. I am carelessness.

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