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### THANKSGIVING

While all of us are supposed to return thanks at our meals, and to remember the graciousness of God in our everyday life, the approaching day of thanksgiving should cause all of us to think more seriously upon our many blessings and bow our heads in grateful praise.

To think of all the years behind us, and the fortunes that were ours, to know the present and fore-see the years to be, is ample cause for a thankful spirit.

With our country at war our consciences should be quickened and our thanks mount the skies for the comparative safety which is ours. To think of the suffering endured in the great war and to realize that up to this time sorrow and grief have barely come to us is enough to view the future, with its certain pain, let us thank God that it is no worse, and that our people are united, ready and willing to face the future and accept the burden it has in store.

The Y. M. C. A. war fund was over-subscribed in the country. The amount desired was \$35,000,000 and subscriptions aggregate \$49,209,411. Whether the amount apportioned to North Carolina was subscribed is not known but it probably fell short as few places in the State raised the allotted apportionment. Reidsville raised its apportionment. Our folks have done only their duty, but they have met the situation manfully in war subscriptions. The Y. M. C. A. fund has been subscribed. May the good work continue. Reidsville must not weary in well doing.

Let every citizen do all he can to help the Red Cross seal campaign. This money is raised each year to assist the district nurse to fight tuberculosis. In this city and county there are many victims of this disease, and money is needed to help help the afflicted. The Red Cross seal workers do their chores without money and without price and those of us enjoying good health should drop a few dollars to give comfort to the afflicted. Every man should buy some seals—his pocketbook and conscience will dictate how many.

### The Price of Shoes

Two of the delegates to the convention of the National Association of Tanners meeting in Chicago this week said that prices of \$10, \$12 and \$15 and \$20 for shoes were made for the reason that the seller thought he could get them. People have been trained to expect high prices, particularly in leather goods, these delegates asserted. There has been a legitimate advance, they added, but no such large increase in prices are justified.

It is well enough for the public that these tanners have had the courage to come out and say that prices for shoes are too high. The fact is that men who are responsible for the fixing of shoe prices have fixed those prices at the top limit they thought the public could be held up for. Somebody is making a pile of money out of shoes.

Competition among retailers is so keen that they may well be acquitted of the charge of fleecing the public. It is more probably the manufacturers or the jobbers.

It is not impossible that the tanners are getting a rake off larger than they are entitled to. The war profiteers are not confined to any one line of industry.—News and Observer.

### Rid The Farm of Rats

The many economies being practiced by North Carolina farmers to save all food possible is of no avail if he is to allow the rats and mice to make way with more food and feed-stuffs than he can save by careful economy. It is estimated that the

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loss due to destruction by rats on the average North Carolina farm will pay the taxes of that farm with some to spare. According to a bulletin received from the United States States Department of Agriculture, the destruction of food and property in the United States amounts to something over the combined earnings of an army of 200,000 men.

Think of what it means. Rats and mice destroy more than 200,000 men can earn or in dollars and cents amounting to two hundred million dollars. This being the case, it is high time for farmers and citizens generally over North Carolina to begin a campaign of extermination says officials of the Agricultural Extension Service. For centuries the world has been fighting rats without organization and at the same time has been carefully feeding them by using storage places for grain and food that are not rat proof, yet are good places for them to live and multiply.

The time to begin this campaign is now. Food is too scarce to feed pests which come from their homes in fish to visit dwellings and store-rooms to destroy and pollute food. They are very cunning, however, and it is not always easy to clear them from the premises by trapping. In fact it is often impossible where food is abundant but trapping is the most effective way of dealing with them and, if followed persistently, will eventually destroy a great number. It is important to remember, however, that one trap will not do where dozens are needed.—F. H. Jeter.

### TOBACCO ONCE LEADING PRODUCT OF THE PHILIPPINES

As an article of export tobacco is one of the four leading products of Philippine agriculture. There are in the neighborhood of 125,000 acres devoted to its production in the entire archipelago. The total annual value of the crop is between \$3,500,000 and \$4,000,000. The total production of leaf tobacco is annually about 40,000 tons. Between 3,000 and 4,000 tons of manufactured leaf is exported annually. About two-sevenths of all classes exported is absorbed by the United States. Cigars of the value of \$2,000,000 and upward are annually sent out.

This total value of tobacco products exported during 1916 was about 60 per cent. higher than for the preceding year. Both leaf tobacco and the manufactured product shared in the increase. The notable new feature in this trade for the year was the increased favor that Philippine cigars found in the American market. Approximately one-half the quantity and three-fourths the value of the cigar exports were taken by the United States. The prices of cigars ranged somewhat lower than for 1915.

The most important tobacco-producing region is in the extreme north of the island of Luzon, in the valley of the Cagayan river, comprising the provinces of the Isabella and Cagayan. The northwestern coast of Luzon, including the provinces of Ilocos Norte, Ilocos Sur, La Union, and Pangasinan, also produce some tobacco. In the Visayas the islands of Negros, Cebu, and Leyte grow enough to be worthy of notice.

### Press Notices

"The vast Chautauquæ audience fairly hung upon his words. Dr. Tupper, a Southerner by birth, has that grace of diction, fervid eloquence and wonderful gift of language that characterize many speakers from the southland. The secret of his unusual power is threefold: Vision, Faith and Personality."—Springfield Union.

Dr. Tupper's Shadow of Castle Garden was a masterpiece. For an hour and a half he held his audience as a body by the spell of splendid oratory, which enlightened while it also captivated the heart of men. He is a most charming orator, gifted with rare beauty of diction and personal grace, and possessed of a clear, keen, analytical mind, which cuts right to the core of a subject. His elocution is flawless and his stage-bearing pleasing and magnetic."—University Magazine, Macon.

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### Virginia's View.

Virginia, aged four, is extremely fond of peanuts. She has an ambition to eat a sackful of them. Her mother told her it would kill her to eat so many. The other day Virginia's grandfather asked her what she would do if he should die. Virginia was very thoughtful for a moment and then said tearfully, "To eat a sack of peanuts and die, too."

## BRITISH MAKE FURTHER GAIN WEST OF CAMBRAI

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British cavalry was operating brilliantly in an endeavor to surround and capture the wood, which would give to General Byng a position dominating the entire battle front. All the ground previously gained by the British had been held up to late Friday. In addition west of Moeuvres an elevation dominating a large section of the Canal Du Nord and the town of Moeuvres, which is in the hands of the Germans, had been captured.

The Germans are fighting bitterly to recapture lost terrain and to hold back further incursions into their line. The fighting, however, apparently is between the opposing British advance and the German rear guard, for the major portion of General Byng's army evidently is engaged on consolidating the territory already won and preparing for another dash forward when the time is opportune.

Although the British are busily engaged in the Cambrai sector, Field Marshal Haig has not overlooked a chance again to stab the German line in Flanders. Southeast of Ypres in an attack the British have thrown forward their line slightly. On the southern front the Germans have delivered several small attacks against the French in the Aisne region, northwest of Rheims and in Champagne, but all of them were repulsed.

Between the Brenna and Piave rivers in the Italian theatre the Italians and the Teutonic allies are still at deadly grips, with the enemy endeavoring to break through the Venetian plain, but with the Italians everywhere tenaciously holding them.

The enemy everywhere is throwing masses of men against Italians, and his losses in men killed, wounded or made prisoner have been extremely heavy. It seemingly is the ambition of the invaders to break out upon the plain before the expected British and French reinforcements arrive, but up to the present their efforts have been without avail. Comparative quiet prevails along the Piave river to the Adriatic.

Following the proposal made by the Bolshevik government in Russia for an armistice, a reduction in the Russian army has been ordered by Nikolai Lenin, the Bolshevik leader, to take effect immediately. Simultaneously, it is stated unofficially, that a Russian diplomat has left Stockholm for Petrograd to deliver to the Russian revolutionary government peace proposals of the central powers.

Leon Trotzky, the Bolshevik foreign minister, in an interview, announces that the Bolsheviks are against a separate peace with Germany, but desire a universal peace with European nations.

### SUNDAY

Hard fighting continued in the battle of Cambrai Saturday with the British pushing determinedly northward on the Fontaine-Queant line, west of Cambrai.

Unofficial reports late in the day indicated the probability that General Byng's troops had wrested possession of the hotly disputed Bourlon wood from the Germans and had recaptured the town of Moeuvres. The village of Fontaine, less than three miles from Cambrai, was reported in flames, suggesting the probability of an impending German retirement from that place.

The Germans are resisting desperately the British advance, which is being pressed most energetically on this east-to-west front. General Byng's evident intention is to drive in behind the main Hindenburg line, breached on Tuesday's surprise attack, and the Queant-Drocourt switchline, while still pushing his encircling movement of Cambrai to the north and east.

Fridays' British attacks were chiefly delivered on the same front. Gains were scored, but Bourlon wood and Moeuvres still remained in German hands. Byng's troops had even captured Bourlon village in the north of the wood. Berlin's official statement indicates, but were driven back by a strong German counter-attack. The British have pushed considerably to the northward of Moeuvres, however, and are hammering at Inchy, which the Germans are battling determinedly to retain.

The Italians have now completed a successful two weeks' defense of the Piave line and the front protecting its flank. Although they have had to yield ground during this time on the front between the upper Piave and the Asiago plateau their defensive line remains unbroken. The Italian fourth army under General Robilant, was on the aggressive between Brenta on Friday, while the first army beat off heavy attacks between the Asiago plateau and the Brenta and the third army foiled further efforts by the Austro-German forces to bridge the Piave with pontons.

In Palestine the British are closing in on Jerusalem, their official statements claiming added interest because of their increasingly frequent mention of biblical names. The site of the ancient Mizpah, some eight miles west of Jerusalem, was carried by storm. Northwest of the city the British were still closer, but their mounted troops near Beit Unia in this sector were forced back by

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a strong Turkish counter-attack. American destroyers in the war zone were successful recently in sinking a German submarine, seemingly beyond all question, according to both official and unofficial accounts. The U-boat fell victim to a depth bomb, rising to the surface after the shock and sinking just after a destroyer had attached a line and was attempting to tow her.

### MONDAY

After hard fighting, in which the troops came into hand-to-hand contact with varying results, Field Marshal Haig's forces now are in possession of the town of Bourlon and the greater part of the Bourlon wood, west of Cambrai, giving them a dominating position over the much sought for railroad center and the surrounding country.

English, Welsh and Scottish battalions, aided by the cavalry, now dismounted, encompassed the defeat of the Germans who had concentrated fresh reserves—men of extreme valor—to face the British in their do-or-die efforts to win the positions which mean so much toward the ultimate capture of Cambrai, with its tentacles of railroads and highways leading in all directions and on which Field Marshal von Hindenburg is so dependent for support. Ever since the main attack the Germans had tenaciously disputed every inch of ground, realizing that with the fall of Bourlon and the wooded heights their tenure of Cambrai would be seriously menaced.

The northeastern portion of the wood apparently now is the sole remaining part of it that is still in German hands and being only about three and a half miles distant from Cambrai, the Germans are doing their utmost to hold it, and even to drive back the British who have gained a footing there.

The army of the German crown prince has not given up its efforts to overcome the success of the French troops last week northwest of Rheims, where the gradual incursions into the German line are threatening Laon. Here the Germans again have made two violent attacks, but their efforts brought them, has been to rule recently, nothing more than repulse and the additional loss of numerous men. Similarly in the region of Verdun the Germans have been worsted in the attacks against General Pétain's front.

In the Italian theatre the troops of General Diaz are more than holding their own against the savage attacks of the Austro-Germans from the region of Lake Garda eastward to the upper reaches of the Piave river. After last week's severe repulses with heavy casualties in the invaders have switched their main offensive to the Asiago plateau sector, but here also they have been held by the Italians without the gain of a yard of ground.

For the first time in several weeks there has been activity on the northern Russian front and notwithstanding the uncertain political conditions in Petrograd and other parts of the country, the Russians are holding their positions against the Germans. Near Jacobstadt the German artillery opened a strong bombardment against the Russians, who replied in turn. To the south and also on the Rumanian front there has been a revival of activity, both from the trenches and in the nature of scouting reconnaissances.



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