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PEACE CHART

President Wilson delivered a notable address before Congress Tuesday in which he concisely stated the war aims of the entente allies in the great fight now on in behalf of world democracy.

We believe 98 per cent. of the American people are behind the President and will back him to the utmost resources of the United States in enforcing every demand he has made.

The President names fourteen specific considerations as a program for world peace, as follows:

- 1. Open covenants of peace without private international understandings. 2. Absolute freedom of the seas in peace or war, except as they may be closed by international action. 3. Removal of all economic barriers and establishment of equality of trade conditions among nations consenting to peace and associating themselves for their maintenance. 4. Guarantees for the reduction of national armaments to the lowest point consistent with domestic safety. 5. Impartial adjustment of all colonial claims, based upon the principle that the peoples concerned have equal weight with the interest of the government.

Such a program he said, removed chief provocations for war. "The moral climax of this, the culminating and final war for human liberty, has come," said the President, in ending his address.

OUR ALLIES' PURCHASES HERE

Most of the money advanced by the United States to the nations in Europe engaged in war with Germany is spent in this country for the products of our farms, mines, and factories.

ding against the other allies and the same treatment our own government receives is accorded to our allies.

It is expressly stipulated that no obligation or liability upon the United States shall be created by this arrangement. Our government is simply lending its assistance to our allies in the spending here of the money we loaned them.

FROM THE BUREAU OF INTERNAL REVENUE

"What deductions are allowed a farmer for 'business expenses' in making out his income-tax return?"

This is one of the many questions which every officers who will visit every county in the United States during January-February will answer in detail. Briefly, they include the amount expended for labor in the preparation of land for crops and in the cultivation, harvesting and marketing of the crop.

The cost of machinery, such as tractors and thrashing machines, can not be deducted, but the cost of their operation is a deductible item.

The value of farm products is not considered taxable until reduced to cash or its equivalent. If crops and stocks were produced in 1916 and sold in 1917, the amount received therefor is to be included in the farmer's tax return for the calendar year 1917.

Many a French home would be brightened by the waste from an American home.

Wasting food now means privation for some one—if not in the United States, in Europe.

The fuel Administration expects school children throughout the country to do the tagging work on "Tag-Your-Shovel-Day" which has been set for January 30, planning to make it a school holiday.

Your county chairman for the National War Savings Committee is Mr. Geo. W. Fraker. Give him all the aid you can.

Governor Bickett calls upon all ministers of the Gospel in North Carolina to preach special sermons on the war savings certificates and sets for the great religious offensive against Germany, Sunday, January 13.

Have you bought your War Savings Stamp yet?

THE NEWS IN BRIEF SINCE OUR LAST ISSUE

About 450 Germans, rounded up in the Philippines and brought from there to San Francisco, will be added to the colony at the internment camp at Hot Springs.

Members of the French high commission, now in this country, will visit Raleigh on the 16th and Gov. Bickett and citizens of Raleigh are arranging for their entertainment.

Four men were killed instantly in a dust explosion in the coal mine at the Lynch Valley Coal Company at Perrell, Va. They were blown from the mine by the force of the explosion.

Three young men, brothers, were drowned at City Point, Va., when the automobile in which they were crossing the river on the ice broke through and went to the bottom in 20 feet of water.

A Kinston man who sold kerosene oil at 25 cents a gallon has been called on to show cause why he was not profiteering. Kinston coal dealers who undertook to sell coal at \$15 per ton were halted.

In Washington last week a handsome silver service was presented to Col. W. H. Osborn, former commissioner of Internal Revenue, the gift of the more than 5,000 employees of the internal revenue service.

An examination of the medical records of the causes of rejection of men from Camp Jackson, Columbia, S. C., shows that 165 men of each 1,000 from North Carolina were rejected on account of feeble-mindedness.

Money in circulation in the United States January 1, amounted to \$5,120,424,000, or \$48.75 per capita, as compared with \$5,085,370,000 one month ago. In the last year money in circulation has increased \$680,000,000.

A cannon shell, a relic of the War Between the States, used as an anchor by a colored farm tenant in Beaufort county, who supposed it to be a harmless bit of metal, exploded and severely wounded a woman and two children.

The enlistment of Bowers, Riley and Ulysses Phillips at the naval recruiting station in Raleigh places the three brothers of one Swain county family in the United States navy.

John P. Davis, an attorney of Tazewell, Tenn., is under bond of \$250 to appear before Federal court in February. Davis is charged with having failed and refused to serve as a member of the legal advisory board to the exemption board of Claiborne county, Tenn.

Great quantities of liquor, most of it brought into the State in trunks and suit cases were seized at many points in the State during the holidays. The biggest haul was made at Lexington, last week, where 463 quarts were found concealed at three different places.

A picture of a group of American prisoners captured by the Germans was recently published in the papers. Mr. G. B. Haliburton of Stony Point recognized the picture of his son, Sergeant Edgar M. Haliburton, who was captured by the Germans soon after the American forces got into action last fall.

Jerome J. Kolaska, who claims to be of Polish descent and is supposed to be a German spy, is in jail at Raleigh to answer a charge of entering the Raleigh Iron Works, a local munition plant, to obtain information that might be used against the American government.

The shipping board will commandeer or requisition the barges and tugs of the Atlantic coast in Virginia, North Carolina and other Southern States to haul North Carolina pine lumber at the rate of 1,000,000 feet a day to the shipyards at Hogg Island and elsewhere. The purpose is to relieve the railroad situation and get the lumber to its destination.

The re-appearance of Encke's comet was reported in a cablegram to the Harvard college observatory from Copenhagen. Encke's comet was really discovered by Pons in 1818, but it is called Encke's comet because of the discussion of its orbit by Johann Encke, a distinguished German astronomer, who died in 1865.

The survey of nursing resources in North Carolina, ordered some time ago by the General Medical Board of the council of National Defense as a part of a nation-wide survey, shows North Carolina has 839 registered and 119 non-registered nurses. Just at present the national survey discloses no serious shortage of nurses, the chief concern being for preparedness in the event of larger demands occa-

sioned by the war which now seems a very certain condition to be met.

Nebraska exemption boards report that answers to draft questionnaires show thousands of Germans who have taken out their first papers and, under the Nebraska laws, have been voting for years, are claiming exemption from army service on the ground that they are enemy aliens. From one small county alone 736 such answers were received from men who have been voting regularly.

Most Progressive of All Spanish Municipalities and Center of the Revolutionary Movement.

The revolutionary movement in Spain centers in the city of Barcelona. The goal of the revolutionists is a republic, and republics stand for progress. Of all Spanish cities Barcelona is the most progressive, writes Niksha.

Barcelona is a great world city. It is outstanding Marseilles as the Commercial center of the Mediterranean. The Spaniard has often been charged with a lack of business and enterprise. Barcelona is his answer.

Yet Barcelona remains characteristically Spanish. The city has taken the ugliness, the bitter competitive spirit of modern industry, and, more nearly than any other industrial center, has blended them with beauty and Latin courtesy and good nature.

It is a sunny town, with a clear, bracing air and a blue sky that the smoke of a thousand chimneys never hides. It has plenty of parks and tree shaded boulevards; even its poorer quarters lack the sordidness of the Anglo-Saxon slum.

New Projectile Has Scissors Attachment—Another Releases Short Chains When It Explodes.

There seems no limit to what the new shells can do. One of the latest shells has a sort of scissors attachment which, when released by the explosion, will cut through the strongest wire entanglements.

The fuse is made in the ordinary way, and behind it is a chamber for the explosive charge. The projectile is fired just as any shell is fired. The explosion releases the cutting arms and they cut through any object with devastating force.

The chain shell is considered similarly, except that the short chains are wound around the gaine and separated by disks which keep them in place until the projectile is emptied. Sometimes the chains are weighed heavily at the ends. When the explosion takes place the chains fly out with fearful force, and in addition to their high-speed forward movement they rotate rapidly.

Want No Vermin.

No man is allowed to enter Germany from Russia without being thoroughly disinfected and purified. It is not disease that the Germans are guarding against, but something that to them is more terrifying than disease—vermin. Therefore, friend or foe, nobleman or peasant, nobody, is allowed to cross the threshold of Germany without a visit to one of the disinfecting stations along the eastern frontier.

Harvesting Kelp.

Before the war potash could be bought for \$40 a ton; since its importation from Germany ceased it has risen to \$450 a ton. G. C. Hopkins, in The Forecaster, describes the harvesting of the gigantic kelp of the Pacific, and says this yields not only potash but ammonia and iodine, while the gas generated in the process is used to help the distillation.

WAR TALKS

By UNCLE DAN

Number Two

Jimmie Collins Tells What He Saw—What Military Training Does for Boys.

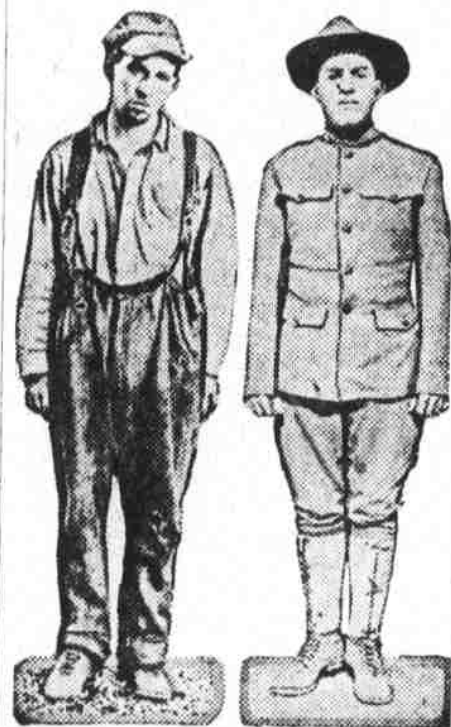
"Well, here we are!" exclaimed Billie, presenting his chum, Jimmie Collins.

"Very glad to see you, Mr. Collins," said Uncle Dan with a smile. "Aw," said Billie, "Just call him Jimmie. That's the only name he knows. He's the pitcher of our baseball nine, and he's some pitcher, too. Just feel of his arm."

"Well," said Uncle Dan, feeling, "That's a mighty good arm!" "Now, boys," said Uncle Dan, "what do you want to talk about?"

"Well," said Jimmie, "I was down to Galesburg a few months ago when the boys came home from the Mexican border. They looked fine. Everybody was surprised to see how straight they stood and how manly they were. The boys seemed proud to wear the uniform. I tell you their muscles were as hard as nails. I heard Bunker Haskett say that the training and discipline the boys had had was exactly what every boy in the country ought to have, and that now these boys could get a better job at higher pay than they could have had before. Do you think that's so, Uncle Dan?"

Uncle Dan replied: "I have a friend who employs hundreds of young men. He always gives boys having had military training the preference; he says it pays to do so. He finds they are more alert, more prompt, more courteous; they know how to carry out orders; they are quicker to think and to act than those without training. He said from his experience he believed that six or eight months of intensive military training would add at least 20 per cent to a man's



AFTER FIVE MONTHS.

The two pictures are of the same young man. The first was taken the day he enlisted and the second after he had had five months' military training. His home is in North Carolina.

earning capacity, and that it was the best investment any young man could make.

"Billie, if you will go up to my room and bring my small handbag, I will let you see two photographs of the same young man, showing what only five months of intensive training on the Mexican border did for him."

The bag was brought. Uncle Dan, showing the pictures, said: "Well, here they are. They tell their own story and it is a mighty interesting one. The young man, before training, has a discouraged look; he has seen but little of the world. There was very little in his surroundings to bring him out. When he joined the colors and Uncle Sam took him in charge, life for him took on a new meaning. He saw a chance to do something and he was something. He woke up. His captain says he is twice the man he was when he joined the army. This may be one of the 'extreme cases,'" said Uncle Dan. "I can tell you, though, that war or no war, no one thing will do the young men of this nation so much good in so short a time as a few months of intensive military training. It fits a man to fight his own life battles in the business world as well as to defend his country and its flag."

"Nearly every civilized country gives its boys military training. It is compulsory. It is based upon the fact that it is the duty of everyone to help defend his country; and as war is now carried on, no one can do much unless he is trained. Also, the records show that the killed and wounded among untrained troops is nearly three times as great as it is with well-trained men who know how to fight and how to protect themselves. By this plan a nation has trained men to defend her and the individual is a stronger and better man for the training."

"If the Chamberlain Bill for Military Training is passed by congress, as it ought to be, the same thing would be done for millions of other young men throughout the land. Everybody ought to demand of his congressman and senators the passage of this bill."

"All right, sir, exclaimed Jimmie, we will see Judge Brownell, Mr. Haskett, and Professor Stocum, and get them busy."

MID-WINTER EXAMINATIONS FOR THE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Prof. L. N. Hickerson, county superintendent of public schools, has mailed out the examination papers to all the teachers of the 5th, 6th and 7th grades of the county elementary public schools for the mid-term examinations.

The following explanatory statement accompanies the examinations: TO THE TEACHERS: These examinations are sent to you with the hope that we may have more uniformity in the classification of the pupils in the public schools. It is absolutely necessary in the public schools to organize the pupils in classes. Each pupil should be in the grade where he can do the best for himself. Reading ought to be the most important subject taught in the schools and the ability should be the basis of classification.

Do not return these examination papers but be sure to keep safely the seventh grade examination and when you receive the final examinations for the seventh grade (which will be sent to you just before your school closes) the grades on both examinations and the average daily work of the pupil will enable the teacher to tell whether or not the pupil ought to complete the elementary school course. All who successfully pass these examinations will be given a certificate at the county commencement which will enable the holder to enter any of the high schools without further examinations. No one should leave the elementary grades unless they are thoroughly drilled in the common school branches.

We will have a spelling contest in each township which will be announced later. There will be a recitation, declamation and story telling contest held at county commencement. Please be sure to write a card just before your school closes and the final examination will be forwarded.

(Agriculture and Civil Government will be given at the final examination) If you have not had an opportunity to observe "North Carolina Day" in your school as the law requires would you not arrange to have it some Friday afternoon in the near future and invite the community. The bulletin mailed to you is valuable and by a little study the pupils can render a splendid program which will be of great interest to the patrons and useful for the children. If you have misplaced your bulletin another can be mailed to you.)

NATION HAS 1,360,000 NOW IN ALL ARMIES

That the movement of 1,360,000 American troops from this country to the battle fronts of Europe is a part of the allied plan of campaign for 1918 is the information given out to the people of Pennsylvania by the council of national defense thru the State committee of public safety.

Latest official figures furnished to the public safety committee place the number of enlisted men now in the United States armies at that strength. According to the statement of the council of national defense this is the largest armed force the Western Hemisphere has ever seen, not even excepting the huge armies which participated in the Civil War. There were 2,700,000 enlistments in the federal army then, but many of them were re-enlistments. The highest total was reached in 1865, when the Union army comprised 980,000 troops. Most of the new army of 1,360,000 men are still in the training camps. Many of them are not yet disciplined troops, fully equipped and ready to take the field but there are already enough of them to form one of the biggest factors for Hindenburg to reckon with in the future.

To lead them there are 80,000 officers. When the graduates of the second training camp receive their first orders the number will be over 100,000, or as many officers as there were privates nine months ago. The whole military establishment, with the Marine Corps and the auxiliary forces included, numbers over 1,500,000.

When Great Britain entered the war it was with a much smaller army. The first expeditionary force numbered barely 100,000, but without its heroic struggle at Mons, Paris might have fallen and encouragement they brought to the French was enough to avert defeat in the first year of the war.

It is the hope of the allies that another new force will be enough in the fourth year of the war to crush the Teuton hordes.

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