

**THE NEWS IN BRIEF  
SINCE OUR LAST ISSUE**

The sugar crop of Cuba this year is expected to break all records.

The 1919 reunion of the North Carolina Division of Confederate veterans was in session last week at Rocky Mount.

Jack Dempsey, champion heavy-weight boxer, was born in Haywood county, North Carolina, about 20 miles from Asheville.

The State Bar Association, in session in Greensboro last week, elected Judge Wm. P. Bynum president by acclamation.

Discovery of 1,000,000 pounds of ham, held in storage in Richmond, was made by State Food and Dairy Commissioner B. L. Purcell.

Thirteen of New York's leading "legitimate" theatres were closed by an actors' strike, called an hour before the curtains were to go up.

Archduke Joseph who took over control of the Hungarian government, has been invested temporarily with supreme powers in the government.

A strike which broke out recently on the trans-Siberian railway is becoming a serious menace. All traffic including military trains is at a standstill.

The king of porkers holds court in Iowa. He measures seven feet from nose to tail and weighs 1,100 pounds. The owner has refused \$26,000 for the boar.

Atlanta bids fair to lead the world in handling horses and mules. One hundred thousand mules and horses annually pass through the hands of dealers there.

Dr. E. R. Layburn, of Durham, one of the leading Presbyterian ministers of the South, has accepted a call to the First Presbyterian church of Rome, Ga.

Twenty persons are believed to have lost their lives when the schooner Gallia was sunk in a collision with the British steamer War Witch which occurred close to St. Pierre.

The cost of public education in Philadelphia increased \$2.52 for each pupil last year. In the previous five years the cost of public education increased only \$1.08 for each pupil.

President Wilson has been asked to recommend to Congress an increase of fifty per cent in the wages of postoffice and postal employees over the country to meet the high cost of living.

"Twenty days per year is all the farmers should work on their land to get full production," declared Henry Ford the other day. He believes tractors are the solution of the farm problem, and says he has already produced 70,000.

The New York stock market suffered its greatest reversal of the year in the final hour of Thursday's trading. Prices of leading shares showed extreme declines of from five to almost 20 points from their early and intermediate quotation.

Authority to increase temporarily the parcel post weight limit to 125 pounds so buyers of army food may take full advantage of the opportunity to purchase through postmasters and letter carriers, was granted the postmaster general by the interstate commerce commission.

Extra precautions were taken to maintain order about the Chicago stockyards with the return to work of many of the 15,000 negro employees engaged there before recent race riots. Large contingents of soldiers and deputy sheriffs and policemen were stationed at the yards.

Leading directly "from Wall Street and from the banking houses controlled directly by the Morgan and Rockefeller groups," information which has come into possession of the railroad brotherhoods, shows that there has proceeded a systemized plundering of virtually all of the public transportation highways in the United States," the

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House inter-state commerce committee was told by Glenn E. Plumb of Chicago.

High Point is to have a half million dollar furniture exposition building. It will contain over 200,000 square feet of floor space devoted exclusively to the exhibition of furniture of all kinds.

The government's case against the five big packers will be placed before the federal grand jury which meets at Chicago three weeks hence. This means that criminal prosecution will be instituted.

Lieut. W. H. Tillisch of Ellington field, Houston, and E. L. Davis of the Texas State department of agriculture, were instantly killed and their bodies burned when their aeroplane fell 100 feet at Eagle Pass, Texas.

The first break in the strike of railroad shophmen in the Southeast came when 1,500 employees of the Norfolk & Western railroad shops at Roanoke voted to return to work and await results of the vote on a general strike order.

Marshal Foch, commander-in-chief of the allied armies during the war, is reported by the Echo de Paris to have been invited by the United States government as well as several organizations in this country to visit America.

Seven hundred and fifty-six of the American soldiers killed in action were victims of gas, according to an announcement by the war department. The average age of all the men killed was 23 years, emphasizing the youth of the American army.

An army of 510,000 regulars and a system of compulsory military training as proposed in the war department's bill establishing a permanent peace time military policy would cost the nation \$900,000,000 a year. This estimate was given to the Senate military committee by General March, chief of staff.

With three persons wounded by revolver bullets, seven others so badly beaten that they may die, and 50 more or less seriously injured in scores of inchoate riots, the second day of the Brooklyn street car strike came to a close with little indication of an end of struggle.

Herbert Hoover, head of the inter-allied relief commission, has stopped all relief supplies on their way to Budapest, taking the position that he would be unwarranted in letting supplies reach Hungary while the Rumanians are now depriving the people of foodstuffs.

The Allies whipped the Germans in the battle of the chemists, and before the war was ended the Germans were subjected to twice as much poison gas as they were able to deliver to the Allies, according to A. Russek Bond, who writes a history of development of gas warfare.

Although the murder which is charged against him was committed in Cherokee county more than 16 years ago, the alertness of Los Angeles, Calif., police has just resulted in the capture there of Horace Witt, wanted in Cherokee county for the murder of Emory Flowers. He will be brought back to North Carolina.

Every innovation must run the gauntlet of criticism. First the livestock owners along the route of the Cleveland-Chicago aerial mail route complained that the whirl of the planes made their stock nervous. Now housewives along the route say the passing mail planes are showering their weekly wash with a spray of oil.

Farmers near Winsted, Conn., are rallying about the old sour apple tree, and any scrub that bears fruit will be used to help buck the high cost of living this autumn. This is the "off" apple year, but more cider mills will be running than ever before. It is predicted, because of the government's intention to permit the making of cider. Cider apples, on which cows generally get drunk, are being sold on the tree at unheard of prices. In fact, they bring more than the fancy eating apples.

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**PRICES ON NEARLY EVERY  
ITEM HAVE SHOWN INCREASE**

Although prices of important foods have shown a substantial increase during the last year, stocks of food held in storage on June 1 this year were approximately twenty per cent greater than those held on June 1, 1918, according to a memorandum showing the relation between storage figures and prices, just issued by the federal trade commission.

"The fact that stocks of many important foods were much larger on June 1 this year than on the same date last year," said the commission's statement, "while prices were as high or higher, apparently means that they are being withheld speculatively for a world demand which is not now here, but which is expected when hunger-impelled strikes secure higher wages with which higher food prices can be paid."

To show that the "law of supply and demand is not working," the commission listed eight staple foods which on June 1 showed an increase in stocks withheld from the market ranging from 3 to 298 per cent over stocks on June 1st, 1918, and in each instance there was shown to have been a substantial advance in the wholesale price during that period. Stocks of frozen fowls showed a maximum increase of 298 per cent and the price, despite the fact, increased three cents a pound. Wheat stocks showed an increase of 174 per cent, with an increase in price of 31 cents; flour stocks, an increase of 21 per cent, with an increase in the price per barrel of nearly \$3; egg stocks, an increase of 9.8 per cent, with an increase in price of 11 cents and butter stocks an increase of 129 per cent, with the price soaring 12 cents above last year's figure.

Salt beef, canned salmon and canned corn completed the items in this table, the latter showing an increase of 91 per cent in stocks with an increase in price.

**PLANS ARE PRESENTED  
FOR MILITARY TRAINING**

A Washington special says: War department recommendation for a system of universal military training of three months for all eligible youths in their 19th year was presented by Secretary Baker today to the senate and house military committee for their guidance in determining the permanent military policy of the nation.

The proposal is contained in a bill prepared by the general staff of the army at the secretary's direction. In transmitting the bill, Secretary Baker, in a letter, said that General Pershing had not been consulted and the plan was tentative to that extent.

The department's bill calls for a regular army of 21 divisions and necessary auxiliary services, within a peace strength of 510,000 enlisted men, and a war strength of 1,250,000. The reserves to fill up the divisions to full strength would be provided through a modified form of the selective service act, under which the national army was raised for the war with Germany. For training purposes, only youths in their 19th year would be called to the colors for a three months' period, to be attached to the regular divisions for that time. It is estimated that this would provide an annual class of 60,000,000 men to be given an intensive military instruction, stripped of all vocational or other educational features.

For two years after training the youths would be required to submit certain reports giving their addresses, changes in status as to dependents, physical condition, etc. They would receive \$1 for each report called for and submitted, thus encouraging the making of reports. In the event of war, all men in this status would be called to the colors to fill up the regular divisions and compose the first replacement units.

The bill provides for reorganization of the regular army in substantially the same terms as previously recommended by Secretary Baker when the current army appropriation bill was under consideration.

No mention of the national guard is made in the bill, but in his letter to the committee chairman, Secretary Baker said he assumed that the national defense act would be continued in force, making the guard subject to federalization for war.

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**Pershing And The Nomination**

General John J. Pershing is coming home. After several years in Europe, during which he led his American boys to victory over the German autocracy, he is now turning his face again to the west and is coming back, with the plaudits of the world in his ears, to whatever his own country has in store for him—perhaps to another cycle of barrick life on the southern frontier.

A while ago the Pershing club was launched somewhere in the west and a boom started for the nomination of the great soldier for Republican nomination for President of the United States. There was much discussion of the matter in the newspapers at the time, but Pershing himself said nothing pro or con about the matter, and it is not known whether or not he is seeking political preferment at the hands of his countrymen.

It is perhaps doubtful if General Pershing is entertaining any such ambition as this, albeit it is a laudable one for any man to entertain. Pershing is a soldier, and the chances are that he will prefer to remain a soldier, doing the work of each day as it develops before him. Pershing is a good soldier; it is doubtful if his is the temperament that would make a good President. The rank and file of his countrymen prefer to remember him as the calm

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