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Three German Machines Brought Down By American Aviators

(By Associated Press)

WITH AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Wednesday.—The first American official communique since the Americans entered the fighting line on a permanent basis was issued tonight and reads: "6 P. M.—Headquarters American Expeditionary Forces. On Northwest Toul and in Lorraine there is marked increase in artillery activity on both sides. Today our aviators brought down three German machines. There is nothing else of importance to report."

Heavy Artillery Fighting on The Flanders Battlefields

(By Associated Press)

LONDON, May 16.—The artillery was active last night in the valleys of the Somme and Ancre River east of Arras and on the Flanders battlefields, the War Office reports.

Casualty List Contains 91 Names; Includes One South Carolinian

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, May 16.—The casualty list contains 91 names: Killed in action, 8; died of wounds, 4; died of accident, 1; died of disease, 4; died of other causes, 1; wounded severely, 4; wounded slightly, 55; missing in action, 14. Private Baxter Hayes and Erson of South Carolina were wounded severely and Private Walter D. Russell of Honea Path, S. C., was wounded slightly.

Concrete Vessels to Be Conducted Rapidly

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, May 16.—The immediate construction of 14 concrete tank steamers for fuel oil trade with a total capacity of 105,000 tons and four concrete cargo vessels with a total capacity of 12,500 tons was decided on today by the Shipping Board.

Soviet Government Protests Against German Aggression

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, May 16.—A copy of the protest made by Soviet government to the German ministry of foreign affairs April 26th, claiming German oppressions, made public to the State Department today shows Russians gave notice of their intention to mobilize all necessary forces in order to secure the freedom and independence of the Russian Republic, which is now menaced beyond the limits established by the treaty.

Austrian Battle Ship Torpedoed By Italian Naval Forces

(By Associated Press)

ROME, May 16.—Austrian battleship of 20,000 ton type was torpedoed by the Italian naval forces off Pola Harbor early Tuesday, it is officially announced. The Italians worked their way into the naval base by dodging the patrol boats and searchlights of the defenders.

While the naval operation was progressing the Italian seaplane force engaged the Austrian battle planes about Pola. Two Austrian machines were brought down and several others compelled to descend out of control. The Italian machines all returned safely.

Rev. James Cannon, of Virginia Elected Bishop By General Conference

(By Associated Press)

ATLANTA, May 16.—Rev. James Cannon, Jr., of Virginia, was elected Bishop in place of Dr. Parker.

COURT CASES TRIED AND DISPOSED OF

Civil Court Closed Wednesday—Criminal Court Will Begin Monday

Court convened here May 6, Judge Thos. S. Sease presiding. The civil cases tried and disposed of are as follows:

J. F. West et al Plaintiff, vs Geo. W. Stevens, defendant. The verdict of the jury is: "We find for the plaintiff the land in dispute and two hundred and fifty dollars damage."

J. J. Clayton, plaintiff, vs Union-Buffalo Mills Co., defendant. The motion made by the defendant's attorney for a non-suit was granted by the court.

W. O. Abicrombie, plaintiff, vs T. E. Bailey, defendant. Motion for a non-suit was over-ruled. The verdict of the jury was: "We find for the defendant."

Ophelia Foster, plaintiff, vs Ellis Jones, defendant. Verdict: "We find for the plaintiff the property listed in the complaint or the value thereof at two thousand and ninety-seven dollars."

Mrs. Laura O'Shields, plaintiff, vs Wylie Humphries, defendant. Verdict: "We find for the plaintiff five hundred dollars."

S. S. Cudd, plaintiff, vs Southern Railway.—Motion made to grant a non-suit. Motion sustained by the court and non-suit granted and order signed.

RESULT OF TUESDAY'S CITY ELECTION

R. P. Morgan Nominated for Mayor; J. H. Schoppaul J. W. Gilbert, A. B. Brannon and S. R. Lybrand Alderman

Union's second Democratic primary held Tuesday, resulted in the selection of R. P. Morgan over the present incumbent by a vote of 335 to 282. The aldermen elected in the first primary were: J. H. Schoppaul, ward one; J. W. Gilbert, ward two; A. B. Brannon, ward three and S. R. Lybrand, ward four.

GO TO OFFICERS' TRAINING CAMP JUNE 3

Bill and Ted Wallace and John Earle Jones, all Union County boys now in Clemson College, will graduate in June and have been ordered to report at Plattsburg, N. Y., June 3, when they will enter the officers training camp at that place. These are fine young fellows, capable and loyal, and Uncle Sam has some exceptional material in them for the making of soldiers.

FLAG RAISED SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Union's honor flags were unfurled here last Saturday afternoon, Col. T. C. Duncan, county chairman of the Third Liberty Loan campaign, presiding. The county flag, with a star, was raised on the court house and the city flag was raised on the postoffice. Rev. Jno. F. Matheson and Rev. Alonzo Finch delivered addresses. Rev. J. B. Bozeman offered the closing prayer. The Union Concert Band rendered several appropriate pieces.

LEAVES FOR CLEMSON TOMORROW

R. E. Foster leaves tomorrow for Clemson College where he goes for special training for Uncle Sam's service. Mr. Foster is an expert machinist and has for several years been the owner of an automobile repair shop here. He is a young man, married, and is capable of rendering valuable service in Uncle Sam's war plan.

MEMBERSHIP MEETING OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

To Be Held at 8:30 O'clock—Directors To Be Elected and Other Important Matters to Come Up

Plans are perfected for the annual meeting of the Union County Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture to be held tonight in the Chamber rooms at 8:30 o'clock. The purpose of the meeting is principally to elect directors to fill any vacancies due to expiring terms and to elect officers for the ensuing term.

In addition it will be in the nature of a get-together meeting as so far since the reorganization process no general meeting has been held. Also the kindred organizations such as the Ladies Auxiliary and the Housewives' League and the Civic League will be present.

Refreshment in accord with the Win-the-War spirit of the times will be served. These have been prepared by the members of the Housewives' League assisted by the ladies of the home demonstration forces and will be served by the members of the Camp Fire girls. Informal remarks will be made by the members of the several organizations.

Notice has been given to the whole membership either by mail or in person and it is expected and urged that all who can possibly be present arrange to attend.

BAND CANNOT COME

The 54th Pioneer Band of Camp Wadsworth cannot come to Union this week on account of unavoidable circumstances. This is a great disappointment to the music lovers of this city, but the leader promises Union another date in the near future and anyway, to heal this disappointment the Red Cross committee has invited this band to come to Union Friday of next week and assist in the big drive.

GOING TO SPARTANBURG TO HEAR DR. AYERS

Quite a crowd of Union people will go to Spartanburg Friday to hear Dr. R. H. Ayers speak at the Y. M. C. A. building. Dr. Ayers did splendid work in Union in the interest of the Liberty Bond drive and is one of the most forceful as well as delightful speakers that we have ever heard here, and the Union folk will make any kind of a journey to hear him again. He is connected with the army Y. M. C. A. and is doing a wonderful work.

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE SATURDAY

Col. A. B. Gaston delivered a very strong address here Saturday morning at the Confederate memorial exercises. A goodly attendance of old Veterans was manifest, and the dinner served by the William Wallace chapter, U. D. C., was enjoyed by the soldiers and a few invited guests.

SOME CURIOSITY

We have had in our show window a freak potato vine. The vine has potatoes on one end and perfectly formed tomatoes on the other. Stop by and take a look at this freak; it grew in the garden of Frank Bobo.

FINE LETTUCE

Prof. Davis Jeffries brought the editor some fine lettuce which grew in Mrs. Jeffries' garden. The heads were white, and were enormous in size and very fine to the taste. Prof. Jeffries is indeed a fortunate man, if the rest of his garden is as fine as this sample.

J. J. Welch of Carlisle was in the city today.

German Raiding Detachment Off and Prisoners Taken By French

(By Associated Press)

PARIS, May 16.—Artillery action occurred last night on French front, south-east of Amiens and in the Hailles Castel sector, it is officially announced. West of Montdidier, the German raiding detachment were driven off. The French took prisoners in patrol operations on the north of Ailette.

Death Rate in National Army and Guards Camps Lowest Yet Recorded

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, May 16.—The death rate in the National Army and National Guards camps last week was the lowest since November, the surgeon general reported today. The total deaths was 162 against 168 the week before. There has been an increase of pneumonia and scarlet fever cases, it is reported.

Pershing May Command Certain Sections on Western Front

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, May 16.—The divisions on the western front where the American units are brigaded with the French and British will be under the American commanders wherever the American troops predominate. This is a plan which means that Pershing may soon be placed in command of the British and French units as well as his own Americans, and is regarded as especially desirable. It is expected to increase the size of the American forces on the fighting line.

Declines Election to Office of Bishop

(By Associated Press)

ATLANTA, May 16.—Declaring he was not persuaded that he had been called by the will of the Lord Jesus Christ to the office, Bishop-Elect Frank N. Parker today declined the election as Bishop at the Southern Methodist General Conference. He said the action was taken after 24 hours of prayer. Action on the declination was not taken by the Conference at this time. Rev. R. A. Boaz of Texas was elected secretary of Church Extension.

Ernest G. Baldwin Elected Honorary Commander Sons of Veterans

(By Associated Press)

WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS, May 19.—Ernest G. Baldwin of Roanoke, Va., was elected honorary commander in chief for life of the Sons of Confederate Veterans in a session of the executive council here. Baldwin has been called for foreign service. The office was created for him. Carl Hinton of Denver was elected to succeed Baldwin.

UNION SERVICE TO BE HELD IN FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SUNDAY NIGHT

Red Cross Campaign to Be Launched Then—Fine Speaker Coming

Developing with a fine enthusiasm, the plans for the union service to be held next Sunday night in the Presbyterian edifice, are going along.

Captain James L. Anderson, who in peace times is a Baptist pastor of first rank, will be the speaker. Song service with a union choir will precede the main service. Several solos are also arranged for.

Everybody is cordially invited to attend the service, take part in the singing and hear a message from a man who comes most highly recommended. The service is primarily intended to begin the campaign for the Red Cross effort the week following.

CAPT. O. J. MEYER OF LOCKHART BUYS THE LIMIT

First Man in County to Purchase the Limit of War Savings Stamps

Lockhart, S. C., May 10, 1918.

Editor Union Times:—As yet I have seen no honor club from Union County, I desire to place one name who has purchased the full amount of War Savings Stamps on last Monday from my son, Harold Hope, Capt. O. J. Meyer of Lockhart branch of Southern railway, who said when purchasing, it was for the support of his flag, the Stars and Stripes which he had been taught to love and honor by his father from his boyhood.

Yours truly,
W. D. Hope, Md.

RED CROSS NOTES

The work rooms of the Red Cross present a busy scene today; the members of the chapter are working hard to complete Union's quota of surgical dressings to be shipped to headquarters next week. Mrs. D. M. Eaves is in charge and working with her are Mrs. Dan Wallace, Mrs. H. W. Edgar, Mrs. Macbeth Young, Mrs. Spencer Rice, Mrs. P. D. Barron, Mrs. G. B. Barron, Mrs. E. Prioleau, Mrs. Ora B. Fant, Mrs. A. H. Foster, Mrs. Duncan Hames, Mrs. Ethel Smith and Misses Bobo and Eloise Beatty. In the afternoon Mrs. E. Prioleau was in charge and workers were Mrs. Dan Wallace, Mrs. Emslie Nicholson, Mrs. J. T. Sexton, Mrs. T. C. Duncan, Mrs. Macbeth Young, Mrs. W. W. Cooper, Mrs. D. M. Eaves, Mrs. Macbeth Young, Misses Elizabeth Arthur, Louise Zeigler, Mae Smith and Netta Cooper. Seventy-two gauze rolls were made Wednesday and the work is moving splendidly.

The Cross Keys auxiliary returned 500 shot bags beautifully made and completed this work in a remarkably short time. Union County is all right and this work will be finished on times if the men have to help sew.

The morning newspaper field in Chicago, according to the New York World, is the survival of the wheatst.—Daily Oklahoman.

The government has fixed a price of 5 1-2c a pound for cotton linters. Our hope is to be able to get a suit of clothes made of that material before the quotations are changed.—Galveston News.

A PROCLAMATION

Whereas, the national Memorial Day, May 30, has been designated by the president of the United States, in a proclamation, as a day of public prayer and fasting; and

Whereas, by a resolution of the congress of the United States, adopted on the 2nd day of April, last, the duty of a people in time of war, humbly and devoutly to acknowledge dependence on Almighty God, and to implore His aid and protection, is pointed out to the American people; and

Whereas, throughout the nation the national Memorial Day will be observed with religious solemnity and the offering of fervent supplication to the Almighty for the safety and welfare of our cause, His blessing on our arms, and for a speedy restoration of an honorable and lasting peace to the nations of the earth;

Now, therefore, I Richard I. Manning, governor of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim Thursday, the 30th day of May, a day of public prayer and fasting, and in accordance with the solemnity of the day, and the righteousness of the cause of liberty, freedom and civilization, I exhort the people of the State to assemble in their places of public worship, and to beseech divine guidance for those charged with the administration of the affairs of government, and for those charged with the guidance of our armies, and the blessing of Almighty God upon our soldiers and the comrade soldiers of allied countries who are fighting for human liberty and freedom.

It is especially urged upon the people of South Carolina that on that day the national holiday be observed by the closing of places of business, at least for the hours of church services, and that mayors and other local governing bodies and Chambers of Commerce in the various communities cooperate in planning for proper observance of the day.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the State to be affixed, at Columbia, this 14th day of May, A. D., 1918, and in the 142nd year of the Independence of the United States of America.

Richard I. Manning,
Governor.

By the Governor,
W. Banks Dove,
Secretary of State.

Rowland Thomas of Carlisle was a visitor in Union today.

REDA CROSS CAMPAIGN MEETINGS

A national campaign for the purpose of raising at least \$10,000,000 for Red Cross work among our men at the front will begin on Monday, May 20. Every cent of this money will be used for the relief of the sick and soldiers on the battle fields of Europe. In every phase of war activity Union County has responded nobly, and can be counted on again. The following meetings will be held in this county during the coming week at which the people will hear addresses on the subject of this Red Cross fund, and it is hoped that good audiences will be held promptly at 9 o'clock in the evening. Please keep the place and date in mind.

Monday, May 20
Carlisle, Page school, Howell school, Oakland school, Buffalo.

Tuesday, May 21
Mabry school, Lockhart, Cedar Hill school, Elford Grove school.

Wednesday, May 22
Bishop school, Sedalia school, Adamsburg, Sardis school.

Thursday, May 23
Santuc, Jonesville, Black Rock church, Tinker Creek school, Gault school.

Friday, May 24
Big rally and parade at Union.

Saturday, May 25
Cross Keys school, West Springs school, Kelly school, Carem school.

J. Gordon Hughes,
Chairman Speakers' Committee.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION

The U. S. Civil Service Commission will hold an examination for clerks and carriers on June 22, 1918 at Union S. C., to fill vacancies in the Postoffice in that city. The examination is open to all who meet the requirements. Application blanks and full information, including sample questions, can be obtained from the Secretary, Local Civil Service Board at the Postoffice, Union, S. C., or from the Secretary, Fifth Civil Service District, Atlanta, Ga.