



"TO THINE OWN SELF BE TRUE, AND IT MUST FOLLOW AS THE NIGHT THE DAY: THOU CANST NOT THEN BE FALSE TO ANY MAN."

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DAIRY FEED. We have just unloaded a car of Besto Dairy Feed, \$3.50 per sack. C. W. & J. E. BAUKNIGHT, WALHALLA, S. C.

OCONEE DEMOCRATS MEET.

County Convention Was Harmonious and Thoroughly Patriotic.

There was a good attendance of delegates from the Democratic clubs of Oconee at the County Convention here last Monday, the 6th.

J. Eustace Hopkins, of Seneca, was unanimously elected for the position of County Chairman.

Dr. C. M. Walker, of Westminster, was elected State Executive Committeeman.

Delegates to the State Convention were elected as follows: William J. Stribling, Dr. E. C. Doyle, Dr. C. M. Walker, J. Eustace Hopkins, Jas. M. Moss, J. C. Littlejohn.

Frank M. Cary, of Seneca, presided over the meeting both as temporary and permanent president, with H. R. Hughs as secretary, and J. E. Hopkins assistant secretary.

Patriotic Resolutions Adopted.

The following resolutions were unanimously adopted by the convention. The resolutions as they appear below were presented with but six paragraphs, but immediately upon the reading of the resolutions by the secretary Capt. J. J. Ballenger, of Richland, arose and said: "And I would like to have added as the seventh paragraph 'That we denounce any man who does not do this, and would vote to banish him from our country.'"

The Resolutions

Whereas, the government of Germany in the madness of its ambition for power has violated every international law for the conduct of civilized warfare; has trampled under foot every law of decency and every precedent for humane treatment of conquered peoples; has many times disregarded in a high-handed manner our rights; has insulted our flag; and has committed innumerable acts of war against us at home as well as upon the high seas;

And whereas, the President of the United States acted with the greatest forbearance toward the German government, and used every honorable means to save our country from the scourge of war;

And whereas, after all honorable means to avert war had been used to no avail, our Congress, under the advice of our President, on the 6th of April, 1917, was forced by Germany's continued depredation upon us to recognize a state of war as existing between the German government and the United States of America;

And whereas, a peace dictated by the German government would mean the end of civilization and individual freedom; a compromise peace without a complete defeat of the German military power, would be nothing but a postponement of the actual struggle into which the civilized world has been thrown by Germany;

Be it now, therefore, resolved by the Democratic party of Oconee county, in convention assembled, at Walhalla, S. C., this 6th day of May, 1918:

pendous effort that has thus far been put forth in this war for freedom and civilization.

Fourth. We urge our government to continue its policy of placing the full strength of the United States to the last dollar and last drop of blood into the prosecution of this war to a successful conclusion that the world may be rid of the German military government as a menace to its civilization and that our children and their children may enjoy free and untrammelled individual development in a free world.

Fifth. Let there be no compromise, however pleasing it may appear, but rather let us by stupendous effort and untold sacrifice, once and for all discharge our duty to the future by crushing this menace—the German government.

Sixth. To our brave boys who have gone and shall go into the army and navy to fight for this cause, we hereby pledge our support to the last dollar, if necessary, to arm and equip them in the most efficient manner for the glorious day of victory which we know awaits American arms.

Seventh. We denounce any man who does not do this, and would vote to banish him from our country.

DEMOCRATIC CLUBS.

Jordania Democratic Club was reorganized May 2d, when the following officers were elected: J. R. Veal, president; C. D. Hughes, vice president; W. J. Jones, secretary. Rev. W. M. Thompson was chosen as executive committeeman. M. M. Martin, Jas. Frady and W. L. Martin were chosen to represent this club in the County Convention.

Earle's Mill Democratic Club met last Saturday afternoon and elected the following officers: Elias Earle, president; W. J. Whitfield, vice president; W. D. Giles, secretary; Elias Earle, county executive committeeman. Enrollment committee, W. D. Giles, J. A. McPhail. Delegates to County Convention, Elias Earle, W. D. Giles, Berry Ables.

Meet and Organize.

To the Democratic Clubs in Oconee that Have Not Organized: Each Democratic club that did not reorganize on the fourth Saturday in April, as provided for by the rules of the Democratic party of South Carolina, shall meet on or Saturday, May 25th, and reorganize their clubs in accordance with the rules of the Democratic party.

Play at Taber—"Mrs. Tubbs."

A charming play, "The Tubbs of Shantytown," will be given at Taber school house next Friday evening, May 10, beginning at 8.30 o'clock. Following is the cast of characters: Mrs. Mollie Tubbs—Nellie Power. Miss Clingie Vine—Eva Spencer. Mrs. Ellen Hickey—Ruth Adams. Maydelle Campbell—Gordon Hunter. Simon Rubbels—Myron Merritt. Tom Riordan—Clide Merritt. Queenie Sheba Tubbs—Birtie Lee Power. Mothusalem Tubbs—Luther Balenger. Billy Blossom Tubbs—Harold Taylor. Victoria Hortensia Tubbs—Eunice Burdette. Elmira Hickey—Ollie Mae Merritt. No charge for admittance will be made, and the public is cordially invited to be present.

OCONEE AWAY "OVER THE TOP."

Bond Subscriptions Pass Allotment by Almost Hundred Thousand.

The Third Liberty Loan campaign is ended. Oconee has once more come boldly to the front and gone "over the top" with characteristic zeal and energy.

Table with bond subscription figures by district: Walhalla District \$93,000, Seneca District \$89,450, Westminster District \$89,250.

Total subscriptions \$271,700. Allotment for Oconee \$173,900.

Over the top \$97,800

Seneca's subscription does not include \$11,000 of subscriptions made at Clemson College, in that district, but which were subscribed for through banks in the lower part of the State and were, therefore, counted in other Liberty Loan divisions.

However, "there's glory enough for us all" in the magnificent showing made, and Oconee has kept pace with the whole of the Richmond District, of which we are a small part, exceeding the average excess over allotment by a fine margin.

The Walhalla District.

Below we give the names of subscribers to the loan who came in after the report was made last week:

- Through Bank of Walhalla. Addis, Mrs. Margaret. Addis, Jesse. Addis, W. T. Burton, Mrs. J. A. Brucke, Anna M. Brucke, A. W. L., West Union, 1. Barker, W. L. Craig, Mrs. W. R., Walhalla. Craig, Dr. W. R., Walhalla. Crayton, Jake, Walhalla. Craig, Julius. Craig, Sarah, Walhalla. Craig, Frank, Walhalla. Craig, Margaret, Walhalla. Craig, John F., Walhalla. Craig, Mrs. John F., Walhalla. Dyer, Mrs. Anna O., Walhalla. Duncan, Van, West Union, Rt. 1. Denny, Mrs. J. B. S., Walhalla. Ellington, Moses. Fischesser, Miss Minnie, Walhalla. George, James W. Gillespie, W. F., Walhalla. Hughs, Mrs. Anna C., Walhalla. Hill, Frank H., Cashier's, N. C. Hill, Mrs. Sarah F. Hughs, Marshall T., Walhalla. Heaton, Mack, Salem. Hand, A. Quince, Walhalla, Rt. 3. Hughs, Mrs. M. T., Walhalla. Ivester, Mrs. Wilhelmina C., Walhalla, Rt. 3.

- Johnson, Hulda, Walhalla. Knox, H. D., Walhalla. Knox, J. C., West Union. Mongold, Mrs. Mary, Mt. Rest. Maroney, Dr. S. S., Salem. McKinney, Z. T., Walhalla. McClure, E. T. McKinney, Ansel. Moss, W. D. Oelkers, Mrs. A., Walhalla. Perry, John D., Walhalla. Fell, Miss Hattie, Mt. Rest. Parker, Miss Annie, Walhalla. Quarles, Joe, West Union. Rankin, Miss Mary J., Tamassee. Rankin, Miss Catherine, Tamassee. Rankin, John J., Tamassee. Rankin, Miss Emma, Tamassee. Ritter, H. T., West Union. Ritter, Mrs. Bertha J., Walhalla, 2. Ritter, Mrs. Catherine M., Walhalla, Rt. 2. Ritter, Henry D., Walhalla, Rt. 2. Ritter, Herman J., Walhalla, Rt. 2. Shanklin, Edgar R., Richland. Schroder, Miss Annie, Walhalla. Smith, W. F. Thode, H. Frederick, Walhalla. Thompson, S. K., Walhalla, Rt. 1. Thompson, C. C., Walhalla, Rt. 1. Vaughn, J. P. Verner, Ebenezer E., Richland. Wilson, D. Z. Wald, Diederich D., West Union, 1.

Through Enterprise Bank.

- Addis, A. M., Walhalla, Rt. 1. Addis, Arthur, Walhalla, Rt. 1. Brown, P. R., West Union, Rt. 1. Busch, J. J., Walhalla, Rt. 2. Compton, J. B., West Union, Rt. 1. Dickson, Lee, Walhalla. DuBose, W. I., Walhalla, Rt. 1. Gillespie, C. L., Walhalla. Grubbs, R. W., Walhalla. Guernsey, Mrs. Mattie N., Walhalla. Herndon, E. L., Walhalla. Hughs, W. F., Walhalla. Hughs, Mrs. W. F., Walhalla. Hunicutt, C. M., Salem. Huskamp, W. J., West Union, Rt. 1. Kaufmann, Miss Lola, Walhalla. Kaufmann, R. F., Walhalla. Kelley, Lucille C., Tamassee. Maxwell, Mrs. J. H., Walhalla, 3. Mays, A. M., Westminster, Rt. 4. Medlin, V. S., West Union, Rt. 1. Moody, Mrs. Roseah E., Salem. Moore, Jackson, Walhalla, Rt. 3. Moser, J. L., Walhalla, Rt. 1. Moser, J. L., Jr., Walhalla, Rt. 1. Moser, Isaac, Walhalla, Rt. 1. Moser, Washington, Walhalla, 1. Neville, S. K., West Union. Owens, T. R., Walhalla. Owens, W. L., Walhalla, Rt. 3. Power, H. I., Walhalla, Rt. 1. Ramey, Thos. J., Mt. Rest. Rogers, E. L., Salem. Schultz, J. F., West Union. Schultz, Mrs. Esther, West Union. Schultz, L. J., Walhalla, Rt. 3. Seaborn, Mrs. James, Walhalla. Seaborn, James C., Walhalla.

BRITISH OFFICER WILL SPEAK

At Seneca Presbyterian Church To-Night in Interest of Red Cross.

An officer of the British army, Capt. Elgar, will speak in the interest of the Red Cross Society at the Presbyterian church in Seneca to-night (Wednesday) at 8.45 o'clock. The public of Oconee is most cordially invited to attend this meeting and hear from this officer much of interest in regard to the work of the Red Cross Society at the front and among the men of the armies, in the camps and in the trenches.

His appearance in Seneca will furnish an opportunity for the Red Cross workers of Oconee to get, first hand, much valuable information, and all are urged to attend the meeting.

There will be no collection taken up, nor will there be any solicitation of funds. This meeting is designed to inform the public on matters concerning the Red Cross work that could be obtained from no local source. Let every one who can do so attend and hear Capt. Elgar's recounting of first-hand facts from the battle fronts in Europe.

Robert S. Smith Dead.

Westminster, May 5.—Special: Robert S. Smith died on the morning of April 23 at his home in the Richland section. He was in his 68th year, and had been a sufferer for quite a while from a complication of diseases. He was twice married, first to Miss Fannie Keasley, and to this union one son and two daughters were born—Samuel W. Smith, who preceded him to the grave, having died in October, 1917; Mrs. Florence A. Holland, who preceded him to the grave, having died September 28th, 1917; Mrs. Kate Thomas, who died seven years ago. His second marriage was to Miss Lucy Miller, in 1887, and to this union four children were born—Mrs. Iler Kelley, of New Hope section; William Smith, of Greenville; Grady and Elmore Smith, who reside with the widow.

Mr. Smith was born in Oconee and had spent all of his life here. He was a member of the Methodist church, his membership being at Rock Springs. On the day following his death his remains were laid to rest in Poplar Springs Baptist cemetery, in the presence of many of his sorrowing relatives and friends. Rev. Martin conducted the services. The sympathy of many goes out to the bereaved ones in their sorrow.

Rainfall for Week.

Table with rainfall data for week ending May 5. Includes inches rainfall for various dates: April 29-Cloudy .08, April 30-Cloudy .48, May 1-Clear, May 2-Clear (frost), May 3-Clear, May 4-Clear, May 5-Clear (hot).

Rainfall for week .56

- Shanklin, Mrs. J. D., Westminster 4. Smith, H. S., West Union, Rt. 1. Strutton, Miss Annie, Walhalla. Wakefield, John, Walhalla, Rt. 3. Walhalla Methodist S. School. Walhalla Methodist S. School. (Class No. 6.) Whitmire, C. H., West Union, Rt. 1. Wyatt, Geo. C., West Union, Rt. 1.

Some Errors in First List.

Naturally there were some errors in the first list, printed last week, which was gotten up hurriedly. The Courier assumes responsibility for the unintentional omission of the names of J. C. Knox, of West Union, and Jas. C. Seaborn, Walhalla. We have checked up the lists furnished us last week with the list appearing in The Courier of May 1, and we find that aside from these two omissions, and the typographical error by which the name of L. N. Robins, of Mountain Rest, appeared as L. N. "Lobins," responsibility for errors, omissions, inaccuracies, etc., rests elsewhere than in The Courier office. That was our part of the "messaging up," which is more than offset by the "dressing up" we gave in order to prevent numerous other errors from being given publicity.

Fifth District Well Over Top.

Information received yesterday from headquarters in Richmond, Va., for the Fifth Liberty Bond District, in which South Carolina is located, states that the district quota of \$130,000,000 has been exceeded, every State in the district going "over the top." The amounts reported for the Fifth Liberty Bond District now total, as far as tabulated, \$135,814,450, with indications that the total will reach \$150,000,000.

Four Billions Raised.

The minimum set for the loan was \$3,000,000,000, and the people of the United States, by popular subscriptions, have exceeded the minimum by about 35 per cent. Official announcement, though not complete, gives evidence that the popular loan will reach in excess of \$4,000,000,000.

LIVENING UP ITALIAN FRONT.

Activities Indicate German Offensive in Italian Zone.

Geneva, Switzerland, May 5.—It is officially announced from Vienna that Emperor Charles, the chief of the Austrian general staff, and several high German and Austrian officers reached the Italian front yesterday. This, with the considerable movement of troops in the Tyrol and Trentino reported from the interior, is interpreted to mean that the long-predicted offensive on the Italian front will soon be begun.

Artillery Fire Intense.

Rome, May 5.—An increase in the intensity of the hostile artillery fire along the front, notably in the Lagarina and Astico valleys and in the Foss-Alta sector is reported by the war office to-night. The Italian artillery also has carried out numerous bombardments and there has been additional intensive activity by the Capronis and British airplanes, during which eight enemy machines were destroyed and many tons of bombs dropped.

The text of the official statement reads:

"There has been increased intensity of the hostile harassing force in the Lagarina and Astico valleys and in the Foss-Alta sector.

"Our batteries dispersed carrying parties in the Stelvio area, fired with good effect on the Roverto station, obtained direct hits on trains in the Conegliano station and caused a heavy explosion on the left bank of the Piave, opposite Nervesa.

"There were patrol actions on both sides between the Brenta and the Piave.

"The activity of our aircraft has been intense. Caproni flights and British airplanes, protected by numbers of chasers, dropped about nine tons of bombs on the hydro-electric works at Cavedin, north of Mori. While this operation was in progress other machines renewed the bombing of the aviation ground at Campo Maggiore, south of Lenico.

"Last night our airships, reaching by surprise the railway stations at Primolano and Bolseano, dropped their loads of bombs with good effect. At the same time an airship of the Royal Navy engaged enemy columns on the march beyond the Tagliamento.

American Artillery Speaks.

With the American Army in France, May 5.—During the last three days the American artillery in the Luneville sector has completely chased the Germans from their front positions and has wiped certain sections of the targets in the enemy rear area off the map. This is the same artillery that not long ago gave a similar performance in another Lorraine sector.

On the present occasion, so far as all investigation shows, the Germans have entirely abandoned the territory at least as far back as a point beyond their second line. The only signs that they are there at all are a few machine gun posts hidden in out-of-the-way places in the back areas, which cut loose when the opportunity offers. Just now, the German front and second lines are in about the same condition as No Man's Land, in which latter area the Americans are working more freely than ever before.

The sections affected by the work of these American artillerymen are the line south, southwest and southeast of Halloville. (This town is approximately 13 miles almost directly east of Luneville, and about six miles from the German border at its nearest point, to the northeast.) The American raiders have found that the shells had worked terrific havoc at many places plainly visible where the big projectiles from the heavy guns had fallen.

Drive for the Navy.

Greenville, May 2.—Editor Keewee Courier: I wish you would please put a little piece in your paper notifying the people of your town and community that we are having a big drive for the navy and naval reserve forces. All men in the draft age can get permission from their local boards to join the navy. We can accept colored men, and this station at Greenville can take as many men as we can get.

H. F. Heineman, Naval Recruiting Station, Greenville, S. C.

GERMAN OFFENSIVE NOT YET

Beginn in Force—Allied Armies Wait With Confidence.

New York, May 7.—Germany's hordes are still held in check. Neither in Flanders nor in Picardy, nor along the important Arras sector has the enemy renewed his attacks in force, and he has not reacted against the gain made north of the Somme by the Australians, in which more than 200 prisoners were captured.

On both battle fronts, however, the artillery fire has been most intense, and the German attack cannot longer be delayed if the enemy hopes to take advantage of whatever damage has been done to the allied positions by the heavy bombardments carried out by his guns since the repulse north of Mont Kemmel more than a week ago. The greatest German artillery activity has been on the northern half of the Flanders front and south of the Somme to below the Arve in Picardy.

American troops in their positions south of the Somme have been subjected to intense artillery fire, the enemy using more than 15,000 shells, mostly gas, in a short period. There have been no signs of German infantry attacks against the Americans, who confidently await the first signs of awakened activity.

A large part of the southern end of the important Arras sector has been taken over by Canadian troops, who also are being visited by a storm of German shells. French generals believe the Germans may attack simultaneously on the Flanders, Arras and Amiens fronts in an effort to push the allies back in one mighty blow. The hill positions, however, are held by the allies and their guns dominate the Germans all along the line.

The Austro-Hungarian blow against the Italian front has not developed. Rome reports only moderate artillery fire and no infantry activity. The Austrians, however, may be waiting for the most favorable moment, probably the renewal of the German drive in Flanders.

American Troops Arriving.

Paris, May 7.—American troops are continuing to arrive on the front in force. Premier Clemenceau told Marcel Hutin, editor of the Echo de Paris, on returning from a two days visit to the front. The premier brought back, he said, a feeling of confidence in the invincibility of the entente forces.

PARIS SECURELY ENTRENCHED.

Gen. Foch Has Been Busy—Taking No Chances on Slip.

Washington, May 4.—Gen. Foch, commander-in-chief of the allied armies, is taking nothing for granted as to the ability of the Franco-British-American line to hold on the western front.

While the people of two continents have been speculating anxiously as to the whereabouts of Gen. Foch and the inter-allied army of maneuver, the commander-in-chief has not been idle.

Twenty-seven lines of trenches, it is disclosed, have been constructed recently between the battle front in Flanders and the city of Paris.

Paris First With Foch.

Foch, it was stated, has determined to attempt nothing in the way of a counter offensive until assured beyond doubt there existed between the enemy and Paris an impenetrable line of defenses.

The character of resistance offered the enemy around Ypres and other sections of the line during the week gives reason to believe that the Germans are already beginning to blunt their swords on Foch's defenses.

So elaborate, indeed, and extensive are the defenses thrown up by Foch before Paris that it is stated the capture of the French capital has been rendered almost impossible.

In the arrangement of the trenches and the durability of their construction the French commander has taken a leaf out of the book of Hindenburg, who, according to reports, has erected series after series of trenches all the way back from the German front to the Rhine.

May Become Privates.

Washington, May 4.—Educational institutions entitled to send quotas to the new officers' training camps opening May 15 have been notified by the War Department that all candidates will revert to the rank of private if their divisions are ordered to France before completion of their course. This step is necessary, it is said, because of the uncertainty of the continuation of divisional camps in France. Candidates who are unwilling to meet this condition may withdraw their applications.