Generally fair Thursday and Fri-

The man who is too busy to advertise

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HONESTY OF MAN AT

WHOLE NUMBER 39.163

COMMANDER OF PRINZ EITEL ASKS THAT THE WASHINGTON GOVERNMENT INTERN VESSEL

Last Night That Time Limit Was Nearly Up.

EXPECTED NAVAL AID

Will be Interned at Norfolk Navy Yard Until End of the European War.

Allies Kept Guessing Until the Last Minute.

Newport News, Va., April 7 .- Commander Max Thierlchens of the German auxiliary cruiser Prinz Eitel Friedrich, asked the United States government through port authorities here liquor interests. tonight to intern his ship and crew for the war. Up to the last moment the came he explained that failure of "exliver crew and ship to fruitless and certain destruction" by British and liquor question will be an issue in the or under obligations to the liquor inginia Capes.

shipyard here where she has been laid up since limping into port on March stroying voyage from the Orient dur-William P. Frye to the bottom.

Late tonight Admiral Fletcher, commander of the Atlantic fleet which arrived in Hampton Roads today, took Bryan said; charge of the situation. A conference

time for his stay in this port would tors and also directly as they vote upexpire at midnight tonight and that he on the prohibition amendmnet. must leave American waters by 4 o'clock in the morning of April 8.

Had Announcement Ready.

Determination of the German commander to intern his ship immediately operated to lift the American embargo gainst merchant ships of Allied Euopean nations leaving this port. More sels which had been cleared but held up were immediately permitted to leave port and customs houses at Newport than a score of British merchant ves-News and Norfolk were kept open until 10:30 o'clock tonight issuing clearances. Captains of British merchant ships clamored for clearances about the customs offices and scores of ships were sailing for the Capes long before

Actual internment of the Prinz Eitween Rear Admiral Beatty, comnandant of the Norfolk navy yard, Rear Admiral Helm, of the battleship Alabama, and Collector Hamilton, would be accomplished tomorrow, the sea raider to be taken to the Norfolk havy yard at Portsmouth, Va. There CONDITIONS breech blocks of her guns will be removed and connecting rods of her engines will be detached.

tructions from the Washington govnment late today. When he reached the Eitel Friedrich, he found Captain Phierichens awaiting him. The German officer did not wait to hear the message from Washington but handed to him a sealed envelope containing announcement. The letter was as

inform you I intend to datern M. S. Prinz Eitel Friedrich. The reded not tot deliver crew and ship to wide interest here today. fruitless and certain destruction. Being obliged for the courtesy shown for

pecting your orders. ear Admiral Helm, U. S. A. Alabama. "Respectfully,

"THIERICHENS." ransmitted to Assistant Secretary of because they believe there is less like- either the Democratic or the Republi-Treasury Peters at Washington lihood of attacks on the old tanks at can party, but there is no reason why M. B. Sawyer, of Elizabeth City. was a spirit of gloom pervading Tampico. nofficially he stated that he had republic. never intended to intern if it were possible to prevent it, that he had hoped thus clear the way for his return to Duplin county.

Didn't Want to Intern.

Served With Imperative Notice BRYAN IRGES DEMOCRATS TO WAR ON LIQUOR INTERESTS SITURATION IN IOWA STATE

> Secretar of State Makes Public a Letter to Democratic Natio Committeeman of Iowa, Regarding Prohibition Issue in That State—Democrats Urged to Vote for Principle and Not for the Man.

> > fact, the liquor interests have already

ruled out one good man because he is

'dry'. The only way in which the sen-

make my opinion on the subject mani-

fest by casting whatever influence I

had in favor of the selection of offi-

cials who would not be controlled by

terests, but would be positively and

the family-against all that is good in

er, every distiller, or every saloonkeep-

to oppose the influence that dominate

makes itself the champion of the nob-

"Whenever a moral question is rais-

it, unless the party is willing to sell

its soul for a support which cannot be

more than temporary and which can-

not be accepted even temporarily

"It does not matter much what par-

ticular individual is chosen as national

committeeman, but it matters a great

would be far better to take an obscure

man who is right on the liquor ques-

tion than a well known man who is

unknown man ceases to be unknown

from his cause; whereas individual

opinion, you may say that in any con-

be greatly disappointed if the Demo-

cratic party in Iowa does not throw

the weight of its great influence

against the liquor interests, and all

Mr. Bryan's Statement.

nington explains itself. It was being

urged in behalf of one candidate that

I favored his selection. When this

was brought to my attention I felt that

if my opinion was desired, it ought to

for that opinion should be stated so

know what weight, if any, to give to it

this fact is so clearly understood by

ers of the wet element of the Demo-

those opposed to the liquor traffic can-

of fact, the liquor question now being

before the people of Iowa, it could not

"I do not know to what extent the

liquor question will be an issue in the

the national committeeman should not

belonged to the drys.

lignore it.

"Prohibition is an issue in Iowa and

Secretary Bryan's statement follows:

'The letter to Committeeman Ken-

that they stand for or desire."

when he becomes the exponent of

without the forfeiture of public re-

lest principles and the best policies.

Washington, April 7 .- Secretary | mitteeman should represent the atti-Bryan tonight made public a letter he tude of the party on this question; in had written to L. W. Kennington, Democratic national committeeman from Iowa, expressing the hope that timent of the party can be made evi-Iowa Democrats would take a stand dent in advance of a convention or an election is for each person to vote as for prohibition and vote against offihe thinks if he acts as an individual or, cials who could be controlled by the as his constituents think, if he acts as

In a statement given out with the letter, Mr. Bryan said he hoped to see German skipper kept up the appear- the Democratic party take the prohibiance of being ready for a dash to sea, tion side wherever the question is raisand when the time for decision finally ed and that if the liquor interests inpected relief" to arrive had made it lection of a national committeeman the people opposed to the liquor traffic could not afford to ignore it.

"I do not know to what extent the French warships awaiting off the Vir- campaign next year," Mr. Bryan added. "At the present time it does not seem definitely committed to the home as probable that it will find a place in the against the saloon. The brewer, the relson Tomorrow the commerce-raider will platform of either the Democratic or make her last cruise of the war. She the Norfolk navy to the Norfolk navy national committee men should not represent the sentiment of the party on this subject, as on other subjects.'

Mr. Kennington had written Mr. Bryan that his name was being used in er is consciously conspiring, but the eling coal at Tucson?" Mr. Garrelson ing which she sent the American ship behalf of a candidate for the national business in which these men are en-

In his letter to Mr. Kennington, Mr. will be held early tomorrow between statutory prohibition and has also sub-Admiral Fletcher, Rear Admiral Helm mitted to the people a prohibition and Rear Admiral Beatty and Collector amendment to the constitution. It be-Hamilton, acting for the Treasury De- comes necessary, therefore, for the vot- party can only hope for success when partment, to arrange details of the in- ers of Iowa to act upon the liquor ternment before the Eitel Friedrich is question, both in choosing another legislature and in voting upon the amend-The German commander delivered his ment submitted. The Democrats of announcement in writing when Collec- lowa, constituting a considerable portor Hamilton boarded the Eitel Fried- tion of the voting population, mast rich with an imperative notice from take action upon this subject both ten the Washington government that the the nomination and election of legisla-

"I take it for granted that the Democratic party will act upon the subject in its state and local conventions, Before the customs collector had a and even if it does not, the individual hance to deliver the message from action taken by the members of the Washington Captain Thirichens handed organization will, to a greater or less o him the written announcement of extent, commit the party on this subiect and thus affect the party's strength in the state.

As to National Committeeman. "It is proper that the national com-

BETWEEN ARMIES

el, it was arranged in conferences be- For Control of Railroad From Mexico City to Border.

Collector Hamilton received final in- Duval West, President Wilson's Personal Representative in Mexico, is Now in the Capital City Conferring With Leaders.

Washington, April 7 .- Advices indicating that a battle was imminent which would decide whether the Villa-Zapata forces were to control unmo- cratic party in Iowa objected to a very ef I expected appear not to arrive lested the railroad route from Mexitime so the number and force of co City to the border, or General Obrerange to the bay makes to me im-Possible the dash to the open with- off the Northern troops from commubut any hope of success. I have de- nication with the capital, attracted

Officials attach much importance to I nited States authorities, I am ex- the outcome of the contest expected to be ignored in the selection of party ofbe fought about Queretaro where the ficials no matter which side desire to have sent the same information to two armies have been concentrated. Fighting continues near Tampico, but indications are that both sides have drawn on their forces there to campaign next year. At the present While Collector Hamilton read the strengthen their lines about Queretaro. time it does not seem probable that it shouncement which he immediately That has given officials some relief will find a place in the platform of

commander's cabin which spread | Conditions at Mexico City City are represent the sentiment of the party over the ship. Officers and crew unchanged. Duval West, personal on this subject as on other subjects, opinions of the ship. Officers and crew unchanged. President Wilson, has "Prohibition is not an issue in all follows: hierichens, himself, declared that the arrived there and will confer with the the states, but wherever it is an issue, he had been forced to take made Villa-Zapata officials. His mission is I hope to see the Democratic party and costs of the appeal divided; Batts arch rose from the divan with alacrity the future and the banks alone are exsick, that he was heartbroken to understood to be to report comprehen- take the prohibition side. be compelled to resort to such a step. sively on conditions in all parts of the "It cannot ally itself with the liquor son, affirmed; Stanland vs Rouark, dents in a democratic fashion at the

tives today 124 to 106. tion but it pays to do so."

BOTTOM AND AT TOP Railroad President as Honest Now as When Shoveling Coal.

President of Illinois Central Railroa Testifies Before Federal Commismission on Industrial Relations at Chicago.

Chicago, April 7 .- A colloquy about the honesty of the man, who, starting at the bottom, advances to the head of a great railroad, as compared with one who becomes the head of a great organization enlivened today's session of the Federal Commission on Indus-

H. Markham, president of the Illinois president of the Order of Railway Conductors, and a member of the commis-

"The strike of the shopmen of 1911 on the Illinois Central and other so-"The liquor question is a moral quescalled Harriman lines," Mr. Markham tion and our party's hope of success in "really grew out of the atthe states of Iowa for years to come tempt of the American Federation of will, in my judgment, depend upon the Labor to organize the crafts of each railroad system, and it was opposed egardless of cost.

"The proposed organization was a seto a logical conclusion it would have left the railroads and industries along their lines, helpless in the hands of a

"The railroads are in the hands of a

Checked by Responsibilities. "But they are checked by their re-

the stockholders. laws and to the public," the witness ly interested in the human aspect of industry and desirable in government. replied. "Are you, Mr. Markham, any more

gaged is the enemy of progress and civilization and they are not in position are greater."

"When it comes to the honesty of the

it. Those who represent the liquor in- few men who control most things, is a The legislature of lowa has voted terests are conscienceless in their man less tones, because he chooses frame of mind. Many incidents relatmethods, they debauch the individuals to rise through the labor arm of the ed by the correspondents brought to through whom they act, and any party railroad business to the presidency of the Sultan's face smiles of satisfaction, to which they dictate. The Democratic a union, instead of to the head of a railroad company?"

"No essential difference hypothetically but the history of the Knights of tanie was reached by the Allies' shells LEHON APPEALS TO Labor, the American Railway Union appeared to be of special interest to and similar organizations have been his majesty.

of the railroad received his most sym- nervous in Chanak Kalessi by the exputietic con: (cation and that ne had plosions of large shells which impellno objections to unions such as the two ed him to stoop at every detonation brotherhoods of Enginemen or the and how an old inspector, who also Conductors, as they were all railroad was retreating touched him on the arm men but unions which include both each time saying "yock kismet." The railroad and non-railroad craftsmen Sultan was much amused and touched

or immoral side of the line that separates the forces that are soon to engage in political battle in Iowa. It would be far better to take an obscure wrong on the liquor question, for an

strength and personal influence dwin-Selects J. L. Gibbs as State dle into nothingness under the blight of an unholy alliance with an immoral Fish Commissioner. "If, therefore, anybody asks you my

test between a 'wet' and a 'dry' candidate for national committeeman, I am E. H. FREEMAN MEMBER for the dry candidate, and that I shall

> New Hanover Man Appointed as Required Republican Member of Board-Supreme Court De-

(Special Star Telegram.) Raleigh, N. C., April 7 .- Governor Craig announces the personnel of the be given to all and that the reasons that the Democrats of Iowa would the liquor forces that one of the leadappointed for terms ending June 1, health for many years. 1917; T. F. Winslow, Perquimans counexcellent man on the ground that he ty, W. M. Webb, Carteret county, and Marshal von Der Goltz iron crosses of E. H. Freeman, of New Hanover coun- the first and second classes, with "If the liquor interests insist upon ty, for terms ending June 1, 1919. Mr. which he intended to decorate his ings and settling balances between are following the king's example and making the question an issue in the selection of a national committeeman, Freeman is the Republican member re-

not well ignore the issue. As a matter mission to elect J. L. Gibbs as fish commissioner and explains that Mr. Gibbs was appointed by him as shell fish commissioner two years ago and has made good in that position; that Mr. Gibbs is a brother-in-law of Senator Simmons, but that the senator really advocated strongly the appointment of

> Supreme Court Opinions. The Supreme Court delivered 13 opinions this weekly delivery day as

vs. Thompson, defendant's appeal, Wil- and shook hands with the correspon- pected to complete it interests without losing its moral Brunswick, no error; Powell vs. Pow- beginning of the audience. standing and the moral standing of a ell, Robeson, reversed; McRainey vs. Washington, D. C., April 7 .- Repre- party is the thing that gives it perma- Railroad, Robeson, new trial; Herring baghohek Palace, Brig. Gen. Salih Pa- banks in payment of balances, the idea the arrival of German forces to do sentative George E. Hood has recom- nent strength. A surrender to vice or vs. Atlantic Coast Line, Pender, no er- sha, the Sultan's first aide de camp, being that it will become largely a surrender to vice or vs. Atlantic Coast Line, Pender, no er- sha, the Sultan's first aide de camp, being that it will become largely a largely with the British and French mended William E. Fussell for apimmorality seldom gives even a temporor; Bank vs. Wilson, Cumberland, no acting as marshal. Salih Pasha rerary advantage to a party but the French nowhere were
rary advantage to a party but the correspondents and enterthis clean to the suitable of th temporary advantage could be secured al., Robeson, affirmed; Guthrie vs. City tained them with huge cigarettes and demands it. by such a course, it would be at the of Durham, reversed; Lloyd vs. Town coffee. A little later a court official Hartford, Conn., April 7 .- A woman expense of the permanent welfare of of Venable, Orange, no error; Motsin- announced that his majesty was ready Would like to have gone to sea suffrage amendment was rejected by the party. It is not only right for a ger vs. Sink, Forsyth, new trial; King the commander Thierichens de- the Connecticut house of representa- party to take the moral side of a ques- vs. Mayberry, Surry, affirmed; Mc-(Continued on Page Two)

VEILED IN ABSOLUTE SECRECY SULTAN OF TURKEY GRANTS AN AUDIENCE TO NEWSPAPER

MEN; CONFIDENT OF SUCCESS

ITALIAN WARSHIPS ARE NEAR

ADRIATIC; MOVEMENT OF FLEET

Mehmed V. Believes Allies Will Never Force the Dardanelles— Well Posted Concerning Developments, and Eagerly Follows Description of Operations-No Doubt as to

the Outcome of Turkey's Part in the War.

Hague to London—"I am convinced the Dardanelles cannot be forced. The brave conduct of the Turkish troops in the recent operations permits me to conclude that although the Allies use every means at their disposal they will be unable to achieve their purpose."

Thus spoke Mehmed V, Sultan of Tur-The Sultan throughout the audience expressed the greatest confidence in Turkey's ability to withstand the on rious menace," he said, "and if carried slaught of the Allied forces, and followed with keen interest a description of the Allies' operations of March 18. against the Dardanelles forts, given by the correspondent of the Associated Press, who acted as spokesman for

The Sultan's discussion of the bombardment showed that he was well informed on the affair but he was greatthis tremendous action. What was the effect of the enemy's fire? What imhonest now than when you were shov- pression was made upon the mind by the Turkish troops and what was the fate of the population of the towns "Not a bit; but my responsibilities near the forts bombarded? These were eager questions the Sultan asked. In Cordial Spirit.

Mehmed V was in a most cordia appreciation and amusement. How the correspondents had been obliged to make a hasty retreat when Kale Sul-

When one of the correspondents told Mr. Markham declared the employes the Sultan that he had been rendered the newspaper man on the shoulder and explained that the use of the word 'kismet" was improper under such circumstances, and that "kader" should

have been used. His majesty asked of the sinking of the French warship Bouvet and the British battleship Irresistible. That the former had disappeared within three minutes brought a look into the kindly gray eyes of his majesty as if ne regretted that so many human beings had perished without a chance to

The Sultan then asked if his troops appeared happy and contented. The answer brought a new smile of satisfaction to his face.

Luck is Efficiency. "It has been said that it was luck that made our victory on March 18 so complete and great," he remarked "but be in the Turkish have a saying 'Luck is infatuated with the efficient.'

"It appears unjust to me that the Allies want to force the Dardanelles and take Constantinople just to import foodstuffs from Russia. But our army and coast defense forces have shown their ability and willingness to do their duty. I am speaking here not alone of the Turkish defenders of the Dardanelles but also those Germans who so efficiently and bravely co-operated with them.

"I would thank you if you would say for me that my admiration for the State Fish Commission which he ap- is so great that it is impossible for me points under the provision of the Fish to express in words my high opinion Commission act of the recent Legisla- of their valor and efficiency. Concerning the chief commander, Emperor ture. Ed Chambers Smith, of Raleigh, William, I can only say we in Turkey and A. V. Cobb, of Bertie county, are pray that he may enjoy the best of

The Sultan was informed that Emperor William was sending with Field majesty and the Sultan appeared highy pleased.

"I am proud of being presented with Governor Craig also directs the com- medals which decorate so many brave men," he said. So far the sultan had occupied himself entirely with recent developments

> present, he said: Welcomed Americans.

can journalists had an opportunity to it was first considered several months lowing description of the fighting in witness the attempts to force the Dar- ago a committee of governors and France between the rivers Meuse and danelles. I value the opinion of neu- members of the board spoke of \$25,000,- Moselle: trals highly and wish to express the greatest satisfaction that the relations hoped at that time would be put up deploy, the German outposts retreated between the United States and Turkey by the Treasury Department, but in re- according to a prearranged plan, from are so cordial."

pean style and finally a splendid stair- charges made for clearing checks.

Constantinople, April 7, via The way with crystal ballisters was as cended to the second floor where his majesty was awaiting in a private par-

> Nothing from the Orient. The audience was somewhat remarkable because of the absence of any. thing to remind one of the Orient. The sultan was seated on a divan but arose upon the entry of the correspondents. He then invited the mto seats which highest officials are usually left stand-

His majesty expressed his pleasure at meeting men-who had been in the Dardanelles and, on behalf of the journalists, the Associated Press correspondent thanked his majesty for the cordial reception. This done, the sultan started the conversation with the remark: "Kindly relate your experiences during your stay on the Darda-

of health. He wore the conventional midable is the Conte Di Cavour, which red calpac, or fez of Turkey-the em- corresponds to Great Britain's Queen blem that all Ottomen are equal-a Elizabeth. low white collar, grey cravat, blue Future move able cut but no jewelry.

decorated in a manner that seemed to be a compromise between Turkish and Western art. In the grate crackled a cheerful fire. Although located almost in the cen-

ter of Galata-Pera, on the Bosphorus, the palace is quiet owing to the fact that it is cut off from the streets by large gardens, laid out mostly in Ital-

This was the first audience granted by Mehmed V to American newspaper

THE SUPREME COURT Private Detective Working in Leo M Frank Case at Atlanta.

Washington, April 7.- Dan S. Lehon, him of constitutional rights, but reinforcements. abridged the constitutional rights of was employed

murder of Mary Phagan.

Gold Fund at Washington.

Federal Reserve Board Makes Aunouncement of Final Step in Clearing System Between All Reserve Banks.

OPERATION IN MAY

Washington, April 7 .- The Federal German army. serve banks for the creation of a gold be taken, but announced no decision. fund in Washington for use in clear-

become effective next month. tablishing the clearing functions of the liquor until the war is over. Federal Reserve System will have been taken. Federal Reserve banks already in the Dardanelles. Addressing him- are clearing for member banks in their self to the American correspondents own districts.

It was said tonight no agreement had been reached on amount of the "I am pleased to see that two Ameri- gold fund to be deposited here. When art of the \$25,000,000, it was cent discussion the question of a gov- Regnieville and Fey-en-Haye to their Although in his 71st year the mon- ernment contribution has been left to

The audience took place at Dolma- gold from Washington to the various

The Reserve banks will be allowed

Fleet the Finest in History of Country—Several Mighty Dreadnoughts.

NOW READY FOR ACTION

Battles on Both Fronts in Europe Rage, But Results Are Unknown.

To Renew Bombardment of Dardanelles Soon.

On the Italian Frontier, April 7, via Paris-The warships of the fleet departed suddenly from the Mediterranean naval stations at Spezia, Gaeta and Maddalena Island. was an unusual honor, for all but the They concentrated at Augasta, Sicily, and at Taranto. They are thus within

a few hours of the Adriatic The departure of the warships caused profound impression, particularly at Spezia, where until last Sunday the harbor was crowded with dreadnaughts, cruisers and torpedoboat destroyers while the town was filled with

officers and sailors. Italy now has the finest fleet in her history. It is headed by several new The sultan seemed to be in the best dreadnaughts, of which the most for-

veiled with absolute secrecy. It is asserted that only the king and one or The room was extremely plain, but two of the highest officials are acquainted with plans decided upon.

SANGUINARY ENGAGEMENTS.

Carpathians Still the Scene of Desperate Fighting-Reports Meagre. London, April 7. - The Carpathians

in the East and the hilly country be tween the rivers Meuse and Moselle in France continue to be somes of sanguinary engagements, but little or no news is forthcoming of the progress of the battles.

Except in the Uzsok Pass, in the Carpathians, where the Austrians, assisted by Germany, are offering stubborn resistance, the Russians are said to have crossed the first range of mountains. and can look down the southern slopes toward the plains of Hungary. It is rivate detective, today appealed to the asserted that part of the army which Supreme court from his conviction for has crossed the mountains is maneuviolation of the Atlanta, Ga., ordinance vering to get behind the Austro-Gerrequiring private detectives to be li- mans holding the Uzsok Pass. The censed. He contended that the ordi- Austrians admit conditions are bad, and nance as enforced not only deprived they are anxiously awaiting German

The Austrians also are fighting in Leo M. Frank, by whose friends he Bukowina, but this is a secondary operation. The engagements in progress Lehon was arrested while investigned in Northern Poland, where the Russians ing the conviction of Frank for the are trying to push back the Germans into East Prussia also appear to be unimportant.

French en Offensive. Between the Meuse and Moselle the French are on the offensive, attempting to force the Germans to give up St. Mihiel. The German official report claims all French attacks were repulsed but a semi-official statement from Berlin says that according to a "prearranged plan the German outposts retreated from Regnieville and Fey-en-Have." The French some time ago reported the capture of the towns and Federal Reserve Banks to Have since claim to have made almost daily

> The Belgians have regained some ground they lost in Flanders, but elsewhere there has been no change in the Although no announcement has been

made, the general expectation in miliand sea attack on the Dardanelles will begin shortly and that at the same time the Russians, now apparently in command in the Black Sea, will bombard the Bosphorus forts.

In Africa, General Botha's Union of South Africa forces continue their victorious march along the railways, but thus far have not overtaken the main

In. England the drink question remains uppermost in the minds of the people. The cabinet met today to discuss what governmental action should

Meantime, hundreds of public mea those banks. The plan is expected to are banishing alcoholic liquors from their households. Churches are mak-When the fund is create, and put in ing a plea to the people that they at operation the last important step in es- least take the pledge to abstain from

DESCRIPTION OF FIGHTING.

Germans Fall Back, According to Prearranged Plans-French Retreat. Berlin, via London, April 7. - German headquarters has issued the fol-

"When the enemy's infantry began to

"The French attack against the southern front, at first to the north of will be no actual large movements of Toul and then in the forest of LePretre began simultaneously with attacks against our north wing, south of the Orne and between Eparges and thrown back.

"The severest fighting took place beto count the gold contributed to the tween the Meuse and Apremont, where, Then followed a long march through fund as part of their reserves and will in the wooded country, the French were magnificent halls decorated in Euro- receive some interest on it through able to approach close to the German

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