Fair Saturday and Sunday,

S TORE NEWS just now, with the opening of Fall, is unusually interesting: In these pages are seen unusual bargains.

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IS GERMANY TO ASK PRESIDENT WILSON'S EFFORTS FOR PEACE?

Story in New York Post Says Ambassador Gerard is Bringing Request from Kaiser

SOURCE IS "TRUSTWORTHY

American Envoy, It is Said, Will Lay Request Before the President Within Week

DOUBTED IN WASHINGTON

Bernstorff Declares He Knows the Report is Untrue

New York, Oct. 6 .- The New York Evening Post today published a story saying that it has been learned from a trustworthy source his way back from Germany, will lay before President Wilson a rewith the Allies.

"Germany has definitely decided to apply to President Wilson." the article reads, "to use his good offices in suing for peace with the of the Progressive and Independent Allies. This was learned today from sources in a position to have absolutely trustworthy information on these matters.

"It is understood that Ambassador James W. Gerard, who is on his way over here, will lay the Wilson within a week."

Washington, Oct. 6 .- Ranking officials of the State Department said today they had no information to indicate the German ambassador, declared he self that Mr. Gerard was coming home

knew positively that it was untrue. While the department does not believe Mr. Gerard would accept so important a mission without notifying his government, it is realized that available means of communication between Washington and Berlin are very hazardous where delicate subjects are involved. The ambassador, it is felt might be especially reluctant to attempt to communicate with the department regarding a matter as important as peace proposals, with the risk that his messages might fall into the hands of

It was declared, on the other hand, that the Washington government would authentic word of it had reached any one in the United States. The German ambassador would not discuss the story beyond saying it was untrue, but he was very emphatic in his declaration that he had information positively disproving it.

Officials at the State Department today said that only a specific request for mediation by one of the belligerents would bring about an effort by this country to effect European peace.

There is a growing conviction among some officials that a military peace brought about by almost direct negotiation between the belligerents will be the probable outcome of the war. Both groups of belligerents are thought to be opposed to negotiations by a third party.

GOVERNOR CRAIG AND PARTY GONE TO KING'S MOUNTAIN Governor Stuart, of Virginia, to Speak at Celebration Today.

Raleigh, N. C., Oct. 6 .- Governor Craig and his staff left this city late today for King's Mountain, N. C., to take part in the annual celebration tomorrow of the battle fought at that place during the War of the Revolution. Governor Stuart, of Virginia, who will make the principal address at the exercises, with his staff, will join the North Carolina party at Salisbury.

The King's Mountain celebration yearly draws hundreds of persons from North and South Carolina. The battle is looked upon as the turning point in the war, because it prevented the British General Ferguson from joining Cornwallis at Guilford Court

V. C. ENGINEER COMPANIES TO

Funston Also Announces Positions of Other Guardsmen.

Washington, Oct. 6 .- In a message to the War Department today Major General Funston said that the North and South Carolina engineer companies, recently ordered to the border, would be stationed at El Paso. Of the Virginia Erownsville.

HEAR MR. WILSON

Delegation of Progressive Voters FOG CAUSES THE ACCIDENT Will Also Attend Meeting Today at Shadow Lawn

Is Convinced Me Has Chance of Carrying Several Middle Western States Hitherto Thought Certainly Republican.

Crest Line, Ohio, Oct. 6 .- (On board President Wilson's Special) .- President Wilson plans to make the second strict- and so far as can be learned no one ly political speech of his campaign in seriously injured. Shadow Lawn tomorrow afternoon bethat Ambassador Gerard, now on fore members of the Woodrow Wilson hanging over the harbor. The City of Independent League. Returning from Norfolk was outward bound, and car-Omaha, he will arrive at Long Branch ried in the neighborhood of one hun at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning and dred passengers. The majority were quest that the President use his at once begin preparations for receiv- at supper when the crash came. Great good offices in suing for peace ing the more than 2,000 independents excitement prevailed for a few minexpected to attend by a group of Progressives, led by Hugh Gordon Miller, of New York. The President will seek to show that because of its legislative achievements of the last three years the Democratic party more than the Republican party deserves the support

> The President is returning to Shadow Lawn convinced that he has a good chance of carrying several Middle Western states hitherto thought certainly Republican.

Telegrams were received by the President today praising his selection of Major General Goethals, George Rublee and E. E. Clark as members of feet of water. She sank stern first the new 8-hour board.

The run through Iowa, Illinois, Ohio Kaiser's request before President and Indiana today was made with but few stops. Several times the President stepped to the rear platform of his private car but his schedule had not been announced in advance and the crowds were small.

Mr. Wilson was told tonight of pubthat Ambassador Gerard is bringing now en route home from his post in Berlin, was bringing suggestion that the United States make a new movement for peace. The statement was ropean war, and were inclined not to authorized that the President knew of believe the story. Count Von Bernstorff, no such mission. Recently he said him-

only for a vacation. Count von Bernstorff; the German ambassador, has an engagement to see President Monday to present a letter from the German emperor on Polish

WIFE WITH BABE IN ARMS IS SEARCHING FOR HUSBAND

Rocky Mount Man, Hunting Work, Mysteriously Disappears.

(Special Star Telegram.) Richmond, Va., Oct. 6 .- Fearing that some harm has befallen him, Mrs. H. Mount, N. C., came to police headquarquarters today with a three months' old baby in her arms and asked the police to help locate her husband, who She said that he left Rocky Mount a week ago in quest of work and that she had heard nothing from him since, although he kissed her good-bye, saying, "Sweetheart, & will be sure to let you hear from me in a day or two."

King is a machinist, 42 years old, and until recently was employed in the Atlantic Coast Line shops at Rocky

MRS. HUERTA AT EL PASO.

El Paso, Texas, Oct. 6 .- After com-

ing here heavily veiled and with only a few knowing of her visit, Mrs. Victoriano Huerta, widow of General Huerta, once provisional president of Mexico, yesterday placed a wreath at the entrance to her husband's tomb in Concordia cemetery. She departed for Cuba today, according to her attorneys. The utmost secrecy was maintained regarding Mrs. Huerta's visit. She made no formal claim to, the \$18,000 deposited here for those who, with her husband, were arrested in connection with the alleged neutrality violation conspiracy in June, 1915. She was accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Elena Quiroz.

COTTON \$82.50 PER BALE

Prices at Mobile Exceed Those During

BE STATIONED AT EL PASO than New Orleans. At the local price a 500-pound bale is worth \$82.50. This makes each bale bring, the farmer \$106.50.

"FRECKLES" O'BRIEN DEAD

Former Bantam Weight Boxer Dies in Poverty at New Orleans.

New Orleans, Oct. 6 .- Walter "Frecktroops Company A, engineers, a signal les" O'Brien, of New Orleans, who 20 company and a field hospital company years ago was champion bantam weight they were successful. ton, while the first squadron will go to tuberculosis at Charity Hospital here

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Hawkhead Goes Down in Fifteen Minutes When Struck by Bay Liner City of Norfolk

Passenger Liner Also Was Badly Damaged-All Aboard the Vessels Were Rescued

in the inner harbor shortly before steamer Hawkhead, said to have been at anchor, was sunk and the Bay liner City of Norfolk of the Chesapeake Steamship Company's line, was badly damaged. There was no loss of life

The accident was due to a heavy for utes, but was quickly quieted by the

Fearing that the damage to the steamer was greater than could be ascertained, the passengers on the City ferred to the Old Dominion river steamer Pocahontas, where they remained onl yafew minutes when the majority were transferred to the outcontinuation of the voyage up the bay. About fifteen of the passengers elected to return to Norfolk.

The Hawkhead sank about 15 minand the vessel's bow is still visible from the piers. The small boats from the City of Norfolk, the Pocahontas and other harbor boats in the vicinity rescued all on board the tramp.

The bow of the City of Norfolk was crushed for ten feet, but the bulkheads held well and she remained afloat. She is declared to be in no danger, although it will be necessary to send her to the ship yard. The Norfolk returned to her pier with the assistance of the company's tugs, rushed to the scene. Except the statement that the harhave not given any cause for the col-

ALL PASSENGERS ABOARD

Compton, of the Chesapeake Steamship cratic policy and in condemnation of Company, said tonight that there were the former policy of the Republican City of Norfolk, and that all had been saved. He said Captain Thomas, of the City of Norfolk, had reported to him now control and in none of which is that in a dense fog the City of Norfolk interest charged on average balances. rammed and sank the Hawkhead which was anchored out in the Norfolk chan-

Captain Thomas signalled the river steamer Pocahontas which took off all them to the Florida, of the Old Bay no panic, Mr. Compton said, but the city of Norfolk had her bow bodly damaged. She has returned to Norfolk.

Burgaw, N. C., Oct. 6 .- Pender Suall the business that was ready for adjustment, Judge Connor leaving for his home at Wisson that evening.

ASHEVILLE SUFFERS \$300,000 FIRE LOSS

Tannery Finishing Plant and Big stock of Leather Burned

One of Greatest Fires in History of the Mountain Metropolis-Blaze Occurred Yesterday Morning Early Million Dollar Concern.

Asheville, N. C., Oct. 6 .- One of the

greatest fires in the history of Asheville occurred at 1 o'clock this morning when the entire finishing department of the Hans Rees Sons' tannery, with all the finishing machinery and Mobile, Ala., Oct. 6-Spot cotton clos- an immense stock of leather, was toed in Mobile today at 16.50, exceeding tally destroyed by fire. The loss of the prices obtaining during the Sully the company is variously estimated at boom. Mobile was 57 points higher from \$300,000 to a half million dollars. endowment fund for St. Mary's school fired eight shells at the Strathtay in The origin of the fire is unknown. It among Episcopalians and other friends was discovered shortly before 1 of the school in North and South Caroin addition to \$24 for the o'clock, and the Asheville fire depart- lina, St. Mary's school being the paro- torpedo, after giving the crew 15 minthe flames had gained such headway Smith head two teams that are to car- flight and rescued the crew. that all the efforts of the firemen were ry forward a sort of whirlwind cam- The American embassy here has no in vain. Fortunately there was no paign for this fund the next few days. knowledge of the identity of the Amwind, or the entire plant would have been destroyed. The firemen's efforts

See the Big Games as Played, at Star Office

On the big score board in front of The Morning Star office, this afternoon will be shown play by play the great baseball classic that is being staged on Braves' Field in Boston between the Red Sox and

One minute after Johnson or Hooper swings at one of Leonard's or Marquard's wicked shoots, the board will flash the news to the fans of Wilmington. Right here on Chestnut street you can see with the aid of The Star bulletins and a little imagination Zack Wheat waving that terrible bat of his, while "Babe" Ruth heaves one over with the speed of a catapult.

Here you can almost hear the roar that sweeps the field, when the Boston rooters break into their famous song of "Tessie" and hear the crashing echoes when the Brooklyn Royal Rooters return the challenge.

The first matinee will promptly at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The score board will be in front of the building while a stentorian voice will announce the results so as to keep the ardent fans from making a mistake in the results. For those who will be unable to attend the matinee, all telephone calls at either No. 61 or 51 will be promptly and courteously answered.

Shows That Linney's Attack i Really Commendation of Democratic Policy

Policy Advocated by Linney Has Been Practiced for Years by Democratic Administrations, But Never by Republicans.

(Special Star Correspondence.) Raleigh, N. C., Oct. 6 .- A. J. Maxwell; Frank Linney, Republican candidate

Mr. Maxwell repeats his presentation of the fact that, while Mr. Linney is charging interest on average balances bor was enveloped in fog, officials of public funds carried in the banks, State administration in 1915 without and that Mr. Linney's campaign is therefore in commendation of Demopolicy of the Republican party in several counties of the State which they Taking up the national phase of the

subject, Mr. Maxwell "juggles" some

figures and facts to Mr. Linney's undoing from this viewpoint. He says: "In all the years the Republican party controlled the national administration no interest was charged on the millions of dollars carried in active accounts with banks all over the country and again in the large banks in the inactive accounts, which in all the perior court adjourned for the term years prior to 1912 only amounted to on Wednesday afternoon, finishing up \$810,623. In 1913 Secretary McAdoo, of the present administration, required daily balances carried by the government in all banks in the country, and ment in all banks in the country, and this order resulted in the collection, in the first three years of the Wilson administration of three and a half milevery speech Mr. Linney is making he is glorifying the policy of the present State and National administrations and ncidentally condemning the record of his own party in county, State and Nation. If Mr. Linney's friends believe This is Report of Officer and Men he is right on this interest question they should vote for Woodrow Wilson, T. W. Bickett and Ben Lacy."

Women Taboo Prizes The Raleigh Woman's Club has just cast a majority vote to discontinue card tournaments in which prizes are offered. There was an effort, also, to get a motion through discontinuing the practice of letting the use of the splendid new club building for dances, but the majority stoutly contended for the propriety of the dancing feature of the social life of the club. The club took in 34 new members at the same meetng in which the differences as to card is just getting settled in its splendid new home on Hillsboro street. Mrs. Clarence Johnson is president of the

Rev. Francis Osborne, of Charlotte, is spending the week here helping along a local movement to raise \$25,-

Osteopaths in Session. The North Carolina Osteopathic Sowere finally directed toward saving cietyeis holding a two days' session in the balance of the plant, and in this the Senate chamber here with Dr. William E. Crutchfield, of Greensboro, pre-

They are Driven Back by the Aus trians and Germans Along a Front of Fifty Miles

RETREATING AT ONE POINT

Heavy Fighting Continues in Dobrudja-Russians Keeping Up Lemberg Battle

Turning against the Rumanians who had been advancing steadily in eastern Transylvania, Austro-Hungarian and German troops have defeated the invaders decisively along a fifty-mile front. North of Fogaras, at the juncture of the Homosod and Alt rivers, near Reps. the Rumanians are in retreat, pursued y the Teutonic troops.

The successful repulse of the invadat the hands of General Von Falkenhayn, former chief of the German general staff, and who only last week routthe Rumanians around Hermannstadt and drove them back to their own frontier. North of Reps the Austro-Hungarians re-captured positions and took more than 200 prisoners. Buch arest admits that the Rumanian troops in eastern Transylvania have, been withdrawn before attacks by superior forces in the region of Fogaras.

In Dobrudja heavy fighting continues along the line of the Constanzaucharest rallway with Bucharest recording progress for the Russians and Rumanians in the center and on their

While General Brussiloff apparently has ceased, at least for the moment, his attacks against the Austro-German. lines in Volhynia, west of Lutsk, he continues southward his assaults with great intensity against the positions of the Teutonic allies guarding the approaches to Lemberg, capital of Gali-Although the Russian attacks were held up northeast of Lemberg, those to the southeast of the capital, according to Petrograd, resulted in said: Brzezany and the capture of 500 prisall Russian attacks in Galicia have been repulsed and that the Austro-Germans have taken 1,200 prisoners from the

tinue to advance. The British troops that crossed the river Struma northeast of Saloniki have taken the town of Nevolyn, which was evacuated by he has shown that this policy was the defenders. South of Monastir, Serbia, violent fighting in the region of the Allies. the Cerna river is reported by Paris. .The artillery continues active on the Somme front in France, according to the reports from the war offices of all

the belligerents. A delayed report from Constantinople ells of the rout of Russian troops northwest of Hamadan, Persia. Tribesmen in Ispahan, says Constantinople, not be allowed to succeed. Russians from the city. Petrograd, on in harmony with the American protest tomorrow morning. the Russians west and southwest of Trebizond, in Armenia.

ARTILLERY DUEL CONTINUES

BETWEEN THE ANCRE AND SOMME Berlin, Oct. 6 .- The official statement of today, referring to the western front, follows:

"Army group of Prince Rupprecht: The artillery duel between the Ancre In conjunction with three futile attacks made during the morning immediately east of Ancre, there developed lively hand grenade encounters which (Continued on Page Eight.)

SUNK BY A SUBMARINE?

on French Torpedo Boat

Rescued by a French Torpedo Boat.

Paris, Oct. 6 .- According to the commanding officer and men of a French Strathtay, sunk on September 1, while on her way from Newport News for Glasgow was destroyed by a submahave been on board the Strathtay.

Evidence given by all the men on 000 toward the quarter million dollar the torpedo boat is that a submarine ten minutes and then sank her with a ment responded to a hurry call. Nine chial school for the two Carolinas. W. utes to abandon the vessel. It is said lines of hose were laid to the fire, but H. Williamson and Dr. Charles Lee the torpedo boat put the submarine to

the Strathtay.

WITH FAIR WEATHER PREDICTED, WORLD'S SERIES OPENS TODAY

Says England is Anxious to Restore Ancient Friendship and Trade to Old Footing

DEFENDS THE BLACK LIST

Surprise That Swedish Statesman Made No Allusion to American Protest Against German U-Boat Atrocities.

London, Oct. 6 .- "We are anxious to estore to its old footing the ancient friendship and commercial intercourse between 'the two countries," declared ers on the southern end of the line was Lord Robert Cecil, minister of war trade, today in an interview with the Associated Press, in which he replied to the recent statement of Premier Hammarksjold, of Sweden.

To the assertion of the Swedish premier that Great Britain is arbitrarily into fresh negotiations for a trade Sweden's requirements which he admitted are greater now than before sic tomorrow. The optimism and fighther industries. The minister of war trade declared

violates no rule or law of equity. After saying that he was glad to unshaken. read the premier's statement that solely by that kingdom's own necessaries and future welfare and not for sight. While sanguine as to the outany partisan reasons, Lord Robert

cate the rights of all nations to develop themselves freely and unhindered by the menace of military aggression. We ask no favors from neutrals. filled to capacity, the registers show-But we do ask that they should not | ing hundreds have come from the Mishinder our belligerent rights in the sissippi Valley and the South to witlife and death struggle which we and ness the games. The weather forecast our allies are waging.

"The prime minister states that he is opposed to any mediation by Sweden, gathered outside the wall of Braves at present as it might compromise Field for an all night vigil. Germany and arouse the suspicion of

to speak, but for ourselves and our morrow morning and it was apparent allies, I can say that we, who do not that these sections would be wish this war and who entered it re- hours before the game begins at 2 p. m. luctantly, are determined now that we are in it to obtain a victory which will insure lasting peace by showing the called-for allotments, every reserved enemy that wars of aggression will "The prime minister says that he is

the other hand, reports progress for against the blacklist, but I observe with some surprise that he makes no seats that not many are offered for rage upon the commercial interests of | be refused at the last minute. neutral nations. Hundreds of neutral merchant vessels are now on the bot- cure even two seats reaped a profit of tom of the seas, thousands of tons of more than 100 per cent. upon their incargo have been destroyed, and all | vestment. Even this was a dangerous reasons.

"Peaceful citizens of all countries nd of both sexes have been foully murdered at the bidding of German nilitarism. Others have been mutiopen boats to the fury of the seas. It is strange that these matters should made that the infield fly rule of the two have been forgotten.

KNOTT GETS NOMINATION

Petitions For Recount of the Primary Votes Are Refused.

Tllahassee, Fla., Oct. 6.-The State Supreme court here late today refused | this city are to be played. Every playpetitions of both W. V. Knott and Sid- | er except Capt. Jack Barry and George ney J. Catts for reccount of primary Foster, who will not participate in British Steamer is Said to Have Had returns in certain districts, leaving the series, owing to injuries, reported Knott with the certificate for the Democratic nomination for governor of showed that they were on edge. Florida. The certificate was taken from Catts by the tSate canvassing arrived this evening, accompanied by board after a recent recount showed some of the newly formed "Brooklyn Knott 35 votes ahead throughout the Boosters Club." Manager Robinson

he first count, has declared his inten- vading club was met at the station by torpedo boat , the British steamship tion of running for governor in the No- | a large crowd of local fans who cheervember election, and claims to have endorsement of Prohibitionists. Republicans, usually a negligible factor in Florida state politics, have announced rine. American citizens are said to they will make active efforts this year rency and there were a few moments to elect their gubernatorial nominee,

KITCHIN SAYS DIFFERENCES

Says He is Impelled to Support President Enthusiastically.

tive Claude Kitchin, chairman of the House Committee on Ways and Means, follows: Connelly (American), behind erican citizens said to have been aboard | declared in an address here tonight | the plate; O'Day (National League), on that he had "swallowed the differences | the bases; Dinsen (American), left The Overseas News Agency of Berlin and myself at the last Congress." "Evsaid on September 30 it was able to an- ery impulse in my being impels me to expressed confidence in the ability of The Hans Rees Sons' tannery is a siding as president. There were spe- nounce on competent authority that the forget those differences and to support | their teams to win the series but there

Every Hotel in Boston Filled to Capacity; Hundreds From the South are There

Hundreds of Men and Boys Were on Vigil Outside of Braves' Field Last Night

GAME TO START AT 2 P. M.

Both Teams are Confident of Taking First Contest

PROBABLE LINE-UP.

Brooklyn: Johnson, rf. Hooper, rf. Daubert, 1b. Janvrin, 2b. Walker, cf. Myers, cf. Wheat, lf. Hoblitzell, 1b. Cutshaw, 2b. Lewis, 1f. Gardner, 3b. Mowrey, 3b. Olson, ss. Scott, ss. Carrigan, c. Meyers, c. Marquard, p. Leonard, p.

confidence in the ability of its home ton awaits the opening of the 1916 clasthe war, owing to the development of ing spirit of the Brooklyn team, which arrived tonight, added interest to the incidentally that the British blacklist impending struggle but the faith of the local fans in the Red Sox remained

The betting tonight is at odds of 10 to 7, with little Brooklyn money in come, the Boston enthusiasts expect the National League representatives to put up a determined struggle.

Every Hotel Crowded. Every hotel in the city is tonight for tomorrow is propitious.

Tonight hundreds of men and boys

As in past years, the gates leading to the unreserved sections of the stands "For Germany I am not in a position | and bleachers will be opened early to-Seats All Sold.

With the exception of a few unseat was sold out tonight, and these will be snapped up immediately after So great has been the demand for

allusion to his attitude concerning the sale by speculators. President Lannin, American protest against German sun- of the Boston club, stated that he had marine atrocities, surely a far graver been forced to buy back, at a premmatter for neutrals. The German sub- | ium, some tickets which he needed for marine policy is in one aspect an out- friends who had applied and could not Speculators fortunate enough to se-

this without any pretense of judicial proceeding. Several were arrested inquiry and often for the most flimsy during the afternoon for trafficking in the tickets at advanced prices. Soon after Presidents Ban Johnson, ed from New York today the positions lated. Others have been exposed in of the umpires for the opening game were assigned and the announcement

leagues would be observed under Am-

erican League regulations when the

clubs were playing at the Boston park

and under the National League code FOR GOVERNOR OF FLORIDA at Brooklyn park. Teams in Good Shape. All the Boston club players were out for practice during the afternoon t Braves Field, home of the local National League club, where the games in

The Brooklyn players and officials said every member of his team was in Catts, winner of the nomination on shape and expected to win. The in-

> ed the players. Some Lively Wagering. Some of the Brooklyn rooters were willing' to back their club with cur-

of lively wagering. Boston adherents expect to see Rube Marquard go on the mound for the Superbas tomorrow and even money is the best offer that local supporters WITH WILSON ARE FORGOTTEN | will wager even though Lenoard is expected to be Manager Carrigan's choice

for the initial battle. If Leonard pitches, Outfielder Casey Stengel will not be in the Brooklyn Durham, N. C., Oct. 6 .- Representa- line up. The umpires will be stationed as

cropping out between President Wilson | field; Quigley (National), right field. League presidents and club owners