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GERMANS FAIL TO

# BALFOUR SENDS HIS GERMANS FAIL TO REGAIN LOST POSITION; EARTHQUAKE SHOCK TEST VALIDITY OF SEGREGATION LAW FIRST REPORT OF ECONOMIC SITUATION IN GERMANY SERIOUS AT UMBRAI SAID TO HAVE DONE DAMAGE The Supreme Court Today RECEPTION IN U.S.

WASHINGTON TURNS OUT EN MASSE TO GREET BALFOUR



Balfour and Lansing, in limousine at right, leaving Washington Union station; Balfour and Lansing snapped outside the station on the former's arrival.

Thousands of people crowded around the Union station in Washaround the Choice station in Wash ington to witness the arrival of Arthur J. Balfour, British foreign minister, and his party. Secretary of State Lansing met the party and was photographed with Mr. Balfour. In order that there might be no untoward incident, dozens of mounted police rode beside the limousine carrying the distinguished visitors to their quarters.



## HEARINGS ON THE BOTH RATE INCREASE **BY GERMAN BOATS**

London, April 27. - German destroyars etneked Ramsgatednot night, according to official automacconcit issued by the car office

A large number of shelb were fired out the destroyers were driven off by the fire from the land batteries.

TWO KILLED IN



WATON LINE DOOMED BY ALLIED FORCES

Economic Situation in Germany Becoming Serious. Labor Trouble Expected on May Day. World's **Greatest Battle in France** Still Undecided.

The desperate efforts of the Germans to drive the British from the captured heights on the Arras front have failed after four days of the bitterest fighting that the world has seen since the bloody days of Verdun. Tens of thousands of Germans were burted forward again and again only to recoil, blasted and withered from the inferno caused by the British fire.

Military critics expect that the at tacks will be renewed again if the German man power can stand the awful. drain. They face this expectation on the great strategical point of the blood soaked heights which the British have wreated from their foes. These hills crown the great plain of Doual and their unmolested retention by General Haig smills almost certain doous to the es Its Ginal State in Both Wotan line, the last protecting barrier

lefore Doual and Cambral. In the full of the great battle the marmur of the rising currents of discontent which are sweeping through Eu rope can be heard more plainly. The political and reconomic storm which has Washington, April 27 .- Debate on the been brewing in Germany has appar ently not been averted by the hasty measures of the government. The meaduring that week it is expected the rail marning. The House met at noon today ing nervousness over the threatened reads will but in their case. Henringt to hear summing up speeches. After that the recent strike has not been as-

Rome Dispatch Said to Indicate Severe Loss of Property and of Life

MANY ARE KILLED AT MONTERCHI BY QUAKE

constitutionality of a Louisville, Ky., ordinance establishing residence zones The Province Damaged Is Directly North of Devastated Abruzzi Region, the court's decision in the present ense Which Lost Heavily in the **KENTUCKY FARMERS** Eearthquake of January 13, 1915.

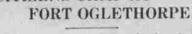
Landon, April 27 .- A violent earth quake in Tusenav and Umbria is re, ported in a Rome dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company to have on encred on Thursday morning. Many persons are reported killed at Monter chi, considerable material damage is also reported.

The province of Umbria is directly The province of Umbria is directly north of the province of Abrazzi which attend a conference called by Governme was devasted by the tremendous earth. Stanley to formulate a program for exquake of January 13, 1915. In this tending humanial assistance to farmers lafter disaster 24, dod people lost their in enlarging the production of food lives and 50 towns and villages were crops in this state wiped out. PLAN TO IMPROVE

# CITIZENS CAMP AT

Raleigh, N. C., April 27 .- During the Camp at Fort Oglethorpe will be car ried on briskly in an effort to rectuit 25,000 men from North and South Car. of na and Tennessee. A local committee was organized here vesterilay after, noon and the division secretary, Mr. R. W. Gleen, of Greensborn, is to be assisted in the work by Mr. W. T. Javnet.

It is the hope of the committee that at least one hindred men will go from -Raleigh to Fort Oglethorpe. The gosernmont plans to have 25,000 men in spoil its flavor, and to give a high bre enough there he Max. Sth and one third torial count by the time it reaches to of this number is expected from North. Carolina. These men to be selected will be of commission calibre and arfor three month's intensive training, 10,000 of the last men will be scherted as officers for the army of bulf million. men now being mixed. Of the remain affect all wilk place in them and reing 25,000 as many as prove them, does solves fit will be commissioned and true. placed on the reserve list from which list it is probably that future officers. Will be drawn. The opportunity for getting a commission, therefore, with



With the object of improving the mil upply of the small dairymen the Healt? next ten days recruiting for applicants Officer Dr. Braswell-has made arrange ments with the dairy division of the I'mfed States Department of Agrica ture to demonstrate a simple homemad sils. The demonstrations will be held in the offices of the Health Department

with department show that unsterlip ed wilk cans, pails, -ranger clocks, at separator parts contaminate clean mil-and tend to make it sour quicklys to ity. Ordinary washing of the atensi is not effective, as experiments show that as many as eight billion bacters may remain in a milk can washed in the usual manner. Unas ordinaria washes further many millions of bacteria which

Expect Note to Be Published Soon. Washington, April 27 .- Arthur J Balfoux, head of Great Britain's expe dition here, sent today his first report of the reception neurded the commis

First in London But Is

**Cause Rejoicing** 

He Talks Enough to Let Is

Be Known That Report

Will Be Enthusiastically

**Received** in Great Britain.

sion and the progress of negotiation which it was started by the committe would be very joyons news for the Louisville, Ky., April 27 .- Approxi-British committee. mately 500 bankers from all sections of

the Ward Segregation Act Note To Be Made Public

Washington, April 27,-Validity of WANTS ALL PEOPLE

was argued today before the Supreme IN NATION TO KNOW

Regulating Negro Abode

The test case heard was that upon the

Atlanta, Richmond, Baltimore, St outs and many other eities have simi

ordinances whose fate depends upo

TO BE AIDED BY

BANKERS

MILK SUPPLY

in Cities.

white and negroes.

This, Mr. Balfour's first report, will be made public through the Lombon of heint press hurrent. Mr. Balfour, it is stated, is eager to

make the whole situation a matter of popular interest and mowledge in the country and to lay before not only the wo governments, but before the preand poeple all the news, except that o unval government operatons.

### IMPROVEMENTS FOR NORFOLK SOUTHERN

Norfolk, Va., April 27.—Stockholders of the Norfolk Southern Railmad have been called to most at 11 u'clock Monday morning to authorize a note ssue o \$1,000,000. Although no definite infor-mation could be obtained last night, i is understood that this amount is to b put in new equipment and in improv inent of existing roadways, J. H. Young predicat of the company, is out of the city. Other officials said yesterday that they were not in a position to say jushow the funds will be utilized. The new issue will be in the form o

three year, 6 per cent collateral trus gold notes, to bear date of April 1, 1917 They will be secured by the Norfol Southern and by the Central Trust Conpany of New York, as trustee

### RECRUITS WANTED



Number of Shell on English Coast Town. Driven Off by Land Batteries.

## FOR CITIZENS CAMP

Raleigh, April 27.-Information has been sent out by R. W. Glenn, formerly



The Teuton Destroyers Fire The Railroads Are Expected The War Army Bill Reach-

to Present Their Case on May 7th. Hearings Are to Be Continued Later in the Month.

was army bill reached final state in Con-Washingtun, April 27.—Hearings on the general increase in freight rates will be held before the Interstate Com-increase commission, beginning May 7th, will be 'resumed May 23

at service time as a private is won-

cations may needy to Mr. Joyner at steam enough to steruze ordinary dairy 5012 Citizens National Back Building utensils: thus milk has a chance to and those outside the city should address or apply to Mr. Glean, N. C. di vision socretary for the Military train. ing Camp Association, whose headquar ters are at Greenshoro.

### BARACA-PHILATHEAS TO MEET IN WILSON

Wilson, April 27. The Wilson county Raraca Philathea convention will be held at Marsh Swamp Rapfist church rear Rock Ridge, Saturday and Sunday rext. The spenkers will be Rev. J. Edward Alleaton, of Warrenton, Rev. R. E. Pittman, of Lacama, and Miss Lola Long, of Greensboro.

#### COTTON MARKET

New York, April 27 - Catton opened 18.65.

market opened steady tuday at an ad- held at the home at 2:30 Sunday, follow cance of one point on May but generally | ed toy the funeral at St. Paul's Episco-4 to 10 points lower under scattered pal church, conducted by Bishop Joseph selling. May ease I off with the rest of Blourt Cheshire, of Raleigh, and Bishop the list, selling down from 19.88 to Rondthaler, of this city. A service will sold off to 19.60 and October 18.53 or terment will be made. about 6 to 10 points under last night's close. Trading was quiet.

#### THE COTTON MARKET CLOSED

New York, April 27.—The cotton mar-ket closed: May, 20.16; July, 10.05; October, 18.94; December, 18.01; Jan mary 19.01.



New York, April 27 .- A firm undertone prevailed at the beginning of to ing. day's operations, important stocks showing a disposition to rally from yes NEW CORPORATION terday's late selling movement. Metals equipment and shippings led the advance, the latter being feverish because of the ahandonment of the British Carolina Chemical arose apreaciably, with Reading and Union Pacific gen-

division secretary for the Plattale derful and the training is without any which apparatos can be purchased for the officers reserve camps, that camp Local men descrots of filing appli-s.00 or best this apparatus generates will not be held this summer at Plaits

reach market in a satisfactory condition. Mills is examined by the health officer, Dr. Braswell from time to time and th sults of such examinations are put ished monthly for the benefit of the utilie. Records of all examinations are filed at the health department and incroation will be gladly furnished rela tive to the milk produced by the local http://www.

#### HON. J. C. BUXTON PASSES AWAY

quietly at his home in this city yester lay morning at 8:10 n'clock, aged 64

cents, after an diness insting since Oecher, when he represented North Carolina at the general convention of the Episcopal church at St. Louis.

iving an Mrs. Buston, Mrs steady. May 1988; July 19-40; Octa L. Edwards and Mr. Cameron Buxton her 18.58; December 18.60; January of Inflas, Texas, who will arrive Satur day afternoon, and Miss Anna Buxton, New York, April 27. The cotton of this city. A short service will be

COMMERCE MASS



FOR DURHAM

BOMBARDMENT. movement, now division secretary to London, April 27 -One man and one

woman were killed during the bombard ment and one man and two women were burg as was planned; there will be a volunteer citizens training camps. In injured, Damage was done 21 dwelling stead there will be held at various points in the country training camps for applicants for commissions in th TERRY MUST GO will be sent the applicants from North TO ELECTRIC CHAIR Carolina, South Carolina and Tenness

will be held at Fort Oglethurpe, Ga, Twenty five hundred men will go to that Raleigh, April 27. J. A. Terry lose

place the first week in May having ob-lighted themselves to remain in train the days Supreme count decisions and ing for the three months and at the end the Guilford slaver of John R. Stewart that time to nevert such a commissi July 15, has year must go to Backett

sion in the officers reserve corps as shall for marry be officeed to them. Provision has been. No case Winston Salem, April 27.—Han, John Cameron Baxton, one of the leading lawyers of North Carolina, passed away No case carried to the highest court for the three manths' service, but that instanty. The higher court simply finds matter is now receiving the attention nothing on which to base a receiving of Congress and payment will probably and in every exception it gives com be provided for before the terms of plete credit to dudge Webb in hi 上日小餐 service begins.

anlings. As to the insanity plea the Before being admitted to this Ogle thorpe camp an applicant must press a runs over the acted homicide and the initiatetory physical examination and nust satisfy an examining officer that he possesses a good character, a good ec-ucation, and the ability to handle men, was the approach. The court thinks runs over the acted homichle and the

that is he bust show that he is commis-sion calibre. All men who have made deliberate and premediated murder and application for admission to Plattsburg although the plen of insanity is strong or who have applied for commissions in the supported by evidence it is power the afficers reserve should take notice fully combatted by the state. The jury the list, selling down from 19.85 to 19.77 shortly after the call, while July has hold at Salem graveyard, where by 19.77 shortly after the call, while July has hold at Salem graveyard, where by

novements have been supplanted by this par court finds no reviewable error new training camp movement. The barden thrown upon the defend I not in the establishment of instantly is correct, the court says.

### PLEADS FOR PARDON JOSEPH ZEMAR

"Rocky Mount leads the way every day." Just how this is to be accomplished Bickett has received an urgent appeal is to be the chief mple for discussion at from Mrs. Callie Christy of Houston.

FOUND GUILTY Greenville, N. C., April 27 .- Joe Ze mar, the Hurgariao, who murdered his wife at Phetolus about three months

the big mass meeting of the members of Texas, in the interest of executive the Chamber of Commerce to be held elemency for Sam P Christy, now serv the Chamber of Commerce rooms on ing a life sentence in the state priso ngo, was found guilty of murder in th second degree by the Superior cour jury Wednesday alght. The penalty Friday night, May 4th, at 8 p. m. Let for the morder of the husband of bla every member give evidence of his in Ball Warren, who with Christy, harely terest in the development of Rocky eserved the electric chair ranges from ten to thirty years in the escaped the electric chair. Moont by being present at this meet The Texas woman to whom Christy ponitentiary.

Zemar's trial was of but short dara was married after he fiel from North Carolina and from whom he was drag-ged to face triabfor his life in this state tion. The defense was rather weak and apparently confined their efforts to savhas a firm fatth-rin his sinnogenee, ing the Hungarian's life. This they judging from her letter. succeeding in doing. The jury took the

ense av six o'clock Wednesday evening "I feel it is my duty to write you in Raleigh, N. C., April 27 .- The Hester egards to my husband Sam Christy as and returned at ten o'clock with their

blacklist. Central Leather and Virginia Carolina Chemical arose apreaciably, with Reading and Union Pacific gen-erally irregular and inactive Many initial gains were lost in the first half proposes to manufacture cotton mill Flynt "that if people knew what she held proposes at one did, Christy would not be in prison."

# NEGRO BEING HELD

Wilmington, N. C., April 27,-Oscar Johnson, the negro convict trus y, who was accested into Tuesday afternoon th the erime.

who was Walton's companion on the waated exception in favor of men in nonneement from Berlin that large aum-alget of the tradedy has identified the indicary enprovment changed so that the of men previously exempt from mil-angles as being the man who killed her the changing of such powers should not companion and then attacked her, is in the hands of military men.

cence in the mails of the people, is the fact that the advances of the ght in question, together with Miss Desideou's present nervous condition, night make her ability to recognize her assulant somewhat deficient. Then too, there is some difference in the WEIT

ay simply hearing him speak or after

mean that the officers are not at al sure that the man is guilty. Exdead of night, a gracsome journey that free tremors of fear, the prisoner still pro tested his innormal

Those who claim to be exspects it the psychology of the negro suy that had Johnson been guilty, he would never have ridden eight miles through the country on a mile tomeet the

GREAT RAISE IN DEMURRAGE RATE

#### Washington, April 27 .- The railroad

a' the country and the chief shipped presents dia the National Industrial ie'e tengue have agree upon a 100 per in this county, are aroused over the actions of a stranger who is traveling | Champagne, ent increase in demortage charge over on a bicycle through that section with the rate in effect prior to December 1st,

last, when emergency rates were pre-scribed by the Interstate Commerce

go into effect May 1st, provides chrages of 52 per day meach car detained for loading after arrival at its destination for the first four days and five dellars for the first four, days and five dellars officials were put on his trail he sudper day thereafter. dealy disappeared.

that members' speeches were to be limitd to five minutes. House leaders hope to reach a vote to-ers, admits that some of the strikers ed to five minutes;

Branches of Congress

Today.

IN MURDER CASE arght, although this appeared doubtful, are still out, and official reports to State Department In the Senate the bill was taken up speak of 250,000 laborers in Berlin who under an agreement to rach a final vote bave quit work.

by tomorrow night. Sixteen Senators The seriousness of the economic siton suspicion of being the slayer of still were to be heard. Debate in the untion in Germany is indicated by Neal Walton, is still held in the county Senate was opened by Senator Jones, Re. the statement of Chancellor Von Both-And Walton, is still held in the county Schate was opened by Schate Jones, held in annu-Holloweg who has appealed to the various German government officials to runish strikers with greatest severity. Although Miss Florence Davidson, suid he expected to support the bill, but This follows on the heels of an an-

there is still much doubt as to the negro's guilty. The strongest fact that tends to discredit this is that these in charge at the stockade are positive that douson was backed in his cage at the time the shocking occurred. Another paint that is helping to es-tablish a brief of the negrois jump

Another point that is account for a pay the expenses of this war. Conserve situation in Spain by a statement by the cence in the mails of the people, is inone of meanes above the ordinary new Premier by asserting that neutral-the fact that the advances of the amount of the ordinary demands of hie ity was impossible where the honor and meda is just as logical as the conserve interest of the country were at stake, tion of men. In my judgment every Germany's answer to Spain's latest means above \$100,000 should be com note is expected within a few days. mandeered or conscription for the hene. The Spanish note stated plainly that if fit of the government to carry on the Germany persisted in her present course

> BOTH COUNSELS IN JOINT MEETING

Washington, April 27.-Military, na. have take in the Arras battlefield the val and hummend cooperation between British gain have begin to forge ahead, the United States and France were dis General Haig's report today showed adused today by members of the French vanses for his troops in two of the most commission and representatives of the important sectors on the front, of two American government. The ground work and one half mile line between Roeux for conferences between the British, and Gavrelle important positions have French and American representatives men enplured driving still further the was spected to be had later at a confer produce into the German lines towards once between Foreign Minister Balfour, Dmil

head of the British mission and M. Viv Likewise in the Monchy-Gueappe re-man, head of the French party. The gion near the Arras Sambria road simi-chiefs of the missions had orders to meet lar tellings inroads have been made in

at the headquarters of the French mis- the German defense system The French armies along the Aisen front are also employing their infrantry HAS MANIA FOR to good effect. Gains of grounds in the region where German possession of BORING HOLES Cracone is being meanaced is being re-

ported today by Paris. The French po-sition near Germy west of Voelercy platenu hiso has been improved. French likewise have advanced in the

she must not be surprised if Spain arted

Having withstood all the violent at-

temats of the Germans to drive them

to defend her national interest.

The British campaign in Mesopotamia bends around his neck. He stopped at continues to score marked progress. The church near Rivanna and bored a General Maude has followed the Turks Commission. The new rate which will hole through the wall, Later he spent northwestern from Samaria from which go into effect May 1st, provides chrages two hours at aurel Hill Bapt st Church they have retired several miles and they are entrenching.

sher ff.

opinion of enrious officers as to wheth Miss Davidson recognized Johnsto

die had a look at him.

The fact that no warrant has as ye been issued in generally faken w when taken in the cometery in would make the average negro.