

THE PERSONS ARE INJURED WHEN FIRE DEPARTMENT MOTOR TRUCK AND STREET CAR RUN TOGETHER

Condition of Three of the Firemen Who Were Hurt Is Serious. ANSWERING FIRE ALARM Truck Was Turning Onto South Boulevard When the Collision Occurred.

Eight members of the Charlotte fire department and two passengers aboard a street car of the local street railway system were injured, three of them seriously, in a collision between a street car and a motor truck of the fire department at the corner of Park avenue and South Boulevard at 12:30 o'clock Friday afternoon.

ALL RESOURCES OF RAILROADS Placed at Disposal of Government, in Event of War.

Resolution Proposes TO CREATE NEW STATE Charleston, W. Va., Feb. 16.—A resolution was introduced in the West Virginia House of Delegates today to create a new state from the counties of Ohio, Brooke, Hancock and Marshall, with a view of thereby providing sufficient revenue to pay the Virginia debt judgment. The four counties have an area of 589 square miles. The resolution provides that the four counties known as the panhandle counties, pay the \$12,000,000 debt judgment by a bond issue in consideration for separate Stateship.

INDUSTRY THREATENED WITH SHUT-DOWN

Hardwood Manufacturers Ask Interstate Commerce Commission to Intervene.

Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 16.—Resolutions adopted at a meeting here, 9:30 a. m., of the Southern Hardwood Traffic Association, called to consider action regarding the existing embargo in effect on Northern and Eastern railroads, declare that the transportation system of the country has reached a critical period in its history.

DECLARES BRITISH HAVE CAPTURED DEUTSCHLAND

Returning American Declares it and 186 Other U-Boats Are Tied Up at Plymouth.

Baltimore, Feb. 16.—William Palmer, second engineer of the American transport liner *Mongolia*, which arrived here from Plymouth, England, via New York, said he saw the merchant submarine *Deutschland* and 186 other German U-boat boats in Plymouth harbor.

URGENT DEMAND TO ENLARGE COMMISSION

Washington, Feb. 16.—Plans to put through the Senate tomorrow night the bill already passed by the House for enlarging the Interstate Commerce Commission from seven to nine members were made today after Commissioners Clements and Hall had urged the Senate committee handling the measure to expedite it as much as possible. The commissioners declared their pressing business made the enlargement imperative.

FATHER TO SON.

Berlin, Feb. 16.—Via Sayville.—An official communication says Emperor William has telegraphed the German Crown Prince, congratulating him and his troops for their successful attack against the French in Champagne, which he says maintained their reputation for smart execution.

CROWN PRINCE'S ARMY DRIVES FRENCH BACK ON CHAMPAGNE LINE

Ground Captured to Depth of Half a Mile—Seven More Vessels Sunk by Submarines.

Striking at the French line in Champagne, midway between Verdun and Rheims, troops of the German Crown Prince have taken ground to a depth of a half mile on a front of a mile and a half. The attackers captured 558 prisoners, including 21 officers and 20 machine guns.

OTHER PROVINCES QUIET, According to Cuban Official Statement—Denial That American Marines Have Landed.

SEVEN MORE BOATS SUNK BY GERMAN SUBMARINES

Seven more vessels were sunk by the German U-boats, according to yesterday's report. They include a sailing vessel and trawler, all of British registry. The names of only three were given out. The record of vessels destroyed since the submarine campaign was inaugurated February 1 follows: REPORTED SUNK YESTERDAY:

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Nogales, Ariz., Feb. 16.—Fred Kaiser, said to be a German subject, was arrested here today on a charge of violating the National defense laws. He was specifically charged with entering a warehouse illegally and was alleged to have been obtaining military information. Kaiser resided in Nogales.

SEGREGATION CASE IS BEFORE SUPREME COURT

Ordinances of Several Southern Cities Will Be Affected by the Decision.

Washington, Feb. 16.—City Attorney C. M. Pollard of Richmond, Va., today filed a brief with the Supreme Court commending race segregation ordinances of Richmond, Louisville, Baltimore and other cities as a means of promoting the interests of both negro and white citizens.

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LARGE FORCE OF TROOPS MOVING AGAINST REBELS

Cabinet Member Takes Charge of Operations in Camaguey.

Havana, Feb. 16.—Official announcement was made tonight that quiet prevails in the provinces of Havana, Pinar del Rio, Matanzas and Santa Clara, and that a large force of troops is in the province of Camaguey operating against the insurgents.

AMERICAN COMMISSION MAY REVIEW RETURNS

Washington, Feb. 16.—A suggestion that an American commission review the returns from Cuba's presidential election, over which an armed revolution has developed, is under consideration at the State Department as one possible solution of the situation.

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ATTENTION OF SENATE IS AGAIN TURNED TO INTERNATIONAL CRISIS

Many References to German Situation During Debate on Bill to Curtail Activities of Foreign Agents.

Washington, Feb. 16.—The Senate turned its attention to the international crisis again today, a debate on the Administration bill to curtail activities of foreign agents developing many references to the situation with Germany, and drawing from Chairman Stone, of the Foreign Relations Committee, a bitter denunciation of newspapers which circulated false statements in order to create a sentiment for war.

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