

## RUSSIANS RETIRE FROM LAST LINE OF DEFENSE IN FRONT OF LEMBERG

Muscovites Line Only 16 Miles  
From Galician Capital, the  
Russian War Office  
Admits

ITALIANS ATTACKING  
WITH GREAT ENERGY  
German Positions North of  
Arras Threatened—Bulgaria  
Receives Satisfactory  
Terms, Is Report

Petrograd, June 19.—An official war office statement issued last night admits that the Russians have retired beyond the line of the Grodek lake, less than 16 miles west of Lemberg, their last line of defense in front of the Galician capital.

Rome, June 18, via Paris, June 19.—The assertion is made in Rome newspapers that the Italian army now occupies 10,000 square kilometers of unredemmed territory and more than twice as much as Austria offered Italy to remain neutral. Amsterdam, June 19.—Allied airmen dropped bombs on a German balloon shed at Brussels, causing slight damage, according to the Maasbode.

Berlin, June 19.—The German war office announces that the village of Ebermenil, about 30 miles east of Nancy, has been captured by the Germans. The French had fortified the villages.

London, June 19.—Russian forces are at bay along the Grodek line in Galicia where, with their flank well protected by the marshes of the Dneister they will defend Lemberg, capital of Galicia. Neither side reports much activity during the past 24 hours, the outstanding claim being Petrograd's assertion that the Austro-Germans have been hurled back into Austrian territory between the Dneister and Pruth rivers.

The French, according to latest reports are holding the Germans north of Arras, and now occupy positions on three sides of Souchez. British observers say that very soon they may make the German positions on that front untenable.

The Italian army is attacking the Austrian frontier defenses with energy, but the only evidence of an advance is the report of the shelling of the railway station at Gorizia, which indicate that the Italian battery has been considerably advanced.

Rumors as plentifully as they are contradictory emanate from the Balkans, that the Entente allies have offered Bulgaria generous territorial terms, which a special dispatch from Sofia declares to be absolutely satisfactory. Nevertheless, it is evident that no actual alliance has been signed or will be signed until Bulgaria's neighbors make the concessions which Bulgaria has been consistently demanding.

Steamer Dulce Sunk.  
London, June 19.—The 2000-ton British steamer Dulce was torpedoed and sunk off Suffolk today. Members of the crew, with one exception, were saved.  
The Dulce was 275 feet long, and was last reported as arriving May 23 at the Tyne from Rouen, France.

## Kaiser Quoted as Saying Peace May Come Soon

Paris, June 19.—Extracts from a letter said to have been sent by Emperor William to a person connected with the Bavarian court and published in Spain, are reproduced by the Matin. Emperor William is quoted as saying: "Our only object is a peace profitable for the German states. Peace may be concluded sooner than is thought. If it gave for the time being only an incomplete result at least it would serve as a reparation for the future. It could be signed tomorrow if I wished."  
"When my august grandfather placed the empire on its present basis, he did not pretend that he had realized the complete work. The empire is always susceptible of growth. What is not achieved today can be achieved later."

## Kansas City Warned to Get Ready for Floods

Kansas City, Mo., June 19.—The weather bureau warned the residents of the east and west bottoms of Kansas City today to move immediately from the first to second floors of their homes and to be prepared for a flood.

## GOV. SLATON WILL NOT GRANT RESPITE

Will Decide on Death or Commutation for Frank By Tuesday

Atlanta, June 19.—Governor Slaton was at his country home near this city early today and continued his exhaustive study of the evidence and court records in the case of Leo M. Frank for the murder of Mary Phagan. Governor Slaton stated over the telephone that he probably would not be prepared to announce his decision on Frank's application for commutation of sentence to life imprisonment until Monday afternoon or Tuesday morning. He said positively that no respite would be granted in the Frank case but that by Tuesday he would decide whether he would commute the sentence or decline to interfere.  
"The judgment of the court," said Governor Slaton, "should cause the prisoner to be prepared for death. In the event the decision is adverse to him, he has had ample time for preparation."

## SOUTHERN STATE BANK HAS MOVED QUARTERS

Moved to 423 Depot St—Building Being Remodeled—New Vault

Announcement is made by the Southern State bank that the present bank has been moved from No. 405 Depot street to No. 423 Depot street. The new place is being remodeled and will be fixed up in the very best manner for a modern banking building.

According to an official of the bank it became necessary to move in order to seek larger and more desirable quarters. A new vault, of a very late pattern, will at once be installed and everything done to make the institution up-to-date and alive in every respect.

## MAN SHOTS FAMILY AND COMMITS SUICIDE

Ohio Man Shoots Every Member of Family Except Boy Aged 11

Upper Sandusky, Ohio, June 19.—Harvey O. Dyringer, aged 40, a rich farmer, shot and fatally injured his wife, killed his daughter Esther, aged 15, wounded his son, Herbert, aged 18 and then committed suicide at his home near Forest. No reason is known for the act.  
The only member of the family to escape uninjured was the youngest child, Kenneth, aged 11, who was saved by Herbert. The latter is not seriously hurt.

## MR. BRYAN DENIES HE WAS IGNORED

Declares President Conferred With Him on All Department Matters

Washington, June 19.—President Wilson called at the home of former Secretary of State Bryan yesterday to bid good bye to Mr. and Mrs. Bryan before they depart for a southern trip. The visit was described as entirely social and there was no reference to the international situation. Secretary McAdoo called later.

During the afternoon Mr. Bryan made public a statement denying reports that he had been ignored by President Wilson while secretary of state. He said there never were any material differences on questions of policy between himself and the president until the foreign submarine controversy arose.  
"I am glad to make refutation," said Mr. Bryan, "and to say that the president has done me the honor to confer with me about everything done in connection with the state department. Not a single statement has been issued by the president, or prepared by him, about which I have not had the privilege of conferring with him beforehand, and the opportunity to offer suggestions after it was prepared."

"I may add that we have never had any material difference on any question of policy until the submarine controversy arose, and our notes—my note of resignation and his note accepting it—have clearly and distinctly set forth the only difference that existed on this matter."

Today Mr. Bryan will go to New York to deliver a peace address in Carnegie hall. He will return here Sunday and at night leave, with Mrs. Bryan, for Asheville, N. C.

## ONE OF TWO BIGGEST BATTLESHIPS LAUNCHED

Arizona Launched at Brooklyn Navy Yard—Wine and Water Used

New York, June 19.—The new battleship Arizona was successfully launched today at the Brooklyn navy yard. The Arizona shares with her sister ship, the Pennsylvania recently launched at Newport News, the honor of being the biggest battleship in the world. Both wine and water were used in the christening ceremonies.

Miss Esther Ross was sponsor. Governor Hunt of Arizona, Secretary Daniels and a number of army and navy officials were present.

## FLOWERS FOR STRANGERS DISTRIBUTED TOMORROW

All persons who have flowers to give away to strangers in the city are requested to leave them at Rayson's drug store before 10:30 o'clock tomorrow morning. Roses, sweet peas, nasturtiums and other varieties will be acceptable. The stems should be wrapped with moist paper or cotton.

## MEYER-GERHARD MAKES REPORT

Inform German Foreign Office  
Holds of State of U. S.  
Opinion Concerning  
Lusitania

WILL ALSO TALK WITH  
IMPERIAL CHANCELLOR

Nothing Is Known as to What  
Character of German Reply Will Be—Conferences Necessary

Berlin, June 19.—Dr. Anton Meyer-Gerhard, whose long report to Foreign Minister Von Jagow, Dr. Alfred Zimmerman, under secretary of foreign affairs, and Count Montelias, head of the American section of foreign affairs, acquainted these officials fully with the status of public opinion in the United States, will be given an opportunity to make a similar report to the imperial chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg before the actual preparation of the German reply to the United States in regard to submarine war is begun. Whether he will visit headquarters and personally present the facts to the emperor has not been decided. In any case the German reply will probably not be sent for at least ten days.

Extensive conferences between the representatives of the various departments concerned will be required to clarify the opinions of the foreign office, the ministry of marine and the naval general staff as to the form of the note to be presented to the United States.

The conferences have not yet begun and there is nothing to show the direction of the current German policy may take. It is still an open question as to whether the German reply will be a definite rejoinder or not.  
It may be stated with regard to Gerhard's report that the information contained in it has little that is new to the foreign office, and his chief value lies in the presentation of his report on the strength of public opinion in the United States, and in his declaration that the attitude of President Wilson and his advisors, in the most positive and convincing form, is the position outlined in the written communication. Dr. Gerhard is understood to have made it clear that there is no doubt but that the American people are behind the president in his insistence for guarantees against a repetition of such an incident as the sinking of the Lusitania, and equally little doubt that no important section of the American people desires war if it can be avoided honorably.

## ACTION BY WHITMAN IS ONLY CHANGE

Becker Must Die Unless Man Who Prosecuted Him Grants Pardon

Ossining, N. Y., June 19.—Charles Becker, sentenced to die next month for the murder of Herman Rosenthal, was visited in his cell today by his counsel Martin T. Manton of New York, who remained with the prisoner for a half hour, discussing, it is inferred, the plan to appeal to Governor Whitman for clemency. This is believed to be virtually Becker's only hope of escaping the electric chair, since the court of appeals yesterday declined to grant a re-argument on his appeal from his second conviction.

"I have nothing to say now; perhaps later," was all Mr. Manton would say as he left the prison.

Albany, N. Y., June 19.—The court of appeals has denied the application of Charles Becker for a re-argument on his decision affirming his sentence to death. Becker, convicted of inspiring the murder of Herman Rosenthal, is in the Sing Sing death house, sentenced to die during the week of July 12. Intervention by Governor Whitman, or the United States Supreme court alone can save him, according to legal authorities. Little hope is expressed that the federal court will act favorably or that the governor, who prosecuted the former police officer, will be inclined to grant him clemency.

There was no written opinion in the case handed down yesterday. Becker's attorneys alleged in the application for re-argument that Justice Swayne, who presided at the second trial in instructing the jury, failed to present fully the defense's testimony.

THE WEATHER  
PROBABLY SHOWERS

## SERIOUS DISSENSION IN RANKS OF CARRANZA'S SUPPORTERS REPORTED

## U. S. Is Not Considered An Acceptable Mediator

Berlin, June 19.—A Washington dispatch to the Cologne Gazette saying that the question of peace is being discussed in the American capital has drawn the assertion from the Morgen Post that Americans know full well that self constituted peace-makers are never welcome, consequently they will not be likely to force advice where it is not wanted.  
Dr. Ignatz Jastrow, professor of political economy at the University of

## GOODE AND HAGE OPEN DRUGSTORE MONDAY

Splendid Location on Patton Ave—Store Fitted in Very Best Fixtures

Goode and Hage, Inc., will open Monday, in the building on Patton avenue, formerly occupied by Brown Book company, a modern and up-to-date drug store in every respect. The building has been remodeled, redecorated and now presents a most pleasing appearance. All of the fixtures and stock of the new concern are absolutely new and of the very best.

On entering the building on the right is a modern soda fountain, made by Lippincott, while just beyond the fountain, on the same side is a tea room, something entirely new in drugstores in Asheville. This tea room is built in an arbor effect, with posts at each corner and artificial flowers over the top of the arbor. It presents a beautiful effect and there is space for five tables in the room.

On the left of the building on entering, first comes the soda booths, the perfumery department and then the patent medicine section. A partition separates the store about three-fourths the way back and to the rear of this is the prescription department. All of the fixtures used in the building are mahogany, this applying to the fixtures in the tea room, the soda booths, the cases for the stock and the partition.

At the fountain all drinks will be served in sanitary cups and cleanliness will be the chief motto of the firm in handling its goods, together with quality and right prices.

The building is well lighted, a large skylight being in the left center of the building and several windows in the rear.

Messrs. Goode and Hage were formerly employed at the Smith drug store and are well known in the city, having hosts of friends. Both are experienced drug men.

## "THE GIRL FROM OUT YONDER" OPENS MONDAY

Hackett-Long Players Will Present Play Here for First Time

The Norman Hackett-Billy Long company of associate players will next week present at the Majestic theater for the entire week, "The Girl From Out Yonder." This play is of the romantic comedy drama type and press criticisms of it have been very favorable.

Those who witnessed the performances given by the company during the past two weeks have been more than complimentary of the work, not only of Mr. Hackett and Miss Long, who head the company and have long ago established themselves in favor with the theatergoing public of the country, but with the individual members of the company. Each seems to put his or her whole soul into the work and the details are always worked out.

It is expected that the play for next week will prove equally as popular as "Spendthrift" and "Allas Jimmy Valentine" which have already been given at the Majestic.

## FARMERS INTERESTED IN BETTER DAIRYING

E. D. Weaver and J. A. Arey Return From Campaign at Fairview

Farm Demonstration Agent E. D. Weaver kept his Saturday office hours today conferring with farmers in regard to agricultural matters and distributing literature to those who called. Mr. Weaver stated that he had just returned from a visit to the Fairview township with J. A. Arey of the dairy division of the federal department of agriculture.

Mr. Arey is co-operating with the North Carolina department of agriculture in arousing interest in better dairying methods and in the establishment of cream routes. Mr. Weaver and Mr. Arey have visited practically all of the townships in Buncombe county and Mr. Arey is canvassing all of the western counties.

In Fairview township Mr. Weaver states that the people were greatly interested in the lectures and stereoscopic illustrations of sifo apparatus, cream separators and types of the best cattle for dairying purposes, and that the prospect is good for the establishment of a cream route in this territory at an early date.

Routes have already established in the Leicester and Holly sections and the route in Big Ivy will be opened on June 28, Mr. Weaver said. The people of Reems' creek are also about ready to begin preparing cream in large quantities for the market.

## UPHOLDS OREDR FOR GIVING THAW TRIAL

Albany, June 19.—The court of appeals has upheld the order of Supreme Court Justice Hendrick directing a jury trial to test the sanity of Harry K. Thaw.

The Court of Appeals was unanimous in its decision, which held that Justice Hendrick did not attempt to evade responsibility in directing a jury trial, but merely wished to obtain the advice of a jury.

The decision holds that Thaw has no mandatory right to a jury trial, but that it was in the discretion of the trial judge to decide whether such a request should be granted.

## CHOLERA SPREADING IN AUSTRIAN CAPITAL

Geneva, June 19.—The Tribune has a dispatch from Innsbruck, which says that cholera is spreading in Vienna and that the authorities there have found it necessary to adopt more severe measures in trying to control the disease.

## SOUTHERN RAILWAY'S STATISTICS ON TRAINS

Atlanta, Ga., June 19.—During the month of May, Southern Railway operated 12, 803 passenger trains of which 12,522 or 91 per cent made schedule time. The number leaving and arriving all points on time was 12,102 or 88 per cent.

Cabinet Crisis May Seriously Affect Carranza Movement and Mexican Affair as Whole

OREGON AND CARRANZA HAVE DIFFERENCES

President Wilson Will Defer Acting Definitely in Regard to New Mexican Policy

Washington, June 19.—Differences between Carranza and Oregon, his principal commander, dissension in the Carranza cabinet and Carranza's removal of his headquarters to the isolated safety of Fort San Juan Uolt in the harbor at Vera Cruz, all reported to the state department today, brought the Mexican situation to a new focus. State department dispatches say these developments threaten the solidarity of the Carranza movement. The occupation of Mexico City by Carranza troops under the command of General Pablo Gonzalez has been postponed pending the reorganization of the Carranza cabinet.

Officials here have no complete indication as yet of the meaning of the cabinet crisis, but overnight dispatches said that a new situation had arisen which may have important effects on the Mexican problem as a whole. Late advice says that four of the eight cabinet members resigned and that Oregon insisted, in a telegraphic message to Carranza, that they be retained and that a fifth member, the minister of public instruction, be dismissed. A newspaper article by the latter, attacking some of his colleagues in the cabinet, is said to have led to the break up.

President Wilson has indicated that he will wait several weeks to see if the situation takes clearer shape before definitely deciding on what steps to take in the new policy outlined in his recent statement on the Mexican situation.

## STATE BANKERS ELECT OFFICERS

Convention of Association Closes Today—Several Interesting Addresses Heard

Wrightsville Beach, June 19.—The North Carolina Bankers association, which has been in its nineteenth convention here, closes its sessions today after a most interesting meeting at which several instructive addresses have been heard. Included in the morning program was an address by William Ingle of Richmond.

The following officers were chosen yesterday for the ensuing year: Vice president for North Carolina of the American Bankers' association, Thomas E. Cooper, retiring president of the state association; delegate to the national convention at Seattle, W. A. Hunt; vice president of the company section, E. O. Anderson of Charlotte; J. B. Ramsey, Rocky Mount; president; George A. Norwood, Goldsboro; vice president; W. B. Strachan, Salisbury; secretary and treasurer of the federal reserve bank section.

The features of the sessions yesterday were addressed by President Cooper, W. P. G. Harding of the federal reserve board and former United States Senator McLaurin of South Carolina. President Cooper advocated the establishment of a land bank in the state with a capital of \$5,000,000. Mr. Harding described the working of the federal reserve system and urged a better system of cotton warehouse receipts could realize on them. Senator McLaurin also considered the benefits of a cotton warehouse system.