

## Governor Slaton Has Commuted Leo Frank's Sentence From Death to Life Imprisonment

### TEUTONS SURE OF BIG VICTORY

So Confident of Taking Lemberg That Kaiser Is Present for the Final Triumph

RUSSIANS MAY BE RESERVING ACTIVITIES

Some Believe Russians Are Fighting Rear Guard Actions and Saving Army Probably Intact.

London, June 21.—The announcement that Emperor William had assumed supreme command of the military operations in Galicia, indicates a complete German confidence in final victory in the assault on Lemberg, now regarded so near at hand that the generals who during the past two months have battered their way across the province wish the emperor to be present for the culmination triumphs.

Some of the claims of the Austro-Germans are still to be substantiated, but there is no question but that they have won important new victories west and north of the Galician capital, and that the Austro-German advance is still progressing through the Grodok line west of Lemberg.

It is questioned if anything so vital as the flight of the Russians, as indicated in the Vienna reports, or a perilous break in the Russian front has occurred. Some British experts believe the Russians are fighting rear guard actions while withdrawing their armies practically intact, and suggest that either the Russians have no intentions of defending Lemberg to the last or that they have prepared their main defense lines on positions which have not yet been reached by the Germans. With less than 20 miles separating the Austro-German forces from Lemberg these points must soon be elucidated. French and German accounts of the operations in the west show their usual divergence, but detailed reports from Paris satisfy British observers that the French are making such advances as will shortly permit more active operations in the sections occupied by the British troops.

After seven weeks' battering across Galicia, during which the Russians have been thrown back more than 150 miles, the Austro-Germans now are as close to Lemberg as were the Germans to Paris last fall. Never perhaps since before the battle of the Marne have the Teutonic allies appeared so confident of success. Having failed in their original plan of crushing France and then turning to Russia, they have reversed the order of their strategy, and now, judging by the expenditure of life and ammunition in Galicia, they have planned their whole faith on paralyzing the Russian army to permit throwing of a tremendous weight of men and metal into the west, there either to break through the Franco-British line or force an interminable period of sanguinary warfare.

A dispatch from Copenhagen says that the German emperor himself has taken supreme command of the Galician campaign, establishing his headquarters in Silesia, as near the front as practicable. Meanwhile the German official communication records the further progress of the Austro-German forces toward Lemberg, both to the north and

south of the city. It claims as well that the Russians have been cleared from parts of the Dnieper to the south.

The question England and her allies are asking is whether Grand Duke Nicholas can emulate Joffre's tactics of last fall and check the Austro-Germans at the gates of Lemberg. Optimists point out that the grand duke checked them almost at the gates of Warsaw just as General Joffre stopped the Germans before Paris and Field Marshal Sir John French stopped them before Ypres, Dunkirk and Calais.

It is argued further that even should Lemberg fall the Russians can drop back to equally formidable positions, utilizing the rivers and swamps, and it is the British contention that they thus could hold out for months, England and France in the meantime sending to their aid men and munitions if necessary.

Whether Russia has sufficient ammunition to meet the present strain is a question which cannot be answered in England, although the London papers characterize the situation in Galicia as "Russian's supreme emergency" and public interest is centered in that theater notwithstanding the hard fighting in progress along the western front. The sound of guns is audible at Lemberg, and possibly this week will see the culmination of one of the most interesting phases of the war.

### MANY VIOLATIONS OF OLEOMARGERINE LAWS

Manufacturers Have Defrauded Government of \$27,000,000, McAdoo Says

Washington, June 21.—How violators of the oleomargarine law have defrauded the government out of \$27,000,000 due in stamps and special taxes was revealed by Secretary McAdoo in a statement based on a preliminary report on a sweeping investigation conducted by Commissioner Osborn of the international revenue bureau.

Frauds committed as long ago as 1902, immediately after the enactment of the law, have been uncovered. The commissioner began his inquiry some months ago and since then unpaid taxes aggregating \$251,000 have been recovered and deposited in the treasury "with the prospect of further very large collections." Forty-two violators of the law have been convicted since the first of January and twenty-nine of these have been given prison sentences. Fines aggregating \$148,000 have been assessed, in addition to the recoveries actually made and the announcement declares the investigation will be continued.

The announcement shows that since 1902 more than 200,000,000 pounds of colored oleomargarine have been manufactured and fraudulently sold as uncolored.

### ORDERED TO WAR ZONE, GOT "SICK"

Gulfport, Miss., June 21.—Reposing in the King's Daughters' Hospital here is more pleasant than duty on a vessel destined for the war zone, is the opinion of the sailors on the British steamship Richmond, taking on a cargo of crosses for the United Kingdom.

But so far none has been able to enter the institution because the examining physician has not been able to discover that anything is the matter with them. Not only has the ship's physician been consulted by these seamen with a view of going to the hospital, but they have sought help to this end from other physicians and to no purpose.

### CAT CAME BACK AND THEY'RE FRIENDS

Chicago, June 21.—Friendly relations between Mrs. Alice Cousins and Mrs. C. F. Carpenter, who lives across the street, have been resumed. Mrs. Cousins found Mrs. Carpenter's Persian cat and gave it a home last November. Mrs. Carpenter did not find out where the cat was until a few days ago. Then Mrs. Cousins demanded \$15 "cat board." Mrs. Carpenter offered \$5 and had Mrs. Cousins arrested when she refused the smaller sum. Mrs. Cousins was released when her neighbor announced: "All is adjusted."

**THE WEATHER PROBABLY SHOWERS.**

### FRANK IS SPIRITED OUT OF ATLANTA

Taken to Prison Farm Before Commutation of Sentence Was Announced--Governor Slaton Says He Would Have Been Murderer By Allowing Frank to Be Hang.

Atlanta, Ga., June 21.—Leo M. Frank's sentence this morning was commuted to life imprisonment by Governor Slaton. Frank was taken secretly to the state prison farm at Milledgeville. Frank was to be hanged here tomorrow for the murder of Mary Phagan in April, 1913.

Governor Slaton was still at his country home this morning when he announced his decision by telephone to the Associated Press. In his announcement the governor dictated the following brief statement:

"All that I ask is that the people of Georgia read the statement of my reasons for commuting the sentence of Leo M. Frank from death to life imprisonment before they pass judgment. Feeling as I do about the case, I would be a murderer if I allowed this man to hang. It may mean that I must live in obscurity for the rest of my days, but I had rather be plowing in a field than to feel for the rest of my life that I had his blood on my hands."

Governor Slaton is completing a lengthy statement giving the reasons for his action and he said this would be made public later.

Early extra editions of the newspapers stated unofficially that Frank's sentence had been commuted, and early in the day crowds began to gather on the principal streets. The arrest of a man who attempted to dismount a policeman by grabbing the reins of his horse stirred the crowd to excitement at Forsyth and Walton streets. The people followed the officer to the city hall a block away where the prisoner was taken, pending the arrival of a patrol wagon.

A speaker started to harangue the crowd from the steps of the city hall, but was stopped by an extra force of policemen.

It was stated that a delegation was coming from Marietta, Ga., the home of Mary Phagan. Frank's removal from jail was carefully planned and the officers were able to elude newspapermen and others who might have recognized the prisoner.

Leaving the jail by a rear door shortly before midnight the party went to the station in an automobile and a deputy purchased tickets to Macon. Frank was not handcuffed and did not wear the heavy spectacles he usually wears. A black slouched hat was pulled down over his face. The few persons at the railway station failed to recognize him and it



LEO M. FRANK

### RUSSIAN MUNITIONS.

Tokio, June 21.—Advices from Vladivostok say that munitions for the Russian army are arriving at that port in great quantities. Russia has placed rush orders in the United States for cars to transport the supplies to the front.

### CANADIAN FACTORY WRECKED BY BOMB

Attempts Also Made to Blow Up the Armory at Windsor, Ont.

Windsor, Ontario, June 21.—The overall factory of the Peabody company, Limited, located at Walkerville, a suburb of this city, was partially wrecked by a bomb explosion last night. The company is said to have just completed an order of 105,000 British uniforms.

Shortly after the explosion at the factory 27 sticks of dynamite were found under the rear of the Windsor armory, attached to a time fuse, which was set to explode at 3:15 a. m., but which had burned out. It was said that 200 men slept in the armory last night and had the dynamite exploded, the whole building would have been wrecked.

### WARDEN'S WIFE KILLED; NEGRO TRUSTY SUSPECT

Joliet, Ill., June 21.—Joseph Campbell, a negro "trusty" at the penitentiary, is being held in solitary confinement pending an investigation into the murder of Mrs. Edmund M. Allen, wife of the prison warden, whose body was found last night in a blast bed. Campbell was convicted in Chicago five years ago and given an indeterminate sentence of from one year to life. He was chosen as the personal servant of the Allens under the honor system. He is thought to have been the last person to have seen Mrs. Allen alive. Police believe that Mrs. Allen was burned to death, although her skull was fractured.

### BIBLE CONFERENCE IS LARGELY ATTENDED

Church Workers Haer Stirring addresses By Prominent Preachers and Teachers

The Summer Bible conference at the First Baptist church resumed its sessions this morning at 11 o'clock. Rev. Arch C. Cree of Atlanta made his final appearance before the conference at that hour. At 3 o'clock this afternoon Rev. Dr. Prince M. Burroughs will deliver another address in the series on "Winning to Christ." The preachers of the conference will gather at 4 o'clock. Rev. J. C. Owen of Asheville being the principal speaker. Mrs. W. H. Woodall will lead the women's meeting at the same hour. At 7:15 o'clock this evening Rev. Dr. Burroughs will continue the series of addresses on "The Doctrine of Our Faith." An hour later Rev. Dr. Millard A. Jenkins of West Asheville will address the conference.

Rev. Dr. Len G. Broughton of Knoxville, who was expected to arrive today, will not reach the city until tomorrow. Rev. Dr. Broughton is on the program to deliver an illustrated lecture on "The European War as it Affects the United States."

Large audiences yesterday attended the sessions of the conference being conducted at the First Baptist church in this city. Church workers and Sunday school leaders of that denomination from all sections of western North Carolina were here to listen to the splendid addresses and sermons on the program for Sunday.

Yesterday morning at 10 o'clock Rev. Dr. Burroughs made a talk to the primary and intermediate departments of the Sunday school and as a result more than 70 asked for prayer.

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Saturday evening Rev. Dr. Cree addressed the street meeting held under the auspices of the Bible conference and the local post of the Salvation Army. Rev. Dr. Calvin B. Waller opened the meeting and the Salvation army furnished the music. Rev. Dr. Cree appealed to his hearers to live Christian, consecrated lives and many asked for prayer.

### FORMER ASHEVILLE MAN DIED AT EAST SPENCER

W. H. Deaver, formerly of Asheville, but more recently of Washington, D. C., died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. B. Orr, in East Spencer, June 13.

Mr. Deaver was a union veteran. Mr. Deaver was 69 years old and leaves a wife and five grown children.

### NO TRACE FOUND OF ANCIENT JEWELS STOLEN

San Francisco, June 21.—No trace has been found of the several ancient Egyptian scarabs, diamonds, emeralds and other rare jewels, valued at \$15,000, which were stolen from the arts and crafts section of the varied industries palace of the Panama-Pacific exposition Saturday night. The articles are the property of Edgar Perera of New York.

### BRYANS ARRIVE THIS AFTERNOON

Former Secretary of State and Mrs. Bryan Will Be Guests at Grove Park Inn

MR. BRYAN GOES TO N. Y. WEDNESDAY

Mrs. Bryan Will Remain Here Until Her Husband's Return—Will Speak at Madison Square

Mr. and Mrs. William Jennings Bryan will arrive here this afternoon at 2:40 o'clock from Washington and will be guests at Grove Park Inn, during their stay in the city. According to an Associated Press dispatch received today Mr. Bryan will return to Washington and New York on next Wednesday and on Thursday will deliver an address at a peace demonstration to be held at Madison Square garden. It was stated here this morning, however, by a close friend of Mr. Bryan's that nothing definite had been arranged in regard to the Madison Square speech and that Mr. Bryan would not know perhaps until tomorrow just what he will do in regard to the matter.

Mr. Bryan will remain here, if Mr. Bryan returns to New York, until he returns here. Their plans in regard to the stay in Asheville are rather uncertain just yet, it is stated, although Mr. Bryan, in an interview with a Gazette-News reporter at his home in Washington last Thursday stated positively that Asheville would be visited often by members of his family and that he considered this city one of the very best places in the country. He referred to a new home he proposes to build on Sunset mountain and said that he hoped to be able soon to give some time to it and get the work started.

Since resigning from the cabinet several weeks ago, Mr. Bryan has been at his Washington home, with the exception of last Saturday night when he attended and addressed a huge mass meeting of laboring people at New York. This was his first address since he resigned as secretary of state and people generally in all sections of the country were much interested in knowing just what he would say at that time.

Mr. Bryan comes here now to secure a much needed rest and he will, no doubt, as he has done in the past, take walks along the mountain trails near Grove Park Inn and enjoy the climate here.

### ABE ALLISON ESCAPES FROM IREDELL JAIL

Man Sentenced to Die July 9 Succeeds in Making His Escape.

Governor Locke Craig, who is at his summer headquarters at the Battery Park hotel, last night received a letter from his private secretary, Col. J. P. Kerr, stating that Abe Allison, under sentence of death for criminal assault, had escaped from the Irredell county jail at Statesville.

Allison was sentenced to be executed on July 9, and it is understood that his lawyers were preparing to appeal to Governor Craig for commutation of sentence. Colonel Kerr's letter gave no details of the escape.

### NEW YORK COTTON.

New York, June 21.—Cotton futures opened steady: July, 8.44; October, 9.87; December, 10.13; January 10.19; March, 10.42.

### 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 the houses and to be prepared for a flood.

### HEALTH HELPED BY EDUCATION

American Medical Hears Reports on Instruction of Public in Matters of Disease Prevention

SIXTY-SITH ANNUAL MEETING OPENS TODAY

Reports Show That Much Progress Has Been Made By People in Knowledge of Health Measures

San Francisco, June 21.—Numerous activities in which the American Medical association is engaged, particularly in the line of educating the public for the preservation of health, were reported upon at the opening session today of the sixty-sixth annual meeting of the association.

Dr. Victor C. Vaughan, of Ann Arbor, Mich., dean of the medical department of the University of Michigan, is president of the association and presided today at the meeting in the exposition memorial auditorium.

Dr. Henry B. Favill of Chicago, who presented the report of the council on health and public instruction, said that during the past year the council had continued the development of its program which includes a thorough investigation of present public health conditions in the United States, the education of the public by every possible means, in order that the people may understand the enormous advances in scientific medical knowledge during the last generation for the prevention of disease and the prolongation of human life. He reported that Dr. Charles V. Chapin, commissioner of health of Providence, R. I., had as the special representative of the council, visited and inspected the boards of health in all of the states and had prepared a report as the basis of standardizing and classifying their work. He said a similar study of federal and municipal health activities were being planned.

An important "get-together" movement was indicated in the report of the central committee on the public health organization, which has made a survey of 44 different national organizations working on public health subjects, duplicating effort, wasting money and labor and conflicting in functions. It was said a union meeting of all the organizations interested was being planned for 1916, with a view to uniting as many of these organizations as possible in a single strong national organization.

Regarding public educational work the council reported that the speakers' bureau had furnished speakers for 151 public meetings during the year and that the bureau of literature had printed nearly 300,000 pamphlets on different public health subjects, including a campaign of education for mothers on how to save babies and on the minimum sanitary requirements for rural schools.

The educational work of the association regarding franks in patent medicines and the interest shown by the public were reported as having steadily increased, and the work which the council undertook some ten years ago in elevating the standard of requirements for medical education was said to have been so successful that the conditions which were outlined in the first report a decade ago as ideal, have now become a reality. There were, however, a number of further advances to be recommended, among which were reforms in methods of clinical instruction in medical colleges.

The secretary of the association, Dr. Alexander R. Craig, of Chicago, reported that the membership had increased from 74,235 in 1914 to 75,020 this year.

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