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The Russian foreign minister, M. Sazonoff has issued a statement saying that he considers the allies justified in seeking any means to prevent the enemy from taking advantage of the neutral position of a third power.

A fleet of allied ships has already established a close blockade of the Aegean coast of Bulgaria.

It has not been established whether Bulgarians have occupied Vranja on the Nish-Saloniki railroad, concerning which there are conflicting reports.

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## RE-ENACTMENT OF WEEKS LAW URGED

Congress Will Be Asked to Continue Appropriation for Acquisition of Forests.

Washington, Oct. 21.—One of the important questions to be brought to the attention of congress early in the forthcoming session will be the re-enactment of the Weeks law providing for the expenditure of \$2,000,000 annually by the federal government for the acquisition of mountain forest lands and watersheds necessary for the protection of standing timber and navigable waters.

Paris, Oct. 21.—The diplomatic corps at Nish, after preparing to quit the temporary capital of Serbia has postponed departure, communication having been cut with Saloniki, according to a dispatch from Athens.

The message says that traffic between Saloniki and Monastir has been suspended as a result of floods, and that the occupation of Vranja by the Bulgarians has stopped communications between Uskub and Nish.

Washington, Oct. 21.—The resignation is announced of the Rev. W. Evans Darby, LL. D., of the secretary of the Peace society.

London, Oct. 21.—Darkest London has swelled the bus receipts as a large part of the public would rather pay a penny to cross the street than to risk its neck afoot.

## TOTAL VALUATION OF THE COUNTY PROPERTY FOR ALL GENERAL TAXATION REACHES \$30,177,267, WHILE GRAND TOTAL OF 1915 TAXES IS \$325,031.31

State Taxes for General Purposes on \$24,120,352.00; valuation at 2 1/2% on each \$100.00 valuation	\$ 57,084.83	
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State Taxes for Pension Purposes on 6,631 polls at 12c each	795.62	10,443.76
State Taxes on Incomes	4,203.91	\$ 71,732.50
County Tax for General Purposes on \$30,177,267.00; valuation at 19c on each \$100.00 valuation, etc., on \$30,177,267.00; valuation at 10 1/2-3c on each \$100.00 valuation	57,336.81	
County Tax for Roads and Bridges on \$30,177,267.00; valuation at 20c on each \$100.00 valuation	60,354.53	
County Tax for Poor on 6,631 Polls at 38c each	2,519.78	151,394.29
Special Road Tax Black Mountain Township on \$1,170,274.00; valuation at 20c on each \$100.00 valuation	2,340.55	
Special Road Tax Sandy Mush Township on \$246,044.00; valuation at 50c on each \$100.00 valuation	1,230.22	3,570.77
School Tax for General Purposes on \$30,177,267.00; valuation at 20c on each \$100.00 valuation	60,354.53	
School Tax for General Purposes on 6,631 Polls at \$1.50	9,946.50	70,301.03
Special Township Taxes for Schools on \$7,665,366.00 at 30c on each \$100.00 valuation	22,996.10	
Special Township Taxes for Schools on \$948,209.00 at 25c on each \$100.00 valuation	2,370.52	
Special Township Taxes for Schools on 2,829 Polls at 90c each	2,546.10	
Special Township Taxes for Schools on 160 Polls at 75c each	120.00	28,032.72
Grand Total		\$325,031.31

## FRENCH DRUGS WORK UNDER GUN FIRE

In Discovering New Antiseptic For Gunshot Wounds Doctors Had to Dodge Shells.

Paris, Oct. 21.—Dr. Alexis Carrel and Dr. Henry Dakin in making their discovery of the new antiseptic for gunshot wounds carried on the work with artillery fire sounding almost constantly.

The antiseptic is the result of eight months of experimental study in the laboratory and of six months' test in various French military hospitals.

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## May Notify Germany of Broken Parole Cases

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## NAVY AS IT IS TO BE IN 1925

Strength of American Fleets Described by Naval Experts

## If Administration Program Is Approved TO PROVIDE FOR 27 FIRST LINE WARSHIPS

Larger Craft Will Be Armed With Recently Developed 14-Inch Rifles—Six Battle Cruisers.

Washington, Oct. 21.—What the United States navy will be in 1925 if the administration defense program is approved by congress is described by naval experts as follows:

The strength will be: Battleships of the first line 27. These warships will carry more than eight big guns each, most of them mounting 14-inch 50-calibre rifles—the new weapon recently developed by the ordnance bureau and believed to be equal if not superior to any naval gun on any ship afloat.

Reserve battleships, nine. These ships are all in commission or in reserve. The oldest will be the Iowa, commissioned in 1897. Three other warships—the Oregon, Massachusetts and Indiana—will have gone to the scrap heap within two or three years.

Battle cruisers, six. All these vessels will mount eight 14-inch 50-calibre rifles and will have a speed of 35 knots.

Scout cruisers, 13, including the Salem, Chester and Birmingham, the only scout ships now in the navy. Destroyers, 96. The figures allow for the retirement of 18 destroyers which were commissioned before 1905, and did not take into account 19 torpedo boats which are still in service.

Fleet submarines, 18. The Schley is the first vessel of this type designed for any navy and will be launched in a few months. The Schley will make 20 knots an hour, while others of this class will make 25 knots an hour or more.

Coast defense submarines, 149. This figure includes all submarines of that type which are now built or building and allows for the retirement of 19 boats of the A and B classes, which are now on duty in the Philippines and at Panama and are giving satisfactory service despite the fact that they are 12 years old.

Gunboats, 51. These vessels are for river and shallow harbor work. The new naval program asks for only two boats of this class.

In addition there are ten armored cruisers, five protected cruisers, four first class cruisers, 12 second class cruisers and nine coast defense monitors which will be available for reserve fleet duty. It is not planned to build any more vessels of these types.

## "MORAL PURIFICATION" PRECEDES CORONATION

Kyoto, Japan, Oct. 21.—"Moral purification" of the city of Kyoto as a preparation for the coronation ceremony is the aim of Japan Christian Women's Reform association. The organization has issued a manifesto declaring that the sacred accession ceremonies of the autumn should be accompanied by moral cleanliness.

Throughout the coming festivals in the ancient capital the workers will erect tents and work systematically for the reform of the people's morals.

## FRANCE HAS GREAT CROP OF HAY AND POTATOES

Paris, Oct. 21.—Senator Jules Méline former president of the cabinet, presiding at the annual meeting of the agricultural assembly, presented statistics showing that the potato and forage crops this year are so abundant as to compensate the shortage in wheat. The excess of hay produced over other years will enable the feeding of enough live stock to make up for all the necessary requisitions of meat for the army.

## HOUR HAS COME FOR REVIVAL IN ASHEVILLE

Rev. Dr. Chapman Declares That Church Has Not Collapsed—Time Is Ripe For Action.

## UNANSWERED PRAYER IS SUBJECT FOR TODAY

Thousands Attended Two Services Yesterday—First of Drawing Room Meetings Was Held Today.

The first of a series of house-to-house meetings which will be conducted during the Chapman-Alexander revival was held this morning at the residence of Mrs. M. E. Hillard at 101 Chestnut avenue.

This evening the recently re-organized union of the Epworth league societies of Asheville, will meet at the Central Methodist church at 6:30 o'clock and later will march to the tabernacle where seats will be reserved for them.

About seven thousand people heard two strong sermons yesterday by Rev. Dr. Chapman. At the night song service many were visibly affected by the wonderful voice of Mr. Brown as he sang "He Wants a Poor Sinner Like Me."

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## GIVE PRESIDENT BAR OF GOLD FOR WEDDING RING

Washington, Oct. 20.—President Wilson today received a delegation of women and girls from California, who gave him a piece of gold from a California mine and also a bar of gold which they suggested he could have made into a wedding ring for Mrs. Galt, his fiancée.

The delegation also brought a petition signed by 120,000 people urging the president to visit the San Francisco and San Diego expositions. A large cluster of California orange blossoms was brought to Mrs. Galt.

When told that he might use the bar of gold for a wedding ring, the president smiled and said it was a very happy thought.