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IMPORTANT NEWS
THE WORLD OVER

Happenings of This and Other Nations
For Seven Days Are
Given.

THE NEWS OF THE SOUTH
What is Taking Place in the South
Will Be Found in
Brief Paragraphs.

Washington
The operations of the German submarine boat U-53 off the American coast raises no new issues, as far as the British government is concerned...

Steadily the pressure of the Austro-German forces is compelling the Rumanian troops who invaded Transylvania less than eight weeks ago to fall back upon or toward their own frontier.

President Wilson issued a statement about the submarine warfare near the three-mile limit in which he stated that Germany would be held strictly accountable to her promise, but said he had no right whatever to question Germany's intentions.

Domestic
An El Paso, Texas, dispatch says that a storm, swooping down from over the mountains of the west, played havoc in the Georgia artillery camp blowing down tents and drenching everything and outside for the hour or more that the storm raged.

European War
Violent infantry fighting continues on the Carso front in the Austro-Italian theater, with further successes for the Italians.

ALLIES INSIST ON SEARCHING MAILS

LATEST REPLY TO AMERICAN PROTESTS REITERATES CLAIM TO RIGHT.

U. S. DOES NOT ADMIT THIS

Washington.—In their last reply to American protests against interferences with neutral mails just made public, by the State Department, the Allied governments reiterate their right to intercept and search all genuine mail found on neutral vessels on the high seas or in allied ports but they promise to remedy "any faults, abuses or serious mistakes" in censorship that may be brought to their attention.

AMERICA ALWAYS READY TO FIGHT FOR THINGS AMERICAN

Pennsylvania Democrats Hear President Wilson at Shadow Lawn.
Long Branch, N. J.—In a speech before a large delegation of Pennsylvania Democrats who came here with banners playing and banners flying, President Wilson declared that while he is for peace, "America is always ready to fight for things that are American."

VOTE FOR HUGHES DOES NOT MEAN A VOTE FOR WAR

Lincoln, Neb.—Charles Evans Hughes characterized as "preposterous" the declaration that a vote for him meant a vote for war.

STEPHANO CAPTAIN SAYS SHIP FIRED ON WITHOUT WARNING.

Washington.—The Britis steamer Stephano, sunk by the German submarine U-52 off the New England coast, was fired on without warning, her commander, Captain Smith, reported in an affidavit received by the State Department.

BRITISH SHIPPERS FEAR SUBMARINES

EXERCISING CAUTION IN ALLOWING SHIPS TO LEAVE ATLANTIC COAST.

BELIEVE U-33 IS RETURNING

New York.—Although there was no news to indicate that the German submarine U-53 still was lurking in the Atlantic Sea lanes and while some shipping interests believed she had headed for Helgoland, there was evidence that the British Admiralty will proceed with caution in allowing British ships to depart from Atlantic Coast ports.

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U. S. HAS FOUND NO GROUND FOR ACTION

PRESIDENT WILSON AND SECRETARY LANSING CONSIDER SUBMARINE ATTACKS.

PRESIDENT MAY SEND NOTE

Long Branch, N. J.—President Wilson and Secretary of State Lansing discussed in detail at Shadow Lawn German submarine attacks on merchantmen of the New England coast. The conference lasted until late at night.

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RAID WAS WORK OF LONE SUBMARINE

KNOWN LIST OF VICTIMS IS SIX—THREE OTHERS REPORTED SENT DOWN.

CREW OF ONE SHIP MISSING

Newport, R. I.—The wholesale raid on foreign shipping south of Nantucket Lightship was the work of one submarine, according to reports of American naval officers. Rear Admiral Albert Gleaves, commanding the torpedo-boat destroyer flotilla which did such remarkable speedy rescue work, said that the reports of all his officers agreed that to the best of their observation one raider only was concerned. This boat presumably was the German U-53, which called at Newport.

STEAMER ANTILLA STILL BURNING IN HAMPTON ROADS.

Coast Guard Cutter and Tugs Bring Ward Liner Into Port With Fire Still Raging in Her Hold.
Norfolk, Va.—Towing the still burning steamer Antilla and the yacht Pacifico the coast guard cutter Onondaga and the naval tug Sonoma arrived in Hampton Roads and at last reports were proceeding toward Newport News.

DANISH ISLANDERS FAVOR SALE TO U. S.

St. Thomas, D. W. I.—The sale of the Danish West Indies by Denmark to the United States was unanimously favored by acclamation at a meeting held here attended chiefly by working men—laborers and artisans. This course was favored rather than the institution of reforms under the existing regime, the transfer being desired to be the only means of remedying existing unsatisfactory conditions on the island.

EASTERN BATTLE FRONTS HOLDING INTEREST ABROAD

London.—On the battle fronts in Europe, Transylvania and Macedonia continue for the moment the centers of greatest interest. According to Berlin, the Rumanians in Transylvania are retreating along the whole line. The Teutonic Allies have recaptured the town of Tuerzburg, 15 miles southwest of Kranstadt and within seven miles of the Rumanian border. In the Danube, the Germans have occupied an island.

FARM LOAN BOARD COMING OCT. 24TH

TO MAKE SOUTHERN TRIP THIS MONTH INSTEAD OF AFTER ELECTION.

ITINERARY IS ANNOUNCED

Washington.—The Farm Loan Board will go to Raleigh the 24th of this month instead of waiting until after the election. The Southern itinerary of the board has just been announced.

U. D. C. CONVENTION ENDS

Gastonia.—The twentieth annual convention of the North Carolina division of the United Daughters of the Confederacy came to a close after a pleasant three days' session. A pretty incident brightened up the routine election of officers when nominations were made for president during the ensuing year. No sooner had Mrs. Duffy named for the high honor Mrs. Thomas Lee Craig of Gastonia, than Mrs. Craig, with fine sense of the proprieties, asked that her name be withdrawn in favor of Mrs. Jackie Daniel Thrash of Tarboro, who having been nominated by Mrs. Herbert McCullers, of Clayton, was elected by acclamation.

MILK POISONS SCORE OF PEOPLE

Hickory.—A score or more of persons were made sick, several seriously, in West Hickory, by drink milk, physicians announced. Six members of the family of John Little were made ill, and the members of at least half a dozen other families were reported affected. One young man, who had drunk some of the milk, went "possum hunting, grew sick and had to be hauled home in a wagon. It is believed that the fluid, which caused the trouble, had been allowed to remain in tin containers too long before being emptied.

COL. HENDERSON DIES AT SALISBURY

Salisbury.—Former Congressman John S. Henderson, died at home here at the age of 71 years following two weeks illness and a general breakdown. Besides serving 10 years in Congress Col. Henderson, who was a Confederate, had frequently represented his county in the legislature.

BUNCOMBE BEELS SLIGHTED

Asheville.—Buncombe county feels slighted. When the federal relief fund for the restoration of roads in the stricken district was distributed to Buncombe, although this county suffered as heavy road losses in the flood as any county in the west. Buncombe wants a share of the federal aid, but not for the Buncombe county roads. What Buncombe seeks is to have her share of the funds appropriated for the opening of the highway through Hickory Nut Gap.

MANY ATTEND BARRINGER REUNION

Newton.—More than 500 relatives gathered at the noted Noah Barringer farm east of Newton to celebrate the eightieth anniversary of Mrs. Eliza Barringer. The late Mr. Barringer had nearly a score of children and they with the grand-children, great-grandchildren and relatives by marriage, constitute what is perhaps the largest family confection in Catawba county. Nearly everybody present at the big dinner was akin to the Barringers.