

IMPORTANT NEWS
THE WORLD OVER
AND OTHER NATIONS FOR
SEVEN DAYS GIVEN
THE NEWS OF THE SOUTH

Washington.
Plans for further guarding the country's war activities were formulated by the department of justice and approved by the President in a cabinet at Washington. Accordingly, enemy aliens will be required to register.

European.
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Domestic.
W. P. Beard, editor of Abbeville, S. C., was found guilty of disloyalty in the U. S. court at Greenwood, S. C. and sentenced to one year and one day in a federal prison and pay a fine of \$500.

A bomb was picked up on the main floor of the Auditorium theater in Chicago, where the opera "Dinorah" was being sung. It was found by fireman after it had caused a panic.

Armed Mexicans fired upon a party of Americans who were hunting on an island in the Rio Grande near El Paso, Texas. One of the Americans was shot through both legs.

Highwaymen held up A. D. Farrell, superintendent of the G. W. Johnson Limestone company, in Newcastle, Pa., while he was on his way from there to Hillsville, Pa., to pay the company's employees, and after killing Tony Sack, a guard, and wounding Farrell, made off with \$17,000.

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Water was loosed where the Germans succeeded in crossing the Piave near Grislera, and the region where he gained entrance is now under water.

Inundated territory near Rome, Italy forms a triangle where the enemy had been driven back, but still held on until the dykes were released over the low-lying plain.

Warfare in the Pacific. The United States is about to add several hundred thousand tons of shipping to the stream of steamships carrying American troops and supplies to the aid of the allies.

Only Germans could be compelled to register, since Austrians, Turks and Bulgarians are not classed as enemies under the espionage law. Congress might extend the restriction to those nationalities, however.

LISTS 9,000,000 FOR U. S. SERVICE

Provost Marshal Gives Rules Regarding Liability for Military Duty.
Washington, Nov. 15.—The five classes into which 9,000,000 men registered for military duty—and those who are registered hereafter—are defined and the order in which they will be called for service were officially announced in the provost marshal general's questionnaire which every registered man must fill out and file. The order shows some change from the tentative draft published some time ago.

Contrary to some published reports, it does not exempt married men as a class, but it does place married men with dependent wives and children far down on the list of liabiles. In fact, the questionnaire indicates that only men of the first class will be called to the colors, except in the gravest emergency. The five official classifications of registrants follow:

CLASS I.
(A)—Single man without dependent relatives.
(B)—Married man, with or without children, or father of motherless children, who has habitually failed to support his family.
(C)—Married man dependent on wife for support.
(D)—Married man, with or without children, or father of motherless children; man not usefully engaged family supported by income independent of his labor.
(E)—Unskilled farm laborer.
(F)—Unskilled industrial laborer.

CLASS II.
(A)—Married man with children or father of motherless children, whose wife or children or such motherless children are not mainly dependent upon his labor for support, but whose wife or children or such motherless children are dependent upon his labor for support, or who are dependent upon his labor for support, or who are dependent upon his labor for support, or who are dependent upon his labor for support.

CLASS III.
(A)—Married man with dependent children (not his own but toward whom he stands in relation of parent).
(B)—Man with dependent helpless brothers or sisters.
(C)—County or municipal officer.
(D)—Highly trained fireman or policeman, at least three years in service of municipality.
(E)—Necessary custom house clerk.
(F)—Necessary employee of United States in transmission of the mails.
(G)—Necessary artist or workman in United States armory or arsenal.
(H)—Necessary employee in service of United States.
(I)—Necessary assistant, associate or hired manager of necessary agricultural enterprise.

CLASS IV.
(A)—Man whose wife or children are mainly dependent on his labor for support.
(B)—Mariner actually employed on sea service or citizen or merchant in the United States.
(C)—Necessary sole managing, controlling or directing head of necessary agricultural enterprise.
(D)—Necessary sole managing, controlling or directing head of necessary industrial enterprise.

BAKER ISSUES WAR REVIEW FOR WEEK

SECRETARY CONTEMPLATES FUTURE IN ITALIAN THEATRE WITH CONFIDENCE.
Reinforcements Are Arriving—Further Offensive on Western Front Indicated by Increased Artillery Fire—American Worthy of Best.
Washington.—Hardening of the Italian defense and the precision with which British and French reinforcements are being delivered in the Italian war theatre leads Secretary Baker in his weekly war review to contemplate the future in that field with confidence. He points out, however, that the full strength of the Austro-German efforts has not yet been developed.

The training of our national army is now progressing rapidly, the statement says. "At all the camps the morale of our new citizen-soldiers is reported as excellent."

The British and French officers who are to assist in instructing our new armies are arriving. They come for the purpose of initiating our men into the latest developments of modern warfare, so that from the very outset our forces may be trained according to the most efficient time and life-saving methods.

In France, the training of our troops is likewise being carefully continued. In the sector where our forces are in the trenches, they have shown themselves worthy of the best traditions of our armies.

Members of the party of American congressmen and private citizens who spent two days visiting in the Belgian war zone had a narrow escape from death or injury this morning when they were caught in a sudden burst of German machine gun fire while inspecting the front line trenches near Dixmude.

EVERY BUSINESS WILL BE GIVEN HEARING
Washington.—Arbitrary elimination of industries regarded as non-essential to save coal and rail transportation will be undertaken by the government only after every business threatened has been given a full hearing.

Five Dead in School Fire.
Asheville.—Five known dead, with a possibility that the number will be increased to eight, is the toll claimed by flames which destroyed the Catholic Hill school for colored children, 29 minutes after the children had been put through fire drill. Three of the bodies have been identified, and two more at the morgue cannot be identified as yet, but five more children are missing, and is practically certain that the bodies are those of two of the missing children.

U-BOATS MAY APPEAR OFF AMERICAN COAST

PREDICTIONS MADE BY SPEAKER AT NAVAL ARCHITECTS AND ENGINEERS MEETING.
Only Six British Merchantmen Sunk During Week and Only One of Those Above 1600 Tons—Italians Hold on to New Line Along Piave.
New York.—Predictions that enemy submarines will soon make their appearance off American ports, that the submarine will be found to be the best antidote for the submarine, and that the great world powers in the near future will have flotillas of "contra-submarines," especially built for operating against undersea craft, were made by speakers who addressed the annual conventions of the Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers here.

Commander E. S. Land of the United States navy, took issue with Mr. Lake when the latter said he did not believe the submarine could be effectively used against the submarine.

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COAL SHORTAGE IS PUT AT FIFTY MILLIONS OF TONS
Washington.—The 1917 coal shortage is put at 50,000,000 tons in estimates completed by the fuel administration. Although production of bituminous and anthracite together has jumped 50,000,000 tons, consumption is declared, has increased at least 100,000,000 tons. Immediate measures will be taken to meet the situation.

State Union Adopts Resolution Thanking Government for Action to Secure Nitrate of Soda.
Winston-Salem.—Dr. H. Q. Alexander was again elected president of the North Carolina Farmers' union at the session in this city with only one dissenting vote. His action in preparing patriotic resolutions and resolutions for the union to purchase \$10,000 in Liberty bonds indicate a change from his accredited attitude of opposition to war and resisting the draft.

GERMANY'S U-BOAT CAMPAIGN ON WANE

Germany's submarine campaign is waning as the result of the stringent measures that have been taken to combat it by the British and American naval forces. Last week only six British merchantmen were sunk and only one of these was a craft exceeding 1,600 tons.

This is the smallest total of vessels sent to the bottom during any week since the submarine warfare began, the lowest previous figures having been twelve merchantmen, eight of them in the category of 1,600 tons and over, and four of less than 1,600 tons.

Meanwhile, the enemy is striving energetically to force passages of the Piave at various points and again has been successful on southern reaches in crossing the stream at Grizola, four miles distant from its mouth and some twenty miles northeast of Venice.

The north around Zenson, where the stream was negotiated by the Austro-Germans Tuesday, fighting its still in progress with the Italians holding the upper hand, but not yet having been able to drive back the invaders to the eastern bank of the stream.

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The dead and injured are as follows: Identified dead: Henry Thompson, Elsie Thompson, Mary Jamison. Missing and believed dead: Addie Logan, Daisy Dobbins, Hazel Harris, Davis, Hannah Smolton. Two unidentified bodies are in the morgue and will account for two of the missing.

N.C. FARMERS UNION CONVENTION ENDED

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The Farmers' union convention adjourned after passing a resolution of thanks for the steps taken by the Congress of the United States authorizing the President to use \$10,000,000 in the purchase of nitrate of soda to be imported for the use of the farmers and to be furnished to them at cost.

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