

RUMANIA OVERRUN BY GERMANS

GERMANY CLAIMS ARABIA A TRANSPORT

NOTE TO THE UNITED STATES OVER SINKING OF VESSEL WAS MADE PUBLIC TODAY.

CONSIDERED VERY WEAK

(By United Press) WASHINGTON.—Germany has set up the contention that the steamer Arabia, which was sunk some time ago, was a troop transport. She admitted that a German submarine sunk the vessel under that impression. This information appeared in her answer today to American inquiries, which was made public this afternoon by the State department. At the same time, Germany agreed to promptly take appropriate consequences if the United States showed the vessel to be an ordinary passenger liner, rather than a transport. Lansing refused to comment on the note. The contents of the message and the main facts therein were chronicled several days ago when it became known that the note would arrive. The State Department has said privately all along that the Arabia case is the main issue upon which the future relations between Germany and America probably depend. It is pointed out that Germany emphasizes that her commanders are still under orders to follow the international law as demanded by the United States in its note over the Sussex case. Note Considered Weak. WASHINGTON.—The administration considers the German note, regarding the Arabian case, as very weak.

THE BIGGEST PAPER EVER PUBLISHED

New Record in Journalism to be Established When Daily News Christmas Edition Appears. What promises to be the most complete guide for Christmas shoppers and—incidentally, the largest paper ever published in Beaufort county—will be issued within a few days when the Christmas edition of the Daily News is delivered. Expense or trouble is being spared in making this edition one that will make it valuable to both readers and advertisers of the paper. It will be printed on special paper, ordered for this purpose and will contain innumerable cuts, borders and other features. Local shoppers are urged to watch for this extra edition and to use it when doing their Christmas shopping.

THE LADIES AID SOCIETY

of the First Baptist Church will conduct a Christmas Fair in the Rodman building, on West Main street, beginning Thursday night at 8 o'clock and continuing through the week. 12-6-31c-1p

THEY WANT YOUR TRADE

The following stores are today making a special bid for your Christmas trade. They have exceptional values for Christmas shopping. Their advertisements in today's issue prove that they want your trade and are progressive enough to go after it: I. H. Morris, Spencer Brothers, Municipal Light & Water Co., Harris Hardware Co.

HERE'S ONE WAY OF INTRODUCING MR. WARD

One of the points in the lesson for today of Miss Elizabeth Warren's class in the local school was "to write an introduction for a public speaker." Among the papers sent in was the following: "I am now before you to introduce one of the most important men in our county. Mr. Ward is a famous lawyer we have ever heard and speaker and he speaks at every election we have. He was famous from a childhood to manhood and is still famous. And I think most people will agree with me."

BRITISH CABINET IS STILL UNCERTAINTY

(By United Press) LONDON.—The House of Commons met and adjourned today without any announcement concerning the new ministry that is to be headed by Lloyd George. It adjourned to meet again next Tuesday. There has been much speculation regarding the personnel of the new cabinet, but nothing authoritative could be learned today.

BAPTIST WILL MEET AT DURHAM NEXT YR.

(By United Press) DURHAM, N. C.—Durham has been selected by the North Carolina Baptists, in State convention, which is now in session at Elizabeth City, for their meeting place next year.

TO HAVE ART EXHIBIT

Treat is in Store for Local Lovers of Art During Next Week.

An art exhibit, consisting of beautiful reproductions of the world's greatest paintings and sculpture will be held by the Elson Art Publication Company December 12 to 16 in Mr. Brown's vacant store on North Market street. All money raised, above expenses, will be used to purchase pictures for the school building. The exhibit promises to be a great event and it will bring to the eyes of local art lovers many beautiful works. It is expected that large crowds will witness the collection during its stay here.

ESTABLISHES AERIAL BASE ON LOWER CHESAPEAKE

(By United Press) WASHINGTON.—The war department will shortly establish an aerial base on the Lower Chesapeake, the House Naval Committee has been informed. The site selected is across the Norfolk channel, just north of the Jamestown grounds.

TRAINMEN TO FIGHT WILSON "FORCE" PLAN

OFFERS COUNTER PROPOSITION TO COMPULSORY ARBITRATION, WHICH THEY REJECT.

PLAN CALLS FOR TRUCE

WASHINGTON.—The four big railroad brotherhoods are preparing to submit to Congress and to the President a plan for the settlement of disputes between the railroad and their employes which will do away with the objectionable "compulsory arbitration" feature of the President's recommendation to Congress.

The legislation urged by President Wilson would force all employes to remain at work during investigation of the causes of their disputes with their employers and until settlement short of strikes or lockout had been attempted.

In fighting the "compulsory arbitration" feature of the President's recommendations, the American Federation of Labor will join hands with the brotherhoods.

Samuel Gompers, in an interview, outlined clearly the attitude of the Federation toward this phase of the President's message to Congress, and declared his organization was prepared to "resist every attempt to impose involuntary servitude on our people."

William G. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, the largest of the railroad organizations, declared the plan for the settlement of disagreements with the railroads had been under consideration for some time, but that it had not been worked out in detail.

Mr. Lee admitted the plan might not always work out in practice so that the railroads of the country would be able to run normally. "I am quite sure, though," Mr. Lee added, "that it will prove acceptable to the President."

It is understood the plan provides that after the railroad employes' demands have been submitted to the railroad executives the men shall remain at work during a specified time while the demands are under consideration. During that time no strike will be called and the railroads will be bound by law not to organize a lockout during the period of investigation.

It, at the end of this period, the railroads and men are unable to come to a working agreement then both are free to attempt to enforce their demands, without further legal restrictions.

Mrs. Melick Wins in Work. The following, taken from the Elizabeth City Evening News, will prove of interest to many of our readers:

Mrs. C. W. Melick was before the county commissioners this afternoon in behalf of the Tomato Canning Club of Pasquotank county. She asked for an appropriation of \$250 to aid in the work of organizing tomato canning clubs throughout the county. The commissioners voted in favor of giving the appropriation. Mrs. Melick has made a noble and persistent fight for the organization of the girls of the rural districts of the county. Her final success is a matter for congratulations to her and the girls.

Local Visitor Today. L. N. Roberts of New Bern, is in the city today transacting business.

METHODIST CONFERENCE URGES THAT DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BE DRY

(By United Press) WASHINGTON.—Senator Overman today presented in the Senate a "dry" petition for the District of Columbia from the Western North Carolina conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, which is now in session at Gastonia, N. C. The petition was referred to the judiciary committee.

BRYAN IS OPPOSED TO GOVT. OWNERSHIP OF THE RAILROADS

(By United Press) WASHINGTON.—Classing some of the girls of the rural districts of the "jobbers," William Jennings Bryan today declared that Federal control of the railroads would bring into national politics "a corruptive force greater than we have ever known." Mr. Bryan is testifying at his own request before the Newlands joint committee for investigating public utilities.

DECLARE BOND ISSUE OF HUNDRED MILLION

(By United Press) WASHINGTON.—The Federal Farm Loan Banks will declare a hundred million dollar bond issue, the United Press learned today. This will be made shortly after the new banks open their doors for business, probably during February.

POPE CONDEMNS AERIAL RAIDS ON OPEN CITIES

ROME.—In his allocution delivered before the Secret Consistory here yesterday Pope Benedict said: "If even the law of man were obeyed at present peace and prosperity would reign in Europe. We see every principle of right violated, acts committed in defiance of the laws of God and man, open cities and defenseless inhabitants exposed to aerial attacks and by sea and land nameless horrors. "I can but deplore again these crimes and condemn all those by whom they are committed."

HAWKINS NOTES.

Sunday School was well attended here Sunday afternoon. Quite a number of visitors were present.

Mrs. J. H. Wallace, of Washington, returned home Tuesday afternoon after spending several days with Miss Alice Woolard.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Woolard spent Sunday with their mother, Mrs. Mary C. Baynes.

Some of our people attended church at Beaver Dam Sunday morning and night.

Mrs. J. H. Wallace and Miss Mattie Woolard were guests of Mrs. O. L. Sparrow late Sunday afternoon.

Our public school work was resumed again Monday after having been stopped since Wednesday on account of the teachers attending the N. C. Teachers Assembly at Raleigh last week. Misses Braddy and Woolard returned home Saturday night and report a most pleasant and profitable session of the assembly.

Our Sunday School is thinking of having a Christmas tree some time during the holidays.

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ANARCHY AND CHAOS REIGN IN RUMANIA

Misery of Inhabitants is Terrible. Thousands Are Starving and Dying by the Roadside

BUCHAREST FALLS TO THE GERMANS

(By United Press) With the German army of General Von Falkenhayn, headquarters in Rumania.—Every hundred yards here is something dead or dying in Rumania. The country is mad with terror. Anarchy and chaos reign everywhere. The misery of the inhabitants is terrible. Most of it is due to the Rumanian government itself, which ordered all civilians to leave their homes as the German armies advanced with almost incredible swiftness. Entire villages, acting upon this warning, fled from their homes. They were, for the most part, without food after the first day or two. Countless numbers starved to death. Hordes of peasants fled before the Germans like chaff before the wind. They knew not where they were going, but they kept up their flight as long as their strength would permit them. The dead and dying were left by the roadside. Women, carrying babes to their breasts and with children clinging to their skirts, presented the most pitiful sight of all. Entire Rumania is suffering with an intensity that cannot be imagined. The hole country is panic stricken. The people do not know what to do and they are fleeing in various directions without knowing where they will find shelter and refuge.

Rumanian Troops Withdraw. PARIS.—The Rumanian troops evacuated Bucharest in good order, saving their army. It was authoritatively stated today. The Rumanian rear guard was strenuously forced to cover the retreat.

Germans Make Further Advances. BERLIN.—Occupying Campina and Sina-Ca, in addition to the Rumanian capital, Bucharest, announcement was made today of a further advance by the German troops.

R. L. FLOWERS WILL SUCCEED SOUTHGATE

(By United Press) DURHAM, N. C.—R. L. Flowers, Secretary of Trinity College, was today named by the State Methodist conference to succeed the late James Southgate as member of the Methodist Board of Education.

Jim Weston Growing Famous.

"Jim" Weston, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Weston of this city, is achieving considerable fame in the football world. He played on the Furman, (S. C.) team during the last season as fullback and has been selected as a member of the All-State team. He has also received considerable newspaper publicity. One of the latest reports in the Greenville Daily News reads as follows: "Weston, as full back, has not received the credit due him for his work this season. He hits the line harder than any other member of the Furman team, and is unquestionably a great football player. He is in the same all the time, and working hard. Weston does not hesitate to risk his own safety in order to make a gain."

Notice of Receiver of Gas Plant.

I have this day been appointed Receiver by the Federal Court of the property and business of the Washington Lighting Company and will continue to operate the gas plant by order of the Court until further notice. Prompt payment is requested of all bills due the Company and settlement should be made with Miss Margie Blount, at the Company's office. No other person is authorized to receive or pay out money in my name or to accept or incur any obligation on the part of the Company. This December 4, 1916. GEORGE T. LEACH, Receiver. 12-5-17p.

STREET PAVING IS DISCUSSED

Board of Aldermen Took Up Matter at Their Meeting Which Was Held Last Night.

At the meeting of the board of aldermen, held last night, the discussion of street paving in Washington was the principal topic of interest.

A representative of an Atlanta paving company was present and addressed the board with reference to securing the contract for his firm. Upon motion, however, it was decided not to take any definite action in this direction until the next meeting.

A survey will have to be made and the board will also endeavor to ascertain the exact cost to each individual before entering into any contract for having the work done.

Mr. Swain in the City. J. L. Swain, of Plymouth, who is well known locally, was among the out of town visitors here today.

TODAYS PROGRAM —AT— New Theatre

5 reel Triangle Kay-Boe "THE NO-GOOD GUY" Featuring WILLIAM COLLIER Popular Broadway Favorite

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