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HEARTY RESPONSE GIVEN "BANNER DAY"

SLOGAN FOR BANNER DAY: ONE
SUBSCRIPTION SURE.

MANY NEW ENTRIES IN THE LIST

Many Pledge Their Support to Make
This a Day to Be Remembered. —
Send in a Subscription for Your
Favorite Candidate. — Get in the
Game. — If You Are Already Listed
Begin Your Active Campaign Now.
— If You Have Not Entered Send
in Your Nomination Now And
Start on Banner Day With One
Subscription.

Going to help make it a big day for
the "5,000 Club" Campaign?
We want you to help make it a day
long to be remembered by the clerks
of the Campaign Department, by turn-
ing in at least one subscription on
Saturday, February 3.

The Idea.
The "Banner Day" idea came
about from the numerous requests
from interested people, who want to
know if "this" or "that" candidate
really mean to run in the race for the
valuable prizes offered by The Times
and The Tribune and whether it
would be all right to turn in a sub-
scription or some votes for them.

Now, candidates, here is the idea
for you to go on if you really want
the subscription of your friends. Get
your name where it can be seen. Show
your friends, who will make other
friends for you in the race, that you
really are in it to win by sending in
some votes or a subscription or two
so that the votes may be placed after
your name in the paper. That is the
best advice the Campaign Manager
can give you. What do you think
about it, and what are you going to
do about it?

Get At Least One.
Get up on the band wagon where
there is music, if you would win one
of these valuable prizes offered by
The Tribune and The Times. Send,
or bring, in at least one subscription
this coming Saturday, and do your
share to make it a BIG DAY. Now
is your chance to show your friends
and boosters that you want their sup-
port, and that their assistances will
not be uselessly applied if you are
the one who gets it.

In a way there is no special reason
why a subscription should be handed
in Saturday instead of today, but
there are a good many reasons why it
is better to turn in a subscription
then, rather than the day after. The
manager of the "5000 Club" Cam-
paign has a very special object in
view in setting apart a certain day
for "Banner Day"—in requesting
each and every candidate to turn in
at least one subscription on this par-
ticular day.

Each and every candidate will be
materially benefited by having one
or more subscribers added to their
list, for each subscriber you secure
will in turn become a "BOGSTER"
for his or her favorite candidate.

Each subscriber added to the list
will read the paper—watch the
vote standings of the various candi-
dates—they will become more inter-
ested in the campaign and will see
their favorites name either high or
low on the list, and will notify their
friends to vote for their favorite candi-
date. The voting in this campaign
will be very close, and while the sub-
scriptions count most, it may happen
that the coupons clipped from the pa-
per will count considerable in the
race ere the end.

Best Time to Start.
Those candidates whose names are
in the list that have not as yet made
an effort should send in a subscrip-
tion sure "BANNER DAY". It is
an opportunity to get even with the
others. Nearly every candidate in
the list will send in at least one sub-
scription. Therefore, be sure that you
send in at least one. In fact it would
not be a bad idea to send in two, and
be one ahead.

Great Interest.
Two or three readers of The Tri-
bune and Times telephoned this office
saying that they expected to enter
the race in a week or two, when, as they
explained it, the interest of the cam-
paign will be at fever heat which will
make it much easier to secure sub-
scriptions. Well, perhaps that will be
a good time to enter, but we want you
to understand now that now is the
best time, for now you can enter the
race, secure the necessary informa-
tion and receipt books, and by get-
ting at least one subscription on
next Saturday, February 13th "Ban-
ner Day" you will be enabled to
make an even start with the other

KANNAPOLIS NEWS.

Several Kannapolis People in Times
Tribune Contest.—Postmaster Gil-
lam Moves.—Trained Nurse Kept
Busy.—Personals.

Messrs. H. W. Owens, Sam A. Per-
kins, Revs. J. F. Black and C. C.
Myers are in Spartanburg as dele-
gates from the Y. M. C. A. here, at-
tending the thirteenth interstate
convention of the Y. M. C. A.

Melvin B. Ricks, of the Cannon
Manufacturing Co.'s office force,
spent Sunday in China Grove with
relatives.

Mrs. H. A. Scott and little son,
Leroy, are at home, after a visit to
relatives in Statesville.

The dry goods stores are having a
special sale and all report good busi-
ness for January.

W. C. Graham and family have
moved to their new home in North
Kannapolis.

Mrs. Joe Estridge, of East avenue,
who has been very low with pneu-
monia, is reported much better.

Mr. Whitner and family, of East
avenue, will move next week to Rock
Hill, S. C. While the Whitener fam-
ily have lived in Kannapolis only two
years they have made many warm
friends, who hate to see them leave,
but wish for them good luck in their
new home.

Zinnery Price and family are now
living in the rooms vacated by Mr.
Graham and family.

Several of our young people are
in the Times and Tribune contest, so
watch our for your opportunity to
subscribe for your daily or semi-
weekly paper when your turn comes.

Postmaster Gilliam and family have
moved to Church street. Mr. Simons
and family will occupy the
house vacated by Mr. Gilliam.

Mr. Evans and Miss Jenkins are
now boarding with Mrs. Owens on
Ridge avenue.

Miss Jenkins, our trained nurse, is
kept busy on her daily rounds. There
are several cases of illness.

Ed. Johnson has a position with
Lowe Bros. as salesman.

Elmer and Ralph Owens are ill
with measles.

Mrs. Tom Thompson, who has been
ill is much improved.

Miss Hundley, of Walnut street,
who has been ill, left Tuesday for
Danville, Va., to go to the hospital.

Mr. W. H. Miller and family have
moved to Davidson.

PROFOUND SENSATION CREATED IN ENGLAND

All Interest Centres on What Course
Neutrals Will Adopt.—Decision of
the United States Awaited With
Interest.

(By The Associated Press)
London, Feb. 1.—The German de-
claration of unrestricted war at sea
has created a profound sensation in
England, where it was unexpected.

All interest centers on course neu-
trals will adopt.

The decision of the United States
is awaited with the most intense in-
terest, as it is recognized it will have
strong influence on other neutrals, and
will be the most important factor in
the solution of one of the most se-
rious crises of the war.

Officials declined to discuss the
question formally. It is pointed out
that inasmuch as the note is ad-
dressed to neutrals, it is essentially
for them to deal with. At a later
time application of the measures with
which the note deals may involve
questions affecting entente nations,
as well as neutrals, but for the pres-
ent, it is desired to avoid expression
which may be open to the construc-
tion that influence or pressure is be-
ing exerted in regard to the decision
the neutral nations will make.

There is reason to believe those in
the inner circles were aware of
what was coming, and had consid-
ered measures to be taken. The re-
cent naval conference held here is
understood to have gone over this
subject.

Information available then was
that Germany would use the rejection
by the allies of her peace proposals
in justification of the intensified naval
warfare.

New York Hearings to Be Closed.

(By The Associated Press)
New York, Feb. 1.—The members
of the "leak" investigation commit-
tee before reconvening today said
that on account of the international
situation they probably would close
the New York hearings today and
return to Washington immediately.

First Infantry Will Leave El Paso Before Night.

(By The Associated Press)
San Antonio, Tex., Feb. 1.—The
First North Carolina Infantry is
scheduled to start for home from El
Paso before night.

candidates. This is your OPPOR-
TUNITY make the most of it. Get
in the swim; get your "Banner Day"
subscription and start on your way to
glorious success.

Extreme Gravity of Situation Realized

DEFINITE STEPS ALREADY BE-
GUN TO BE FORMULATED.

THE NEAR POSSIBILITIES OF WAR

The Contingencies Suggested Are:
Passports for Von Bernstorff, Or-
ders for Recall of Ambassador Ger-
rard, Warning to Berlin That
Breach of Germany's Pledges Will
Mean Severance of Relations, or
Waiting for Some Overt Act Which
Would Bring American Government
to Point of Action.—Col. House is
Summoned to White House.

(By The Associated Press)
Washington, Feb. 1.—President
Wilson and Secretary Lansing dis-
cussed the submarine situation for an
hour today after Mr. Lansing had
worked all the morning on a document
which he took with him to the White
House.

After the conference, Secretary
Lansing refused categorically to say
what had been decided upon.

A warning to Germany that a sever-
ance of diplomatic relations will
follow the putting into effect their
campaign of ruthlessness as she has
announced, or an actual severance on
the German announcement as it
stands are among the possibilities.
There is no official ground, however,
for stating that either of these courses
has been selected, although one is
generally expected.

It is expected that a course of ac-
tion has been decided on, but it is
said that certain steps must be taken
before it is announced.

Near Possibility of War.

Washington, Feb. 1.—Face to face
with a situation frankly admitted on
all sides as containing near possibili-
ties of war, President Wilson will de-
termine what answer the United
States shall make to German's cam-
paign of submarine ruthlessness.

Passports for Count von Bernstorff,
orders of recall for Ambassador Ger-
rard, solemn warnings to Berlin that
a breach of her pledges means the
severance of diplomatic relations, or
tense waiting for an overt act which
would sweep aside diplomacy and
bring the American government to the
point of action are among the con-
tingencies which fill the situation to-
day.

President Wilson conferred with
Col. E. M. House, his friend and ad-
viser, who was hurriedly summoned
from New York. Early today he had
not called any meeting of the cabinet,
nor any conference with foreign af-
fairs of Congress, who have been as-
sured of being taken into President
Wilson's confidence before diplom-
atic relations are broken off.

Situation Viewed With Extreme Gravity.

Washington, Feb. 1.—After an
hour's conference between President
Wilson and Secretary Lansing, it be-
came known today that the German
situation is viewed with extreme grav-
ity and that the American govern-
ment already has begun to formulate
definite steps.

It was regarded as not impossible
that action of some kind already had
been taken, but there was no indica-
tion of its nature.

It was also indicated that no an-
nouncement of the course of the gov-
ernment would be made until some
steps had been taken through the
Navy Department and a treaty for
the safeguarding of American ports
and other interests.

It was disclosed that President
Wilson and Secretary Lansing had a
conference last night although it was
then denied they had conferred at all.

It was indicated today that before
the course of the United States has
been made public here were certain
necessary steps be taken.

Senator Hitchcock, Democrat,
member of the Senate Foreign Rela-
tions Committee, was at the White
House early today, but he said he did
not discuss the submarine question.

Lansing Goes to White House

Washington, Feb. 1.—Just before
noon Secretary Lansing, after work-
ing alone in his office all the morn-
ing, went to the White House for a
conference with President Wilson.
Secretary Lansing would not discuss
the situation at all, and refused to
answer any questions as to whether
any action had been taken.

A Break Seems Inevitable.

Washington, Feb. 2.—After the
conference the opinion became gener-
ally prevalent in official quarters
that a break in diplomatic relations
with Germany seemed inevitable, al-

though it was thought probable that
an ultimatum or warning to the Ber-
lin government might precede this ac-
tion. The view was taken widely in
official quarters that the United States
could not let the situation stand un-
challenged.

Lansing Refuses to Make Statement.

Washington, Feb. 1.—After con-
fering with President Wilson for an
hour Secretary Lansing refused flatly
to make any statement or indicate
what action had been decided upon.

CANNONVILLE NEWS.

Mr. Widenhouse Out Again.—Social Gathering of Interest.—Personals.

Mr. Frank Thompson, of Asheville,
is spending several weeks with his
mother, Mrs. J. M. Thompson.

Mrs. G. L. Little and children, of
Winston, are spending the week with
the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs.
R. A. McGraw.

Messrs. Frank, William and Mar-
shal Kindley, of Winston-Salem,
spent Sunday in our village.

The many friends of Mr. W. L.
Widenhouse are glad to see him able
to be out again, after being confined
to his home on account of injuries he
received by falling.

Our people are very much inter-
ested in the home-coming of Company L,
as we have a number of young men
from every part of town on the bor-
der.

A social gathering of much interest
was the party Monday night, given by
Miss Cleo Davis in honor of her
brother, Mr. Luther Davis, who re-
cently returned from the United
States Navy. The following young
people spent the evening with Miss
Davis: Misses Rebecca Alexander,
Onie Griffin, Lottie Tucker, Janie
Thompson, Ollie Eagle and Lillie
Brantley. Messrs. Homer Ritchie,
Frank Barringer and C. A. Barnes.

Mr. T. F. Blume has resigned his
position as overseer of spinning at
these mills and accepted a position as
cader with the Norcott Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McGraw and
Mrs. M. A. Chaney spent Sunday eve-
ning with Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Mc-
Lester, at China Grove.

A petition is being circulated and
largely signed by the property own-
ers to have Kerr Street paved from
Depot Street to McGill.

Mrs. W. B. Sides and children, of
Rocky Ridge, spent Sunday with Mr.
and Mrs. H. C. Davis.

DOINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE.

Drastic Pistol Law.—No Material Change in Educational Policy.— Other Matters.

(Special to The Tribune)
Raleigh, Feb. 1.—The Senate this
morning passed a drastic law aimed
at carrying of pistols in North Car-
olina, providing for a minimum fine
for the first offense of \$51.00, or 31
days imprisonment.

Five education bills, designed to
make uniform appointment of school
boards through the central commis-
sion; elect county boards in all the
counties by people; elect county
boards and county superintendents in
all the counties; nominate all the
county boards in the Democratic pri-
maries, and one measure solely for
Person County went upon the un-
favorable calendar today.

These were the bills which were
heard in the joint committee mtg-
ings Tuesday afternoon and evening.
A conference this mornig of the com-
mittee eliminated all. In view of the
reports today, it is accepted that
there will be no material change in
the educational policy.

The House today passed a state-
wide boiler inspection law, with \$5.00
fee attached to it, the salary of \$1-
800 for the inspector being paid by
the boiler owners.

THE WHEAT MARKET.

Extreme Break of 15 1/2 Cents During First Minute of Trading.—Rally of 6 Cents Made in Five Minutes.

(By The Associated Press)
Chicago, Feb. 1.—An extreme break
of 15 1/2 cents in values took place
in the first minute of wheat trading
today. Rallies of 6 cents from the
lowest level was made in 5 minutes,
and although wild fluctuations inter-
vened, 3 cents more of recovery was
shown.

Fresh declines ensued. Opening
prices ranged all the way from 3/8 to
14 1/4 down, as compared with yester-
day's finish, May starting with 156 to
163 and July at 136 to 140.

Get the habit of shunning gossip
as you would a pestilence.

COMMITTEE MEETING.

Committee Appointed to Make Plans to Welcome Soldiers' Home Met This Morning.

The committee appointed Tuesday
to welcome home the members of Co.
L, met at the library this morning at
10 o'clock, with Mayor C. A. Isem-
hour, chairman, presiding. All of the
committees were represented at the
meeting, and reports were made to
show that they all had been busy
since the meeting Tuesday.

Mrs. M. L. Marsh, chairman of the
refreshment committee, gave out fol-
lowing menu, which her committee de-
cided on: Ham sandwiches, beef
sandwiches, hard boiled eggs, cheese,
pickle, cake and coffee. This was
adjudged as a most excellent "feed"
for the soldiers, and it was moved
and adopted that this menu be served
to them.

The programme committee report-
ed that it seemed best to have the
reception on the day or night the sol-
diers returned, as those living in the
country would not want to come back
the following day. So it was decid-
ed to have the affair as soon as the
boys reached Concord. This commit-
tee was also asked to investigate and
see as to the most suitable place to
have the reception. The Elks' Home
was suggested, and this matter will
be brought to the attention of the
Elks. If this place cannot be se-
cured, it was decided to serve the
boys at Central School.

The finance committee suggested
that the city and the county be asked
to pay the expenses of the Home
Coming, rather than ask the ladies to
make a canvass from house to house.
It was moved that the mayor ask the
city aldermen and the county com-
missioners for an appropriation to
meet the expenses. He will call a
meeting of the aldermen for the pur-
pose, and will appear before the coun-
ty commissioners at their regular
meeting Monday.

The programme committee also stat-
ed that it had been decided to have
representatives from all of the frat-
ernal orders at the station, together
with the different organizations, and
these orders have agreed to appoint
representatives. The plans for the
parade have been completed, the com-
mittee reported, and everything is in
readiness for the soldiers.

The committee wishes to express
thanks to the proprietors of the Pied-
mont Cafe, who most generously of-
fered their cafe or anything else that
will be of service.

The committee adjourned this
morning to meet again Monday after-
noon at 5 o'clock, when it will be
definitely known what appropriation
will have been made; where the re-
ception is to be held; and when the
soldiers are expected home.

VESSLS TO PROCEED AS PER SCHEDULE

Regardless of Issuance of German Note.—Announcement Made in New York.

(By The Associated Press)
New York, Feb. 1.—Although rep-
resentatives here of the leading al-
lied shipping lines said today that
movements of their vessels would
proceed as scheduled, regardless of the
German note defining a new naval
warfare, it was understood on good
authority that the movement of all
ships will be controlled to a greater
degree than heretofore by orders of
the British admiralty.

Prompt action will be taken, how-
ever by the representatives of neu-
tral lines, whose vessels have been
touching at Kirkwall and Falmouth
for examination. The Danish passen-
ger steamer Hellig Olav, booked to
leave today for Copenhagen, was or-
dered to remain here until further
notice. A similar action was taken
by the Holland-American line, which
has five ships in American ports.

Representatives of these lines ex-
pect definite orders soon regarding
th future movements of their ships.
From the representatives of sev-
eral shipping companies it was
learned they were doing nothing
pending the receipt of expected "offi-
cial orders."

REPUBLICAN SENATOR STANDS BY PRESIDENT

It is Desirable That the Senate Aid
the President in Securing World
Peace.

(By The Associated Press)
Washington, Feb. 1.—Prefacing a
prepared address on world peace to-
day, Senator McCumber, Republican,
of North Dakota, referred to the Ger-
man submarine blockade, and declar-
ed that while it was in opportune for
the Senate to invade the field of di-
plomacy, it was more than ever de-
sirable for it to aid the President in
securing world peace.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Generally fair and decidedly cold-
er tonight and Friday, with a severe
cold wave, Northwest gales, diminish-
ing.

COTTON BREAKS \$25 A BALE TODAY

MAY BROKE 516 POINTS IN TEN
MINUTES.

LATER RALLIES TO SEVENTEEN CENTS

This is the Biggest Break in Such a
Short Time in the History of the
Market.—After the Violent Liq-
uidation Had Somewhat Subsided,
May Rallied to 14 1-2, and Before
the End of the First Hour Had
Gone to 17 Cents, or Only 16 Points
Under Last Night's Closing.—
Wheat and Stock Markets Also De-
moralized.

(By The Associated Press)
New York, Feb. 1.—Cotton broke
wide open on the call in the future
market today under a tremendous
wave of selling. May contracts drop-
ped 373 points. This break amount-
ed to more than \$25 a bale, and the
market was absolutely demoralized.

May contracts broke to 12.50 with-
in 10 minutes, 516 points under last
night's closing figures, making the
biggest break in such a short time in
the history of the market. Reports
of the conditions on the stock mar-
ket increased the excitement, but af-
ter the most violent liquidation had
somewhat subsided May rallied to 14
on the covering.

Before the end of the first one-
half hour May had rallied to 17c or
4 1-2 cents from the lowest, and
within 16 points of last night's clos-
ing figures. The sensational break
brought in a few buying as well as
covering shorts, but the shock of the
unprecedented rapidity of the decline
was still evident in the confusion
and excitement.

Cotton futures opened demoralized
March, 15.75 to 13.75; May,
14.00 to 12.50; July, 13.90 to 14.50;
October 14.50 to 15.70; December,
15.50 to 16.05.

Stocks Break Violently.

New York, Feb. 1.—Stocks broke
with extreme violence in today's early
dealings, the new Germany policy pre-
cipitating enormous liquidation. The
declines of stock of all descriptions
ranged from 5 to over 20 points, United
States Steel making a gross re-
cession of 13 points to 99, with 26
points for Bethlehem Steel on a
single sale. Shipping shares were
conspicuously weak. Marine Preferred
losing almost 18 points, with 13
for the Atlantic Gulf and West In-
dies. All so-called war specialties
crumbled 7 to 10 points, and coppers
yielded 8 to 15 with a decline of 3 to
5 in the leading rails. Supporting
orders resulted in rallies of 3 to 10
points after the first selling move-
ment.

Wheat Off.

Chicago, Feb. 1.—The wheat
market today opened at a decline of
from 11 1-8 to 12 5-8 cents. May
sold at \$1.60 according to the first
figures posted, and July at \$1.38.

GERMAN FREIGHTER AT CHARLESTON SCUTTLED

Help Was Declined by Officer, Who
Gave No Reason for Refusing.

(By The Associated Press)
Charleston, S. C., Feb. 1.—The
German freighter Liebenfels, tied up
since the outbreak of the war began
to sink slowly this morning, with in-
dications, marine men said, that she
had been scuttled. After gradually
doing down until the stern rails were
within a few feet of the water, and
her bow keel almost visible, the set-
tling apparently was arrested.
Whether are not she sinks, she has
been so badly damaged that it would
take some time to make her sea-
worthy.

When it was observed the ship was
sinking, a tug towed alongside and
offered to help, which was declined by
the officer of the Liebenfels. He gave
no reason for refusing assistance.

THE COTTON MARKET.

Announcement of Blockade a Sur- prise to the Cotton Trade.

(By The Associated Press)
New York, Feb. 1.—The German
blockade announcement came as an
absolute surprise to the cotton trade
and was followed by a sensational
break. May sold off to 12.50 or 516
points under last night's close, ral-
lied to 17 cents, and then broke a
cent a pound before the end of the
first hour. Options slumped 124
to 403 points, subsequently rallied,
and then fluctuated wildly, including
May contracts. Much confusion and
excitement followed.