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COUNT CZERNIN RESIGNS FOREIGN MINISTER

Austro-Hungarian in Bad Because of His Peace Fares and Also Because of Anger of Germans—Will Continue Office Until His Successor is Named.

By the Associated Press.
Amsterdam, April 15.—Count Czernin, the Austro-Hungarian foreign minister, according to a dispatch from Vienna, has resigned. Emperor Charles accepted the resignation and entrusted Count Czernin with the conduct of foreign affairs until his successor can be appointed.

THE REASON

By the Associated Press.
The recent publication by the French government of the futile peace appeal sent out by Emperor Charles of Austria-Hungary in March, 1917, and the efforts of the emperor and the Austro-Hungarian foreign office to explain this letter to the satisfaction of Germany and the German emperor probably was the most potent influence in causing his downfall.

Since he was appointed foreign minister December 23, 1916, in succession to Baron Burián, Count Czernin has been very active in attempting to bring about peace and the marked tone of his speeches has been in sharp contrast with that of the German chancellor.

DEEPLY INTERESTED

By the Associated Press.
Washington, April 15.—No official word of the reported resignation of Count Czernin has been received by the government today and all officials were deeply interested in the report and it was recognized that the development undoubtedly was the outgrowth of Czernin's declaration that France had been ready to accept peace.

FUNERAL OF STONE BE HELD WEDNESDAY

By the Associated Press.
Washington, April 15.—Official Washington turned from its war duties today to attend the funeral of Senator Stone of Missouri, chairman of the senate foreign relations committee, who died yesterday at his home here.

GERMANS GIVEN SOME HARD FIGHTING

By the Associated Press.
With the British Army in France, April 15.—The battle about Neuve Eglise near the Belgian border, which has been retaken by the Germans, continued to rage this morning with the same intensity that has marked it for days and the British are pounding the Germans hard.

Seven Attacks Against British

By the Associated Press.
London, April 15.—Seven attacks by the Germans in the Meriville sector of the northern battle front have been repulsed by the British, who inflicted heavy losses on the attackers, it was officially announced today.

CANDIDATES SLOW TO GET IN RUNNING

Raleigh, April 15.—Delay in the entrance of the vast majority of expected candidates this year moves the secretary of the board of elections to warn prospective runners that they have only six days in which to file their intentions.

Saturday, April 20, will be the last day on which a candidate for office that is as large as a senatorial district and upward, can enter. And if he does not enter the primary he cannot go before the people. The list of entrants thus far is very small relatively. There are six candidates for nominations on the Supreme court bench; two for the United States senate; and about four aspirants for congress in the eighth district; but neither the Republicans nor the Democratic judicial candidates have sent in their fees, neither candidate for the senate, John Motley Morehead and Senator F. M. Simmons, has come over with his announcement and the few days remaining moves the state board of elections to send out the warning.

The Republican platform plank for the repeal of the primary law, one act that the party had demanded pretty vociferously in 1914, finds partial explanation in the cost of entrance. A man who is to be sacrificed purely to cohere the party, must put up his money just the same. For the glorious uncertainty of politics there must be a cash consideration. A little thing like that does not worry John Morehead or J. J. Jenkins, but in the seven or nine dead sure Democratic districts it is hard luck on Republicans who must pay if they run.

Quite a few candidates are in for all the tardiness of entrance. The men who are being most opposed are Supreme court judges. Judge T. H. Calvert, of the seventh, Wake and Franklin, has four opponents and Solicitor J. E. Norris, of the same district, has one man to beat as solicitor, Representative S. A. Newell of Louisville. In the 13th which has Judge W. J. Adams, one of the finest on the bench, John T. Bennett, of Rockingham, is out and in the 18th, Judge Mike Justice is having to put down Welch Galloway, of Brevard, Judge Frank Carter, in the 19th; Judge E. B. Cline, in the 17th; and Judge G. S. Ferguson, in the 20th, are out this year and the candidates are thick. Nearly all have tossed their coin into the hat here and are ready.

Three candidates are after the solicitorship in the 18th. They are Mike Schenck, incumbent; Dred D. Hamrick, Rutherford; and Geo. M. Fritchard, Marshall, the latter two Republicans. Johnson J. Hayes, incumbent, in the 17th, is the solitary Republican solicitor and thus far he has no opposition.

JAPAN WOULD STOP GERMAN EXPANSION

By the Associated Press.
A Pacific Post, April 15.—Viscount Ishii, Japanese ambassador to the United States, succeeding Ambassador Gresham here today en route for Washington.

Discussing Japanese intervention in Siberia, Viscount Ishii said that if the Japanese government decided to send a force into Siberia, such would be for the advantage of the allies and not Japan.

"Germany may establish bases in Pacific waters by a successful drive through Siberia," he said.

"In this event," he continued, "it would be up to Japan to sweep them away. We cannot guarantee that Japan could do this, but we would do our best, and we must not relax our vigilance."

FRENCH ATTACK

By the Associated Press.
Paris, April 15.—On the front above Montdidier the French made a successful local attack last night, taking prisoners, the war office announces.

THOMAS CASE IS CONTINUED TO FRIDAY

By the Associated Press.
Chicago, April 15.—The case of Dr. William Isaac Thomas, the Chicago University professor, charged with disorderly conduct, was continued in the morals court until next Friday. Mrs. Mary Grainger, wife of an army officer in France, with whom the doctor is alleged to have registered at a hotel, was not in court. She was said to be at the home of Mrs. Thomas.

Mrs. Thomas' interest in young Mrs. Grainger—she is 24 while the professor is 65—showed no signs of abatement today.

Years ago she had accepted her husband's advanced theories of relations between men and women—the "wider view"—as many intellectuals term it, and she is now mothering both the girl and her husband. The girl says she has called "a silly little thing" and her husband "a silly little boy."

"So silly of him," she said.

TO REPEAL CHARTER OF ODISIOUS SOCIETY

By the Associated Press.
Washington, April 15.—Repeal of the federal charter of the national German-American Alliance was approved unanimously today by the senate judiciary committee. The bill of Senator King of Utah for amendment of the charter was unanimous, even after the alliance had declined to disband.

PAGE ISSUES WARNING TO EATING HOUSES

Raleigh, April 15.—The hotel and restaurant men of North Carolina who have not been observing the conservation program of the food administration will be required to walk a chalk line from now on.

A number of North Carolina hotel men, with several hundred other important hotel men of the country, have pledged themselves to banish wheat products from their bills of fare until the next harvest. The food administration does not think that it is fair to the hotels and restaurants that are cooperating, to the households that are cooperating, and to the least of our allies in Europe, to allow any unparliamentary, self-interested, establishments to disregard the wheat saving problem. State Food Administrator Henry A. Page has addressed a frank, vigorous letter to the hotels and restaurants in the state which is designed to secure their immediate and rigid observance of the entire conservation program.

The organized and independent traveling men of the state are cooperating with the food administration in this matter and it will be a lucky hotel or restaurant that disregards the food administration's orders or rulings and gets away with it.

ONLY HOOPER LEFT OF FAMOUS OUTFIELD

By the Associated Press.
Boston, April 15.—Harry Hooper was the only member of the famous outfield of the Boston Athletics to appear in the line-up of the Red Sox to oppose the Philadelphia Athletics in the opening game of the league season here today.

CHILDREN HONORED WHO WRITE WELL

The results of the Palmer writing system, under the supervision of Miss Velma Martin, are beginning to show very favorably in the two grammar schools. Some time ago, Miss Martin sent off her first batch of drills, and about half of the pupils were successful in securing the button which the Palmer Company awards for satisfactory progress. Last week she sent off fourteen sets of drills, and every one of the children was successful in securing the coveted award. She will send another and larger number of drills each week from now until commencement, and it is confidently expected that she will have quite a large number of star pupils (button pupils as Palmer calls them) to show for her year's work.

Writing has been for years one of the neglected subjects of the public school curriculum, and it is a pleasure for Hickory to know that it has been successfully revived here this year, and that the pupils, after only one year of the new method, give promise of becoming splendid penmen ever before reaching the high school. Those securing the buttons last week are:

- South School
Seventh grade—Willis Pollard.
Sixth grade—Nancy Hall, Albert Odum, Mary Phillips, Hayden Cansler.
- North School
Seventh grade—Pink Huggins, Elizabeth Moore, Nina Fry.
Sixth grade—Louise Cline, Katherine Brewer, Thelma Flowers.
Fifth grade—Blanche Harris, Charles Poovey.
Fourth grade—Edith Sublett.

REGISTRANTS TO FIVE ARE KILLED IN RAILROAD WRECK

By the Associated Press.
New York, April 15.—Five soldiers were reported killed, eight seriously injured and 35 slightly injured in a wreck on the Long Island railroad near Iltit, N. Y. All of the dead and injured are said to be stationed at Camp Upton. The injured were removed to hospitals.

The hospital authorities in refusing to disclose names of the killed and injured said government officials had charged of the situation and had ordered that no information be given out.

A car near the middle of the 13-car train jumped the track, taking the others with it. The accident is believed to have been the result of a broken rail.

TO ARREST WOMEN ENEMY ALIENS, TOO

By the Associated Press.
Washington, April 15.—Many German and Austrian women are under surveillance by government agents and will be arrested and interned as soon as President Wilson signs the bill including women as enemy aliens.

It was said today the number will be about 100.

OVER HALF BILLION IN BONDS ARE SOLD

By the Associated Press.
Washington, April 15.—Liberty loan subscriptions tabulated by the treasury officials today showed a total of \$620,947,556, which is 67,000,000 more than was reported Saturday.

This did not include reports from the Minneapolis district, which started its campaign today.

GLEE CLUB PLEASES HICKORY AUDIENCE

The Wake Forest Glee Club and Orchestra came, played and conquered Saturday night—and conquered an audience that was perfectly willing to be conquered at that. The Academy of Music was filled with music lovers and the Wake Forest boys gave them all they asked for—all except young Mills, who responded three times to encores, and then drew a big laugh by his get-away.

The program was one of lively airs for the most part, including stirring patriotic music. Voice and instrumental numbers were good, reflecting due credit on Dr. Hubert M. Potter, the director.

During the course of the entertainment Rev. W. R. Bradshaw made a splendid talk and he was followed by Col. Harley B. Ferguson, commander of a regiment of engineers at Camp Sevier. Colonel Ferguson talked with a soldier's directness and frankness. He gave a rapid glimpse of camp life and told the audience what it meant to go over there. It could not be possible, he thought, that any Americans who stayed at home would find it hard to help furnish the men who fight the battles.

The army is all right, he said, and the home population should be as loyal as the fighters.

BIG FROST SUNDAY, DAMAGE NOT GREAT

The worst frost in several weeks occurred Saturday night and early Sunday morning the ground was thick with a white coat. In low places the frost nipped potatoes and fruit, but in high places the damage must have been small. Examination of fruit trees yesterday proved satisfactory to a number of men who know when damage has been done, and it is believed that there will yet be a pretty fair fruit crop.

NEW YORK COTTON

By the Associated Press.
New York, April 15.—The cotton market showed continued excitement and feverishness early today. The opening was firm at an advance of 3 to 28 points, which was promptly followed by bullish and spot advices. July and October shortly after the call sold up 36 to 45 points net higher, but the advance met heavy southern selling. This seemed to create an impression that hedges were being sold against spot cotton and the market soon weakened under a renewal of general liquidation.

The close was steady.

	Open	Close
May	30.65	28.95
July	30.47	26.60
October	28.97	27.40
December	28.75	27.10
January	28.66	27.62

HICKORY MARKETS

Cotton	31c
Wheat	\$2.40
Corn	\$1.75

WEATHER FORECAST

For North Carolina: Fair tonight and Tuesday. Slightly warmer tonight in northeast portion, light variable winds.

BRITISH LINES IS STEADY IN FACE OF BIG ATTACKS

Germans Unable to Budge Haig's Men at Important Points—Neuve Eglise is Storm Center Now—British Improve Their Positions on Part of Front.

ANOTHER DRAFT CALL FOR 300,000 MEN

Washington, April 15.—Another draft call for 300,000 registrants has been sent to governors of states by Provost Marshal General Crowder. Mobilization of the men is ordered for May 1 and 10, the war department announced last night, and they will be sent to 11 forts and recruiting barracks, probably for training with regular units there.

This call increases to more than 300,000 the number of select men ordered to camp since late in March. This is far in excess of the monthly average that would have been mobilized under the original plan to call 800,000 men this year over a nine-month period.

Under President Wilson's determination to hasten the dispatch of American troops to France the whole program of the army is speeding up. Only a week ago General Crowder ordered mobilization of 150,000 select men for April 26.

Although every state and the District of Columbia are called upon to furnish men under General Crowder's latest order, nearly half of the 300,000 men will come from seven states. Illinois will supply by far the largest number, its quota being 80,477. Pennsylvania is next with 37,776. New York 3rd with 5,542. Michigan fourth with 2,593. Missouri fifth with 2,163. Wisconsin sixth with 2,135, and Ohio seventh with 2,050. Nevada has the lowest quota—49.

The quotas for other states follows: North Carolina, 481. South Carolina, 289. Virginia, 756. Tennessee, 442.

CLEAN-UP WEEK IN HICKORY TOMORROW

Tomorrow will inaugurate Clean-Up Week in Hickory and every day up to and including Friday the city wagons will make their rounds, visiting the first ward Tuesday, the second Wednesday, the third Thursday and the fourth Friday.

If you do not recall what you will live in, be sure to ask and be prepared for the wagons. All trash should be placed in boxes or barrels at a convenient place in front of the house, so as not to delay the teams.

Today was spent in cleaning up the business district.

SEARCH IS BEGUN FOR LOST COLLIER

By the Associated Press.
Washington, April 15.—Orders for the greatest efforts to find the missing naval collier Cyclops, overdue a month, went out today to American ships. In addition allied patrol vessels in the South Atlantic have joined in the search.

Secretary Daniels said today, however, that he still clung to the hope that the vessel would report, as many other ships had done, after being given up as lost.

RED CROSS MEETING PLANS BIG DRIVE

Red Cross representatives numbering 65, from towns and cities of the state of North Carolina, convened in an all-day session at Charlotte Friday for the purpose of hearing the plan of the proposed big drive of the American Red Cross Society May 20-27, when Hickory and all other North Carolina chapters will be called upon to raise their apportionment of \$100,000,000 the National organization proposed to raise.

The business session was held at the Y. M. C. A. Auditorium and was addressed by Wickes Wanbold, campaign director, Willis J. Miller, Jr., Director of Publicity, Hubert V. Carson, Director of the Speaking Bureau, and M. L. Postelwaite, Campaign Director for the State of North Carolina. Each explained the work of their respective departments to the workers, and distributed a comprehensive booklet filled with information regarding the campaign.

At two thirty the workers all assembled at the Selwyn Hotel for luncheon, after which they were addressed by Dr. Esther Clayton Lovejoy, an eminent surgeon who has been in service in France. Dr. Lovejoy is a splendid speaker and held her audience spellbound at times, while at other times she was greeted with tremendous applause as she made point after point in the forceful English the brutality of the unfeeling Hun.

Those present from Catawba county were: Dr. W. H. Nicholson, A. A. Shuford, Jr., and A. K. Joy, representing the Hickory Chapter and L. F. Long, representing the Newton Chapter.

Turning Point in Big Battle

By the Associated Press.
Washington, April 15.—"The turning point in the battle on the west front is being reached," says the war department's review of the military situation for the week ending April 13, issued today.

"The Germans have failed in their purpose to achieve victory in the field and will soon be forced to resume their old tactics," the statement says.

"We must bear in mind," the review says, "that the enemy is waging a battle of annihilation to achieve victory. He is fighting today with the sole aim of annihilating the British armies. Thus terrain conquered counts for little."

ANOTHER DRAFT CALL FOR 300,000 MEN

By the Associated Press.
The British line on the Lys front near the Franco-Belgian border is holding well against the terrific drive which the Germans are continuing to deliver.

All around the sweeping semi-circle created by the enemy attacks to the southwest of the Messines ridge positions, he was fought to a standstill yesterday and last night and in some localities the British positions were improved by counter strokes.

At only one point did the defense give way in the least. This was at Neuve Eglise, on the extreme lower edge of the spur, where the British have abandoned the village.

The probabilities seem to be that the German tenure of even this small bit of ground will be a short one. The village has changed hands repeatedly during the last four days, and the British once before were in possession of it.

The morning they were back at the Germans here and were reported to be giving them a hard pound- ing.

Large results hinge on the battle further in the salient and in Meriville where the Germans have effected their furthest westward penetration. They are pushing here for Hazebrouk, occupation of which would cut off important railway communications of the British.

The Germans displayed appreciation of this by attacking no less than seven times in the Marville region, five waves being hurled against the British at one time.

This was the only attack that bent the British lines in the slightest and the position here was speedily restored by a counter attack.

The Germans similarly have been failed in their efforts to push further in the Baillieu region and this important town is still in British hands.

Far to the southwest on the Lys front they have failed likewise in their attempts to drive in back of Bethune. The British in local operations here have advanced their lines and pushed the enemy back from the Clarence river. They took 150 prisoners and some machine guns.

BOHEMIANS ARE FRIENDLY TO ALLIES

By the Associated Press.
Amsterdam, April 15.—Thousands of persons gathered in the streets of Prague, capital of Bohemia, denounced the Germans and cheered the entente and President Wilson, says a dispatch from that city to the Lokal Anzeiger of Berlin.

"PLAY TONIGHT"

"Anne of Old Salem" will be presented at Lenoir College auditorium tonight.

Mrs. T. C. Blackburn is spending the day in Charlotte.

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"While it must be admitted that German operations since the beginning of the present offensive have resulted in more than a mere plowing up of the allied trench system and the capture of local objectives along a wide front, nevertheless the aim of the German higher command to obtain a decisive victory has not been obtained.

"The turning point in the west is being reached. The Germans have scored a distinct advantage which it would not be unwise to endeavor to belittle. They have failed to achieve victory in the field and will soon be forced to resume their old tactics—striking first at one point and then at another."