

GERMAN PRESS ASKS PARTY LEADERS FOR SOME INFORMATION

Wants to Know If Submarine Warfare Is to Be Sacrificed

BECAUSE U. S. DEMANDS

Public Should Be Given the Facts, Say Papers. Leaders Delighted Over Settlement Lusitania Matter and Continued Relations

(By the United Press)

Washington, Feb. 15.—A resolution protesting recognition of Germany's order threatening to torpedo armed vessels, was introduced today by Senator Sterling.

By CARL W. ACKERMAN, (United Press Staff Correspondent)

Berlin, Feb. 15.—The Lusitania incident was the center of violent party storms in Germany today. Press attacks were made upon Bethman-Hollweg and Von Jagow for their failure to explain the terms. The papers say the public should know whether concessions were made to cripple the submarine policy.

Party leaders, anxious to please, and desiring good relations, declare they are delighted with the settlement.

NEW YORK REPUBLICANS HOLD STATE CONVENTION

New York, Feb. 15.—The keynote of Republican National principles in the presidential campaign this year was expected to be sounded in the State platform to be adopted by New York Republicans in State convention at Carnegie Hall here today. The so-called Big Four delegates to the National Republican convention in Chicago are to be named today and ratified at the April 4th primaries. Elihu Root opened the convention as temporary chairman. The convention today is expected to commend Governor Whitman's State administration.

NEWS OF THE DAY TOLD IN PARAGRAPHS

(By the United Press)

Waco, Tex., Feb. 15.—The city was voting today on the propriety of Sunday movies.

Columbus, O.—Various problems of practical work in insurance will be considered at the annual meeting of the Federation of Mutual Insurance Associations in Ohio here today.

Winnipeg, Man.—Rumors were current today that the Canadian government plans to take over the Grand Trunk Pacific Railroad from Winnipeg to the Pacific coast, at a cost of \$400,000,000. The government recently took over the portion of the road east of Winnipeg, paying \$200,000,000 for it.

DR. GREIL DEMANDS DAMAGES OF VIENNA

(By United Press)

New York, Feb. 15.—Dr. Cecil L. Greil, American survivor of the Ansonia, is on her way to Washington to press her claim for \$100,000 damages against the Austrian Government.

THIS A DULL DAY ON THE COTTON MARKET

Only three sales of cotton were handled here today, buyers reported. New York futures quotations were:

Open	Close
March	11.85 11.80
May	12.12 12.07
July	12.25 12.20
October	12.35 12.30
December	12.44 12.39

MONSTER U-BOATS TO FIGHT FOR GERMANY

Monitor-Like Submersibles Will Be Commissioned when Order Against Armed Merchantmen Goes into Effect. Statement by London Papers

(By the United Press)

London, Feb. 15.—New submarine monsters, variable floating forts, are to be used by the Germans when they launch their new campaign against armed merchantmen on the first of March, according to the Daily Telegraph.

The new craft will resemble the original American monitors, but can submerge.

BIG STORE AT NEW BERN IS BANKRUPT

(By the Eastern Press)

New Bern, Feb. 15.—J. G. Dunn & Co., owners of a large department store, have filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, and the establishment is now closed. The liabilities and assets of the company have not been made public. A meeting of the creditors is being arranged for.

CHINA MAY BE SPLIT INTO TWO REPUBLICS

Englishmen Say Authorities in South Have Promised Support to Revolution in Event Resistance by Yuan Shi Kai's Army is Overcome

(By the United Press)

London, Feb. 15.—That China will be split into two republics as the result of the revolution in Yunnan province is a statement by well-informed Englishmen returning from the Orient. It is said the authorities in the southern provinces have pledged to help the revolution in the case the government troops are defeated. Yuan Shi Kai is devoting himself to consolidating his position in the north.

TO MEDIATE A. C. L. CONDUCTORS' TROUBLE

Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 14.—Disagreement between the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad and its train conductors because of the railroad's decision to adopt the White system of auditing, will be adjusted by the Federal Board of Mediation and Conciliation, it was announced today after a conference between railroad officials and the general adjustment committee representing the trainmen.

DR. NEWO NEWI NEW AND NEWHOT CULT ON TRIAL BY U. S.

(By the United Press)

San Francisco, Feb. 14.—Inner secrets of the Newhot (correct) cult were booked for the limelight today when Dr. Newo Newi went on trial in Federal court with Mrs. Marie L. T. Graham, charged in indictments with misuse of the mails.

The government charges New with advertising that his religious system, held not to be a religion, could give the secret of youth. It also claimed that New, while preaching purity and abstinence did not practice them. New is said to have described himself as an octogenarian, though he looks to be about 45.

Back of the trial is rumored the story of a woman spurned. The government is said to have gained its information from a woman formerly associated with New.

INTEREST IN ANNUAL ORATORICAL CONTEST

(Special to The Free Press)

West Raleigh, Feb. 14.—Several of the best student speakers at the A. & M. College are actively preparing to compete for the honor of representing the college this year in the intercollegiate oratorical contest which is given annually by the North Carolina Peace Society. The contest, which was held last year in Raleigh, will be held in Durham on or about April 1st. It is probable that at least seven colleges will take part.

GERMAN SUCCESSES IN WEST HAVE BEEN IMPORTANT, STATED

Admitted the French May Have to Drop Back on Part Their Lines

EXPECTING BIG ATTACK

Allies Believe Terrific Bombardment Is Prelude to Gigantic Assault Today. Engaged Along Nearly Entire Front, Reported

(By the United Press)

London, Feb. 15.—The Germans are preparing for a greater offensive in the Champagne region, designed to hurl back the French along fifteen miles of the front. A heavy bombardment has been in progress since yesterday. A great assault is expected before night.

The furious fighting is spreading to every front. It is admitted that the German gains in the last three days have been the most important in many months. Retirement of the French for a part of the distance on their long front may be necessary.

AGGIES' TRACK TEAM TRAINING FOR SPRING

(Special to The Free Press)

West Raleigh, Feb. 15.—Track work has begun on the Techs' cinder path, and each afternoon large numbers of recruits can be seen circuiting the track or taking long cross-country hikes. The team this year will be under the direction of Capt. T. L. Millwee, who has served four years on the Techs' crew with honors coming his way. The cross country meet held at Chapel Hill last fall was won by A. & M.

The following tentative schedule has been announced by Manager F. A. Roberts:

March 25—Wake Forest at Wake Forest.
April 1—Trinity at Raleigh.
April 8—Trinity at Durham.
April 15—V. P. I. at Blacksburg, Va.
April 24—(Easter Monday) Wake Forest at Raleigh.
April 29—Intercollegiate meet at Chapel Hill.

USE GALLOWS FIRST TIME IN ALMOST A QUARTER OF CENTURY

(By the United Press)

Concord, N. H., Feb. 14.—The same old gallows used at the last execution in this State, 23 years ago, will be mounted by Oscar J. Comery, confessed wife murderer, here next Friday morning. Those who chanced to go past the gallows today paused at the sound of hammers whacking upon seasoned wood. It was Sheriff Stearns' men putting the gallows in shape for its first work in nearly a quarter of a century. Sheriff Stearns does not like his job. He will have to tie and blindfold Comery, put the noose about his neck and spring the trap. Stearns is a staunch churchman and opposed to capital punishment, but he says that he has accepted the office he holds, and there is nothing for him to do but do his duty and take the responsibility. Comery, the man to be hanged, received \$500 insurance after his wife died.

KILLED GIRL WHILE DRUNK, MAN DOESN'T KNOW OF CRIME YET

(By the United Press)

Macon, Ga., Feb. 15.—Lying in a drunken stupor in the Bibb jail, J. W. Braxton, a bartender, doesn't know he shot and killed Rosa Eubanks, when firing while drunk from a taxi. Relatives say the man is unshaken.

LIKELY TO BE MORE ARRESTS IN MARION LAMBERT CASE, SAID

State Is Broadening Scope of Investigation—Prosecution Useless, Says the Mother of Girl

(By the United Press)

Waukegan, Ill., Feb. 15.—Further arrests for the mysterious death of Marion Lambert are likely today, State's Attorney Dady declared. Dady planned to question several employees of the McCormick estate, where the father of William H. Orpet, held in connection with the crime, is employed. Orpet maintains his innocence.

The mother of the girl says, "What is the use of prosecuting?" The mother of Orpet declares that her faith in his innocence is unshaken.

MELLEN IS WITHOUT KNOWLEDGE OF ANY MISDEED BRANDEIS

Wires Senate Investigating Committee Couldn't Say That the Supreme Court Nominee Was Employed to Wreck New Haven

(By the United Press)

Washington, Feb. 15.—Charles S. Mellen knows nothing about Louis D. Brandeis' connection with the New Haven Railroad investigation and has no papers to present, he today wired the Senate investigating committee.

C. W. Barron had told the committee that Mellen could show that Brandeis was hired to wreck the New Haven.

MORE THAN SCORE LOST LIVES IN FIRE IN MINE

(By the United Press)

Butte, Mont., Feb. 15.—Rescue squads, wearing helmets, are today forcing their way into the Anaconda mine, where it is believed 24 men died in a mine fire.

ALLIES NOT BEHIND ENGLAND ONE POINT

Believed France, Italy and Russia Look With Disfavor Upon London's Conduct in Issues With the United States—Hints in Diplomatic Circles—Strengthens This Government's Stand

(By the United Press)

Washington, Feb. 15.—There are growing indications in diplomatic circles that Russia, Italy and France are not completely in accord with England on the issues between her and the United States, chiefly the mail seizures differences. This belief is expected to strengthen the stand of this government.

BULLETINS

(By the United Press)

ITALIAN TOWN BOMBED. Rome, Feb. 15.—The Italian city of Schio was bombed by aeroplanes Monday and six persons were killed.

PARLIAMENT REOPENED. London, Feb. 15.—With the Parliament reassembled, Premier Asquith is expected to make announcements of the conduct of the war. The King was unable to be present today, still suffering as a result of his fall some weeks ago from a horse. His message was read in both houses. The galleries were thronged.

MINISTER TO TURKS MAY BE NEW SEC'TY OF WAR, IS REPORT

Rumored That President Will Offer Morgenthau Place in Cabinet

IS NOW ON WAY TO U. S.

Hollis Rural Credits Bill Is Favorably Reported — It Would Lend Farmers 5 Per Cent.—Provides for Non-Partisan Board

(By the United Press)

Washington, Feb. 15.—Officials are interested in the report that President Wilson may offer Garrison's place to Henry Morgenthau, minister to Turkey now on his way to this country. Gossip says the President has postponed the making of his choice to give Morgenthau a chance to get to Washington and be offered the place.

Hollis—Bill Gets Favorable Report. Washington, Feb. 15.—The Hollis Rural Credits Bill promising loans to farmers of not more than five per cent., has been favorably reported to the Senate. It provides for a non-partisan farm loan board to administer the scheme.

Hundreds of Lepers At Liberty, Say. Washington, Feb. 19.—Hundreds of lepers at liberty in the United States are exposing the ignorant of the public to the contagion, leprosy experts today testified, endorsing Senator Ransdell's bill for a national leprosyarium before the public health committee.

SOON WILL BE A LOT MORE WOMEN THAN MEN

(By the Eastern Press)

New Bern, Feb. 15.—The preponderance of females in the world in a few decades will put a stop to war, in the opinion of Dr. Joseph Patterson of this city. Seventy-five per cent of last year's babies in New Bern were girls, he says, and a similar condition existed nearly throughout the world.

WORK BEGINS ON FINE HOME OF CHAS. SCHWAB

Ebensburg, Pa., Feb. 15.—The Roman baths, the sunken gardens, cascades, pergolas, wide, rolling sweeps of green spotted with the rich colorings of rare flowers and all the other luxurious, exquisite and expensive things that will surround "Immergrun," the new million dollar summer home of Steel Magnate Charles M. Schwab, which was started here today, will rival the glory of any other multi-millionaire's summer home in America. The baths, encased in plate-glass, will cost \$150,000, many times the cost of the Roman baths of Lucullus, the most luxurious Roman of them all. Mr. Schwab will walk into his finished palace July 1, 1917. The house proper will cost \$250,000, the gardens \$350,000, and other things some more.

GERMANY WOULD LIKE TO HAVE CANAL RIGHTS

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MISSISSIPPI LEVEE BREAKS NEAR ST. JO., AND FLOODS SECTION

(By the United Press)

Natchez, Miss., Feb. 15.—The main Mississippi river levee, 25 miles above St. Joseph, Mo., has broken, and thousands of acres are being flooded. The gap has widened to a mile. Fifty towns are overflooded. Hundreds of persons are making their way to the highlands.

BARRUS RELINQUISHES RIGHT TO JURY TRIAL

Youth Sentenced to 12 Months On State Farm or \$100 and Costs, Etc., By Recorder for Having Too Much Whisky—He Called for Jurymen But Submitted In Court This Morning

D. Roscoe Barrus, the youth arrested for ownership of nine quarts of whisky taken by the police in a North Queen street building late Saturday, submitted in two cases in the Recorder's Court today. Jurymen had been summoned at Barrus' request, made Monday, but these were dismissed when Barrus announced his decision to submit.

Recorder Wooten sentenced him to 12 months on a State farm or pay a fine of \$100 and costs and enter into a bond of \$500 to refrain from having anything to do with whisky and appear on each first Monday for 12 months to assure the Court that he is complying with its order.

Roland and Richard Faulkner appealed from a decision of the Recorder on Monday that they were technically guilty of violating the law against transporting whisky. Judgment had been suspended upon payment of the costs.

DR. SAM SMALL IS PRINCE OF PULPIT

Tennessee By Birth, Well Educated and Has Served in Numerous Responsible Positions—Lectures Here Wednesday Evening Under Auspices N. C. Anti-Saloon League

Rev. Sam W. Small, the famous Southern evangelist who will lecture in the interest of the Anti-Saloon League in Gordon Street Christian church Wednesday evening, is called "a prince of the pulpit."

He is a man of exceptional attainments. He was born in Knoxville, Tennessee, in the city founded by his family forbears; graduated with high honors from Emory and Henry College in Virginia, and after admission to the bar in Tennessee became private secretary to ex-President Andrew Johnson and followed that statesman's political fortunes to the United States Senate. He holds the literary degrees of A. B. and A. M. from his Alma Mater; Ph. D. from Taylor University. He is a trained journalist, many years editor of leading Southern newspapers, principally the noted "Atlanta Constitution." He is the author of several books. By appointment of President Hayes he served as secretary of the American Commission in Paris in 1878, and as a delegate from this country to the International Literary Congress of that year. He has served in many notable national conventions of political, commercial and reformatory character. While in the United States army in Cuba in 1899 he was military supervisor of public instruction, engaging in the reorganization of the public schools of the island.

In 1885, Mr. Small, then a prominent editor and public official, was converted through the preaching of Rev. Sam Jones, the great Georgia evangelist, and joined with him in holding evangelistic services in all the greater cities of the United States and Canada.

PRISONER BELIEVED CRONE'S ACCOMPLICE

Thought in Chicago That Allegri and Missing Man Were Two Members In This Country of Committee of Fifteen of International Organization Anarchists—Rome Believed to Be Headquarters

(By the United Press)

Chicago, Feb. 15.—The great conspiracy of an anarchistic organization to attack churches and church property is believed to have been uncovered with the arrest of John Allegri in search for Jean Crone, charged with attempting to poison a hundred banqueters a few nights ago. The headquarters of the society are believed to be in Rome. Two of a committee of fifteen are believed to be responsible for the activities in this country.

THE ODDEST STORY IN THE DAY'S NEWS

Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 15.—The ballot may help cupid. The Manitoba Legislature, in a diagnosis of the Temperance act, today ruled that married men will be allowed to keep liquor in their homes, but bachslors will not be allowed to have liquor in their possession. If the act were passed it would be the first time in the history of the province that married men would be allowed to keep liquor in their homes.

MILLS HELP COTTON MARKET AND CREATE WEALTH IN KINSTON

K. C. Directors Given Interesting Facts by President Taylor

REVIEW OF OPERATIONS

Big Plant in East Kinston in 16 Years Has Paid Out \$650,000 For Labor and Almost \$3,000,000 for Raw Material

The directorate of the Kinston Cotton Mills has reorganized for the year. Mr. J. F. Taylor, the General Manager, becomes President in the stead of Mr. N. J. Rouse, who was relieved of his duties as a director. Mr. S. H. Abbott retains the position of Vice-president, and Mr. T. V. Mosley was re-elected Secretary. The Board is comprised by Messrs. Taylor, Mosley, D. Oettinger, H. E. Mosley, Joe Rosenthal of Goldsboro, H. Tull, D. F. Wooten, J. H. Canady, E. R. Rouse of LaGrange and E. B. Marston. President Taylor retains the offices of General Manager and Treasurer.

President Taylor made known the following facts to the directors: That since the mills have entered in operation, about 16 years, they have used 55,000 bales of cotton at an average cost of \$62, making a total of \$2,860,000 expended for cotton. Most of the raw material was purchased here, of course. For labor, \$850,000 has been paid out. Dividends on common stock have amounted to \$106,000, and on preferred stock \$44,519.

Mr. Taylor stated in an interview this morning that the cotton mills have boosted the price of the staple on this market from 1-8 to 1-4 all the time, although the planters probably are not aware of the fact. "We know, because we have bought some little cotton in the towns around this which do not have factories," he said.

Mr. Taylor pointed out the fact that the mills by paying out \$850,000 for labor "created" just that much wealth in the community. The labor employed in lumber mills, on railroads, etc., is not created wealth, because every man capable of such employment is expected to find work and compensation. But a large number of women and others have been given work in the mills by which they have been able to sustain themselves and better their condition. Probably without the mills these would not have been able to find employment for which they were fitted.

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Several senators said they had been informed during the course of the debate that Germany had long sought an option on the canal route; that efforts were made soon after France undertook construction of a canal and had been renewed more recently.