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NEARLY ONE-HALF KAISER'S

so Building More - Nevertheless, between the two contending forces.

rines operating in the North sea, the timated. Arctic and the Atlantic since the beginning of the war have been sunk, today.

"During the last quarter the Gerthey lost in 1916," said Sir Eric.

The output of merchant shipping feat the submarine." in the first nine months of this year. in the corresponding period last year. The admiralty had decided that four new shipbuilding yards would be necessary.

Sir Eric said he regretted it had not been found possible to arrive at a basis of publication of British tonnage losses by submarine action without giving information to the enemy.

ing extent, but the Germans were building them faster than hitherto.

there was afloat on the high seas an increase of 20 per cent in numbers was not aware of what was going on. The men and 30 per cent in tonnage of British ships as compared with April.

war was given as 2,500,000 tons.

fleet had not been sent to assist Russia, he pointed out that such an operation would occupy considerable time and that there were extensive mine fields. Responsible naval opinion was unanimous that the step was not one which should be taken.

At the present time, Sir Eric informed the house, there are 235 dry docks which can be devoted to reof those used for warships.

A reduction of 50 per cent in German merchant shipping. Sir Eric continued, had been caused by the sinking of ships or by their passing into the hands of Germany's enemies.

than they have hitherto done and BALTIMORE VISITED BY U-BOATS HAVE BEEN LOST they have not yet attained their maximum strength. It appears to me, Declares Sir Eric Geddes Before therefore, that in the submarine war-House of Commons-Germans Al-

Must Plan For Long War. London, Nov. 1.—Between 40 and damage than they had hoped and less 50 per cent of the German subma- than the British government had es-

"At the outbreak of the war, Germany possessed over five million tons said Sir Eric Geddes, first lord of the of shipping," he continued. "Today Ohio Railroad at its extensive termiadmiralty, in the house of commons nearly bail of it has been sunk or is

"We must lay our plans for a long war. I see no signs of its being a mans lost as many submarines as short one, and all by their economy flames were discovered the entire can help the navies of the allies de-

FIRST AMERICANS IN

Back in Their Billets.

With the American Army in of the fire. It is reported that the France, Nov. 1.- (By the Associated fire was of incendiary origin. The losses of merchantmen in Oc- Press.)-First battalions of Ameritober, he said, were slightly worse cans in the trenches have been relievthan in September. Enemy subma-rines were being sunk to an increas-sidered one of the critical periods, torboat near the Baltimore and Ohio when the enemy by shelling the approaches to the positions may inflict In September, Sir Eric continued, heavy damage, was accomplished suc-

But who- devoted wholly to navai staff matters. Standard ships aggregating 1,000,-000 tons had been arranged for, he said, and more than half of them said, and more than half of them id, and more than half of them yet to arrive on received body a tired, wet, dirty, mud-caked body The total net reduction of British of men that returned to billets. The the United States. tonnage since the beginning of the war was given as 2,500,000 tons. In the trenches. They were muddy Replying to the criticism that the from their hats to their shoes. Before anything else they required a bath, first with gasolene and then

water. Today the sun was shining bright-ly and the returned soldiers spent themselves the listick stormer which was after and their belongings. Some of the but neither ship was much damaged the day after the transformed a verdict the day after the day af covered with blankets, parts of uni-forms and equipment. Clouds of red pairs of merchant shipping, exclusive dust arose in these places when later the owners started to brush. Tonight the returned battalions are clean and ready to go back again.

Hand-Picked Wheat.

To the Editor of The Journal:-In September, he continued, the It's up to you. Our boys are in The Baltimore and Ohio's loss was royal naval air service carried out 64 France. More are preparing to make estimated tonight by Vice-President Gaston Means' parents in this city. Thompson at \$4,000,000 covered by Means has maintained that he and

WORST FIRE IN YEARS

B. & O. Piers 8 and 9 Were Stored With Food For American Troops; Two Suspects Under Arrest,

Baltimore, Oct. 31. - One of the largest fires in Baltimore since the great conflagration in February, 1904, that destroyed the business section of the city, is raging at midnight on the big plers of the Baltimore and nal at Locust Point on the south side in the hands of ourselves or our al- of the harbor. Piers eight and nine "We must lay plans for a long war," continued Sir Eric. "I see no signs of its being a short one." lies. She has a 50 per cent reduction "We must lay our 14 per cent. """ are stored with vast quantities of "We must lay our plans for a long" ican forces in France and their al-Hes. Within 10 minutes after the structure was ablaze. Fifteen of the crew of a British steamer, lying at the pier, leaped overboard and it is feared some of them were drowned. TRENCHES RELIEVED A dozen or more men employd on Relief Successfully Accomplished and the pier are missing. On one of the piers were some cases of shells which First to Go on Firing Line Are exploded at intervals leading to rumors that the fire department was using dynamite to check the spread

> Two suspects, one a saloon keeper, and the other a stranger, who was department of justice agents investi-

the announced the government's negligible. In fact, more men are traveled at least at present at least at least at present at least at least at present at least a

over the harbor, made the river dan-

All men who were in the fire zone last night are believed to have been accounted for except Eustace Brom o'clock on the evening of ly, chief naval gunner on a British at Blackwelder spring. steamer which was lying at the piers, and Michael J. Hand, a tally clerk, Several stevedores not definitely ac-Means, a brother, and (counted for are believed to have been saved.

TRIED FOR HIS LIFE

Solicitor Clement Has Asked For a Cabarrus County.

GASTON B. MEANS TO BE

of Cabarrus county this morning returned a true bill charging Gaston haps the presence of the woman, who Bullock Means with the murder of had learned to love and trust him, ed by the German and Austro-Hunga-Mrs. Maude A King, wealthy New made the moment harder for him, rian armies in their eight days' drive York and Chicago woman, who was And Colonel Means, the father and hot and killed at Blackwelder pring, near here on August 29. Imediately after the bill was returnd. Means was arraigned in court and witnessed but only as an outsider and pecial venire was summoned from which to select a jury to try him, but Solicitor Clament action of the battle front now olicitor Clement asked a change of venue and court adjourned untit out that the drawing of a jury from 2:30, at which time the defense will Rowan or Iredell would offer a ready make its answer to the affidavit.

Means put in a plea of not guilty. In asking that the trial of Means be removed to another point in this judicial district Solicitor Hayden Clement sets forth the prominence of

H. P. Munro, of the bureau of leged discoveries at a postmortem exmines, Washington, came here today amination of the body of Mrs. King to investigate reports that bombs at Chicago, where it had been car-figured in the explosions at the fire. A heavy pall of smoke, which hung ble for the reopening of the investithe day after the tragedy at Concord that she had met death by an acctdental bullet wound, self-inflicted. Mrs. King was killed about eight

urust 20 ham, apparently for tari,

dactice. Mrs. King was a guest with her sister, Mrs. Mary C. Melvin, at the home of

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will or hands. When the clerk, a life long friend, had taken down ITALIAN TERRITORY OCCUPIED

Change of Venue, Claiming That a God give you a true deliverance," the Fair Trial Cannot Be Secured in dramatic elements of the tragedy of it all seemed to shoot home to Means' consciousness and he fell for the mo-

Concord, Nov. 1 .- The grand jury ment under the sway of emotions that could not be controlled-perveteran lawyer of a thousand legal fronts of the Austro-Italian war battles, became a chief actor in a theatre, scene which hundreds of times he has

> prayer for removal, but it is pointed compromise to the two pleadings, one

Since Assistant District Attorney CARDORNA'S PLANS NOT REthe Means family during 100 years in Dooling and all of his aides are on this vicinity; that the defendant had the ground with the large contingent employed practically all the lawyers of Chicago men, the early hearing of n this city to detend him; that when the murder case will save these men wanted to swear out a warrant from a great deal of incoavenience charging Means with the murder of and, while their going and coming Mrs. King the officers were reluctant will not be material in setting the in issuing same, and that the feeling date of trial, there has been no hint piers, were arrested today by federai displayed against the New York wit- that Judge Osborne or Mr. Cansler gating the \$5,000,000 firs here late gether with articles regarding them case, though a removal to Statesville will ask for a continuance of the The men arrested were taken to the newspaper at Kannapolis, made it await the next term of court in either er town unless a special term is called and that would not head off a delay of ten days or longer.

Therefore, it is believed that the trial will have an early opening. Not less than two days is the limit fixed by lawyers for selecting a jury to try Means.

EIGHT KILLED AND TWENTY-ONE INJURED IN AIR RAID

Barrage Put up to Protect London Disconcerted Raiders, Who Dropped Bombs Indiscriminately.

were killed and 21 others were in- ish troops sent to reinforce them. jured in the German air raid last The American government is to waive night, according to an official state- all export restriction in favor of Italy, ment issued today by the British war permitting that country to take whatdepartment.

up to protect the metropolis seemed large amount of shipping also is to to disconcert the raiders, who drop-ped bombs indiscriminately as they approached. Several of these fell taking supplies overseas. upon open spaces, severely shaking little surburban settlements where there was little or no protection from bombs or the shower of shrapnel.

relay made its appearance. After the

experience of former raids, the pub-

lic now takes to cover as the warn-

ing of an enemy approach is given,

with the result that before the guns

sent up their curtain of shrapnel the

homes. When the bugles sounded

into the streets, but advantage was

taken of the let-down in the tense

tained in Paris.

'All clear," there was no crowding

no force to resist it with his own THOUSAND SQUARE MILES OF

\$1.50 PER YEAS CASH.

Means' plea of not guilty, and had uttered the solemn words, "And may tured, Together With an Excess of 1,000 Guns by Germans.

> Virtually one thousand square miles of Italian territory have been overrun, more than 120,000 Italians have been made prisoners and in excess of 1,000 guns have been capturalong the Isonzo and Carnic Alps

> From the east the enemy invasion on the center of the battle front now liamento river, where it has been presumed that General Cadorna would turn and make a stand. The Italian commander-in-chief, however, has not yet brought his troops about to face the enemy, but is continuing his retreat with the rear guards harassing the advancing enemy.

VEALED

Just where Cadorna proposes to give battle has not become apparent. Neither is it known how well the northern and southern flanks of his army are keeping pace with the retirement in the center.

According to the latest Berlin official communication announcing the heavy losses to the Italians in men and guns, engagements successful for the Teutons have taken place on the Tagliamento plain while the Rome communication announces that there has been fighting on the hills of St. Daniele de Fruill, along the Ledra canal, at points northwest of Udine and from four to five miles east of the Tagliamento.

ALLIES TO RUSH AID

Meanwhile preparations to aid the Italians in their hour of extremity are being rushed by all the allies. Jules Cambon, general secretary of the French ministry of foreign affairs,, in a statement has expressed the convistion that the Italians will be able to stem the tide of the inva-London, Nov. 1 .- Eight persons sion with the aid of French and Britever materials she requires, regard-The heavy barrage which was put less of prospective shortages here. A

NO GIG ACTIONS ELSEWHERE

On other battle fronts no big operations have taken place. The Germans Wednesday made no attempt to force out the Canadians from their As the Germans crossed the coast in relays, the barrage arose as each positions captured the previous day in the region of Passchouderide in the region of Passchendaele. Along the Chemin des Dames and in the Verdun sector intensive bombardments continue.

ders, dropping 2,736 bombs.

UNCEASING WARFARE

Sir Eric Geddes, who made the declaration that between 40 and 50 per cent of the German submarines operating in the North sea, the Atlantic and the Arctic oceans, had been sunk was not the least interesting of his announcements, and there was an indication of the unceasing war the British and American patrols are making on the submarine in his statemeat that during the last quarter the enemy had lost as many submarines as during the whole of 1916.

The first sea lord said he had come to the conclusion that not only does the enemy not know what is being sunk, but that he would like very much indeed to know what is being sunk regularly month by month, or week by week, or even exactly for a period.

Sir Eric, supplementing the recent in Albert hall, said that he could give satisfactory progress in overcoming activities."

"As regards the sinkings of British merchant tonnage by submarines," he said, "the German official figures for August are 808,000 tons of all nationalities. They sank a little more than one-third of that amount of brittish tonnage and a little more than ball de all matient would pay anyone passing through to look over it. Mr. T. J. Gordon, who accom-panied Mr. Henderson on this trip, feels that he now knows how to recognize seed wheat. Mr. Gordon than half of all nationalities.

ties.

"The Germans claim that our tonnage is falling so low that there are rowing, then pack thoroughly with a tory volume for the enemy submarine. In September, last, his lowest month of sinkings, our overseas sail- green. ings of all ships of over 1,600 tons were 20 per cent in number and 30 per cent in tonnage higher than in April. The enemy must, therefore, but do your bit. It's up to you .- X. find another and better explanation for his lack of success.

SUMMARY OF WARFARE

zone there has been steady reduction was lead by a police escort and the in the damage done by the enemy John Marshall high school cadets. submarines. In the meantime we are sinking enemy submarines to an more improve and multiply.

mans are building submarines faster signed.

dry."

of surprise but a war of supplies. What are our Southern farmers going to do? We trust as did Jackson while \$500,000 loss is thought to away. but we must raise our supplies. An have been sustained by the Furness, army must be fed before it can go ahead. It is our bit to help feed them. Evidence of the South's im-Among the goods destroyed were portance in grain growing, especially this section of North Carolina, is reflected in the recent return of W. A. Henderson, of the Henderson Rol-

ler Mills Company, from the Valley of Virginia where he purchased about 10,000 bushels of wheat, a portion of which was choice seed wheat.

The purchase of one car of handpicked seed wheat will interest our farmers. The farm from which this car will be shipped belongs to Mr. statement by Premier Lloyd George Harold D. McCormick, the man who invented the McCormick reapers and certain information which would mowers. Mr. Searson, who manages show that "we are making reasonably the farm, is required to take his force of men each year and go over the the menace of the enemy's submarine farm, pulling and burning every onion, cockle or weed that would in any way injure the sale of his wheat. It is an ideal farm and it would pay

was not adverse to asking questions

For September, their official fig- and the farmers were willing to anures are 679,000 tons. They sank swer. Mr. H. G. Nash, who also was far less than one-third of that amount in the party, said, "Why, fellows, of British tonnage and less than one-half of that amount of all nationali-fix my garden." It is true. They thoroughly break the ground, then pulverize it either by discing or har-

not enough ships on the sea to en- heavy roller. They then put the able their submarine commanders to wheat in with a good drill, drilling maintain their bag. Let me give you it in just as shallow as it is possible facts. In April last, the heaviest to get it well covered. The farmers month of British losses by enemy of Viriginia say they would have the submarines since the war began, our same trouble that we have if they trade flowed presumably in satisfac- put their wheat in 25 we do. They are as a general rule through seeding and a great many fields are

Wheat should be seeded in this rection between now and the 15th of November. Don't put it off too long,

Amid great cheering and scenes the like of which have never before "Summarized, the submarine war- been witnessed in Richmond, the nefare amounts to this: Our defensive gro drafted men of the city, 410 in measures have during the last seven number, marched in a big parade to months proved so efficacious that in the station to board a special train spite of the increased number of for Camp Lee. City and state offspite of the increased number of cers took part in the parade, which tion of dealing with the liquor traffic

The trustees of the North Caroliincreasing extent. Our offensive na Anti - Saloon League will meet measures are improving and will still in Raleigh November 15 to elect a more improve and multiply. successor to Rev. R. L. Davis, super-But, on the other hand, the Ger- intendent of the League, who has re-

said to his men at New Orleans, insurance. Piers eight and nine were Mrs. King left the automobile party "Trust in God and keep your powder destroyed and these, Mr. Thompson This war is not going to be said, would be reconstructed at once. won by grains of powder but by Loss of these two piers, he said, will grains of wheat. This is not a war not interrupt handling of freight. The damage to the steamer and

its cargo is estimated at \$500,000, Withy Steamship company, which Among the goods destroyed were 7,000 cases of imported liquor, 150 carloads of flour, 50 carloads of tobacco and 79,000 bales of wood pulp.

Five Cabinet Members Come Out For Suffrage.

New York, Nov. 1 .- Five members of President Wilson's cabinet endors ed woman suffrage in statements made public here today by Mrs. Norman de R. Whitehouse, chairman of the New York state woman suffrage party. Following are extracts from statements:

Josephus Daniels, secretary of the "The mothers of men train navy: their boys for citizens, and if they are to be trusted with the early education and shaping of the character of the boys, is there any reason on earth why they should not be trusted with the ballot?"

Franklin K. Lane, secretary of the interior: "I see no reason to fear fendant, woman suffrage. It has not worked Summ disaster in California. As a matter of political philosophy, suffrage cannot be put aside, and as a matter of wise policy, it is not to be denied."

Cabarrus. David F. Houston, secretary of The arraignment of Means was the most dramatic spectacle in the proagriculture: "The patriotism, selfcontrol and intelligent action of woceedings of the morning. Hardly had men in the present emergency lend Foreman C. S. Farrow of the grand additional support to the argument; jury announced the finding of a true and should dispel any doubts fairbill, than Means was being conductminded men may have entertained as ed into the court room by Sheriff to the wisdom of enfranchising Caldwell from his cell hard by, where them." he has spent two months following

William G. McAdoo, secretary of the treasury: "The time has come Means, who had been on her daily when suffrage should be given to the visit to her husband's cell, was with women of America. It should be him when he received the discomfort-given promptly; it should be given ing news of the grand jury finding ungrudgingly; it should be given and she wept bitterly as she entered gladly. The women of the United the little court room where only a States have in every way since this few score citizens, urged on by curiwar has broken out, shown themselves qualified for the right of suffrage."

William C. Redfield, secretary of commerce: "I am an earnest believer in suffrage for women. There are large sections of our public affairs in which women-merely because they are women-are experts. The cause of education is one of these matters; another is the whole quee in all its forms; so also are questions of child labor and of women in industry."

Dr. George A. Gordon visited a my mind, but I don't miss that."

Means has maintained that he and and started for the spring, Means leading, the way. According to his story, he was leaning over the spring getting a drink of water when he heard a shot, and whirling around he saw Mrs. King fall, some distance

Means is being defended by an array of leading lawyers of North Carolina and the state is being represented by Solicitor Hayden Clement and Attorney General James S. Manning. When Judge Frank I Osborne stood before Judge Cline this afternoon to

situation for the populace to make up oppose the removal of the Means case for lost sleep. to Statesville or Salisbury, a bog preliminary battle began, for the defense, having shown its hand, now is Ten Members of Congress Are Enter-

ready to fight to a finish and the suspension and waiting of the last three Paris, Oct. 31 .--- Ten members of days will be changed into spectacular the American congress arrived in happenings that promise to charac-Paris today on their way to pay a terize the entire trial. visit to the front. General Pershing

Solicitor Clement, in his affidavlt invited them to dine with him this this morning, included among his reaevening and William Graves Sharp, sons for asking a removal, the prom-inence of the Means family, the unithe American ambassador, will give them a reception at 5 o'clock tomorversal discussion and forming of row afternoon. opinions by Cabarrus people, the em-The members of the party will proployment of practically the entire ceed on Friday t othe American train-Concord bar by Means, and last, certain editorials in the Concord Obser-

ceed on Friday to the American trainthen visit the French and British ver which the solicitor declared were fronts. strong arguments in favor of the de-

Capital City Went "Dry" With Mild Summing up, Mr. Clement said that Celebration. he was satisfied a fair and impartial

Washington, Oct. 31.-Washington jury of men who had formed no opinwent dry tonight with a mildly hilar-ious celebration in which Hallowe'en mediate moral, military and econoion in the case could not be had in merrymakers contributed most of the mic aid from her allies is imperanoise. Some saloons had closed their tive." doors during the day and many others, including the bars of several man agents throughout Italy have leading hotels, closed tonight long before 12 o'clock, the hour fixed by the law passed by congress last winter.

Red Cross Rally.

his arrest on September 22. Mrs. To the Editor of The Journal:-At a meeting of the executive board of the Monreo Red Cross Chapter Monday night it was decided to hold a rally Friday evening, Nov. 9th (place to be designated later). There will be short inspirational talks and reports from the State Convention osity, were keeping a silent vigil in held in Raleigh Thursday and Friday the hope of witnessing the grand jury of this week. It is hoped by this return. Col. W. G. Means completed means to arouse more interest in the the family as represented at the court work, for the needs are many and the workers comparatively few .--- Vice Chairman of Monroe Chapter.

"The Gift Girl," a Bluebird photo-play, will be the attraction at the Pastime theatre on Nov. 5th, with Rupert Julian and Louise Lovely as many as 10,000,000 from its popusharing the honors in leading a splen- lation of over 100,000,000 would be did company of players through five no more than this country's proporever displayed since the case had its interesting acts. This is the first tionate share.

man in the hospital. "I tell you was hard to interpret but there was Lovely has appeared in Bluebirds, its next session, be asked to declare Doctor, I am coming along fine. I disappointment and perhaps a sugges- and the friends she made earlier in that a state of war exists also beeat well and sleep well. I can't use tion of chargin as if he felt the sting the series will be glad to welcome tween the United States and Bulgaof some invisible lash and could offer back this pretty star of the screen. I ria and Turkey.

ANOTHER GERMAN MUTINY

sent up their curtain of shrapnel the streets were deserted except for a Germans is reported. This time it few policemen. Some persons found was among the troops in Belgium, protection in the subways or the who are declared to have refused to more strongly built buildings, but a go to the front and even to have fired majority of them last night seemed on their officers, several of whom to prefer the safety of their own were wounded.

> UNITED STATES URGED TO DECLARE WAR ON AUSTRIA

American Defense Society Calls Upon President to Summon Congress Together at Early Date For Purpose.

New York, Oct. 31. - President Wilson was urged to call a special session of congress at an early date to declare war on Austria in a resolution adopted by the board of truetees of the American Defense Society at a special meeting today.

The resolution further urges the transportation to Italy of a contingent of American troops and war material, using all ships possible, including seized Austrian ships for the purpose. It sets forth that "the complete defeat of Italy's armies will endanger her national existence and imperil the issue of the war for de-mocracy" and "that to preserve Italy's existence and to maintain her

The resolution declares that "Gersteadily emphasized the fact that the United States has never yet seen fit to declare war against Austria-Hungary, Italy's greatest and neighbor-ing enemy," and that "it is patent to the entire world that German and Austrian troops are working as a unit for the same end which America has declared she will not endure." A copy of the resolution was tele-

graphed to President Wilson.

Prior to its adoption, the trustees of the society adopted a minute which declares that an inconclusive peace would be an insult to those who have fallen in the war and "a betrayal to the living.

The sending of "an overwhelming force" to France, because, it says, "the more men we send the fewer will be slain," is counseled in the minute, The announcement is made that which declares that considering the

The minute urges that congress, at

house this morning. Mrs. Mary Melvin was not present. Means himself, despite his contagious optimism of past weeks, look-

ed like a man suddenly shaken by some terrific emotion as he entered with his wife and the sheriff. When the clerk of the court had uttered the words of arraignment, Means' eyes were filled with tears and he show-

ed far more emotion than he has beginning two months ago. His look time in several months that Miss