

### GERMANS GAIN SOME IN NEW DRIVE UPON FRENCH AT VERDUN

Paris Admits Loss of 120  
Yards of Front At One  
Locality

### HOPE TO FORCE END NOW

Attackers Desire to Get De-  
fenders In Place Where  
Decisive Action Can Be  
Fought, Believed—Terri-  
fic Battling On

(By United Press)

London, May 30.—The Crown  
Prince has resumed his drive against  
the Northwest defenses of Ver-  
dun, simultaneously attacking the  
French center and right wing. The  
heaviest blows are being struck  
against Hill 304 and Cumieres.

The Germans are violently bom-  
barding the French crescent-shape  
positions, attempting to force them  
back on Charney Ridge, where the  
French would be forced to give battle  
in a great struggle that would decide  
Verdun's fate.

Paris Admits Loss of Ground.

Paris, May 30.—The French have  
been driven back South of the Beth-  
incourt-Cumieres highway by a power-  
ful German attack between Dead  
Man's Hill and Cumieres, the war  
office today reported. The German  
gain was 120 yards.

Fresh Troops for Crown Prince.

Paris, May 30.—Following an en-  
tire day of heavy artillery "prepara-  
tion," the Crown Prince hurled two  
divisions just brought to Verdun to  
the front into the action. All the  
German assaults on the eastern  
slopes of Dead Man's hill broke under  
a terrific French fire.

Italians to Evacuate Town.

Vienna, May 30.—The Italian forces  
are preparing to evacuate the large-  
est Italian town threatened by the  
Austrians since the great offensive  
in the Southern Tyrol began. A war  
office statement says the Italians at  
the point are in danger of being sur-  
rounded.

### PRESIDENT SPEAKER AT ARLINGTON TODAY

(By the United Press)

Arlington, Va., May 30.—The Presi-  
dent spoke at the annual ceremonies  
in the National Cemetery here today.  
A great crowd attended, filling the  
grounds.

Pensacola, Fla., May 30.—Unable  
longer to withstand a torturing con-  
science, a man giving his name as  
Edward Lorraine today gave up to  
the police, declaring he murdered a  
man and a woman in a small town  
in Idaho. He said today he could  
not live longer with the memory  
of the killing. He will ask a  
court to pronounce the death sen-  
tence on him.

### EAGLES TO BE SHOWN OVER BIG SOUTHERN PLANTATION IN GA.

(Special to The Free Press)

Savannah, Ga., May 31.—Thous-  
ands of visitors from all parts of the  
United States, Canada and even Lat-  
tle-rem Mexico, in Savannah for the  
national convention of the Fraternal  
Order of Eagles, August 14-19, will  
be given an insight into the agricul-  
tural importance of the South.

On the day before the convention  
closes they will be given a boat ride  
on the Savannah river to the Hermit-  
age, one of the most famous planta-  
tions in the South. There they will  
see negroes working in the cotton  
fields and a sugar-cane mill. The  
cotton has been planted especially  
for the occasion, and the sugar cane  
also will be grown on the planta-  
tion. The climax will be reached  
when thousands of juicy Georgia  
water melons are cut and served.

### CARRANZA WILL SAY AMERICANS CAUSED TROUBLE ON BORDER

Alleged That Message to  
Washington Will Assert  
That Politicians Hoped to  
Make Capital for Coming  
Campaign

(By the United Press)

Mexico City, May 30.—Carranza's  
message to Washington contains a  
point-blank charge that the recent  
border troubles were inspired by  
American politicians for use in the  
presidential campaign, it is reliably  
reported.

When the message will be present-  
ed is unknown, one rumor said today.

### SURRY, WEST CAROLINA COUNTY, TO HAVE FAIR

Mount Airy, May 29.—That Surry  
county is to have a fair this fall is  
now an assured fact. A charter for  
the Surry County Fair Association  
has been applied for, with an author-  
ized capital of \$50,000 and \$10,000  
paid in.

### LAST OF FAMOUS TEAM OF PILOTS PLANS TO RECOVER CLASS TODAY

(By the United Press.)

Indianapolis Speedway, May 30.—  
The interest of the big crowd filling  
grandstand, bleachers and infield at  
the speedway here today centered in  
the attempted comeback of Louis  
Chevrolet, the lone surviving member  
of the famous team that made auto-  
mobile racing history in 1908-09-10.  
Chevrolet, with 28 other world fa-  
mous speed devils, faced the started  
in the sixth annual international  
sweepstakes 300 mile dash over the  
speedway of vitrified brick.

### BUFFALO AND ELK FOR PISGAH RESERVATION

Asheville, May 29.—Governor  
Locke Craig and George S. Powell,  
president and secretary, respectively,  
of the Appalachian Park Association,  
have received assurances that they  
will receive a herd of twenty-five elk  
and a herd of at least a dozen buff-  
alo for the Pisgah Forest Reserva-  
tion near here. The elk will be de-  
livered to St. Louis by the govern-  
ment, and the Southern Railway has  
arranged to transport them free of  
charge to Asheville.

### LOVELORN NEGRO WAS BENT ON TAKING LIFE

Asheville, May 29.—N. H. Ellison,  
a dusky swain about 22 years of age,  
made two ineffectual attempts at  
suicide by drowning, giving as his  
reason in a note left to Ellen Garret,  
his sweetheart, that he could not bear  
to live without her love.

### PHILLIES BREAK LONG WINNING STREAK OF N. Y. GIANTS TODAY

(By the United Press)

Philadelphia, May 30.—The re-  
markable winning streak of the New  
York Giants was broken when the  
Phillies won, 5 to 1, in a game this  
morning. The Giants had won sev-  
enteen straight games. Demaree,  
the ex-Giant, pitched for the Phillies.

### SENATE PASSES R. AND H. APPROPRIATION BILL

Washington, May 29.—The Senate  
today passed the rivers and harbors  
appropriation bill carrying approxi-  
mately \$43,000,000, by a vote of 35  
to 32 after adding many amend-  
ments. The bill now goes to a com-  
ference of the two houses.

### PRESIDENT WISHES FULLEST OBSERV'CE NATIONAL FLAG DAY

Requests Special Signifi-  
cance to Be Given Cel-  
ebration June 14

### INFORMAL PROCLAMAT'N

Forces Without Have  
Seemed Likely to Draw  
Us Away From Happy  
Traditions—Only Su-  
preme Allegiance

(By the United Press)

Washington, May 30.—Asking that  
special significance be given the ob-  
servance of Flag Day on June 14th,  
the President, in an informal pro-  
clamation today declared:

"My fellow-countrymen, many cir-  
cumstances have recently conspired  
to turn up influences which have  
seemingly threatened to divide us in  
our interest and sympathy for of-  
fices within by forces without that  
seemed likely to draw us away from  
our happy traditions and united pur-  
pose of action. Therefore, it has  
seemed fitting to call your attention  
to the anniversary of the day on which  
our flag was adopted.

"Therefore, I suggest and request  
that every community give special  
significance and expression to our  
thoughtful love of America, our com-  
prehension of the great mission of  
liberty and justice to which we have  
devoted ourselves, our determination  
to demonstrate to all the world Amer-  
ica's vital sentiment, and our pur-  
pose of accepting as true compatri-  
ots only those who give supreme al-  
legiance."

### KITCHIN SPEAKS FOR MAJORITY NAVY BILL

(Special to The Free Press)

Washington, May 30.—Congress-  
man Kitchin spoke for the navy bill  
yesterday in the House, declaring  
belief that the bill is the logical one  
and that the five-year program  
should be defeated because "when  
this war is over, the price of materi-  
als for the building of ships will be  
much lower than at present," prob-  
ably.

### COLISEUM ENAMELED LILY WHITE FOR THE DEMOCRATS' MEETING

St. Louis, Mo., May 30.—The Co-  
liseum today took on an appearance  
of preparedness for the Democratic  
convention here June 14th. The en-  
tire interior has been enameled white  
and other special decorations have  
been completed.

All now needed is the bunting,  
which will not be hung until just be-  
fore the temporary chairman drops  
his gavel for the first business of the  
conclave.

For the purpose of ventilation and  
improved light a great portion of the  
roof has been removed and a series  
of glass sashes installed.

### KEENE'S PUSS IN BOOTS' ENTERED IN DERBY RUN TODAY

Newmarket, Eng., May 30.—For-  
getting for the moment the war that  
has taken so many of their numbers,  
England's sportsmen and women  
gathered here today for the running  
of that premier racing event, the  
British Derby.

Following the running of the blue  
ribbon today will come the second  
great heat of the season, the Oaks,  
day after tomorrow.

Great interest centers in the per-  
formance of Foxhall P. Keene's Puss  
In Boots, the only American nomi-  
nation in either event, which is enter-  
ed for the Oaks.

Supt. Barron Caldwell pled guilty  
to affray and was fined \$10 and  
costs in the case leading out of  
the Saturday afternoon altercation  
between him and Mr. J. F. Parrott.  
Mr. Parrott contested the  
indictment and after hearing evi-  
dence of a score or more witness-  
es Judge Wooten reserved his deci-  
sion to review the stenographic  
report. In the case leading out of  
the renewal of the difficulty in the  
office of Dr. Albert D. Parrott,  
where Mr. Caldwell was being  
treated and where Mr. Parrott  
went for the same purpose, ac-  
cording to his statement, Judge  
Wooten found Mr. Parrott guilty  
of simple affray and imposed a  
fine of \$10 and costs. The indict-  
ment in this second case was  
against J. F. Parrott, W. E. Parrott  
and L. L. Parrott and charged  
them with "beating, striking  
and assaulting one Barron Cald-  
well with a deadly weapon, to-wit:  
a knife." The indictment against  
Messrs. Ed. Parrot and Lewis Parrott  
was quashed by the Court after  
the testimony of several witness-  
es had been heard.

### ASSERTS ABSENTEE LANDLORDISM TO BE CURSE O' THE SOUTH

Region Has Too Long La-  
bored Under That and  
Evils of Too Extended  
Tenant System, Harding  
Tells Alabama Society

(By the United Press)

Tuscaloosa, Ala., May 30.—Declaring  
that the South has "for a great  
many years labored under the curse  
of absentee landlordism, and suffer-  
ed from the evils of a too extended  
tenant farming system," W. P. G.  
Harding of the Federal Reserve  
Board, in an address to the Alumni  
Society of the University of Alaba-  
ma today praised the pending admin-  
istration national rural credits leg-  
islation as a measure that would op-  
erate to the alleviation of these con-  
ditions.

Touching upon "commercial pre-  
paredness" during the period of re-  
construction following the European  
war, he expressed hope that "steps  
will be taken to protect American  
firms against foreign dumping, and  
to provide heavy penalties for foreign  
concerns engaged in unfair competi-  
tion in the United States."

Harding predicted the creation of  
a national tariff commission "soon."

### TO DEVELOP A HALF MILLION RESORT IN CUMBERLAND C'NTY

B. N. Duke Tells of Forma-  
tion of Company—Plans  
for \$250,000 Hotel—Calif-  
ornia and New York Ca-  
pital Interested

(By the United Press)

Durham, N. C., May 30.—New York  
and Durham capitalists have invested  
a half million dollars towards develop-  
ment of a Cumberland county winter  
resort, according to a statement by  
B. N. Duke, the millionaire tobac-  
co magnate.

The plans have already been sub-  
mitted for a \$250,000 fireproof hotel  
on 3,500 acres.

Walter Marshall of New York and  
Congressman Kent of California are  
identified with the proposition.

Small Fire.

The Fire Department was called  
to the home of W. E. Dinkins on  
Heritage street by a small blaze this  
afternoon about 2:50 o'clock.

Realty Transfer.

W. C. Thompson to Jesse J. Smith,  
tract of land in the county, \$400.

### COL. JOHN S. MOSBY ANSWERED SUMMONS WASHINGTON TODAY

Famous Cavalry Leader  
Died While Union Vet-  
erans Were Parading

### WORLD FAM'D CHARACTER

Grant Repealed Order That  
Made Him an Outlaw Af-  
ter Close of War Between  
the States—Removed  
From Govt. Position

(By the United Press)

Washington, May 30.—While a  
thousand heroes he fought marched  
today honoring the Union, Col. John  
S. Mosby, daring Confederate caval-  
ry raider, died in Garfield Hospital.  
He was 83 years old.

Mosby's Career.

Colonel Mosby, one of the last of  
the dashing figures of the Civil War,  
was admired both by the North and  
South.

He was the originator of the Mosby  
method of warfare; to use only  
picked men and to make each man  
seem a hundred.

Cavalrymen searched for Mosby in  
the Virginia mountains until General  
Grant appealed to Mosby's wife,  
ordered the famous outlawry order  
cancelled.

Colonel Mosby started life peace-  
ably enough at the Mosby plantation  
at Edgemont, Powhatan county, Va.,  
where he was born in 1833. He was  
graduated from the University of  
Virginia—a full-fledged lawyer at 19  
in 1852.

In 1905 he entered the Department  
of Justice as special attorney. He  
was removed as "senile" by Attorney  
General Wickersham in 1910.

Since his removal from office, Col.  
Mosby had made his home with his  
daughter, Mrs. Stuart Coleman, in  
Washington.

### FUNERAL OF JAMES J. HILL ON WEDNESDAY

St. Paul, Minn., May 29.—The fun-  
eral of James J. Hill, pioneer rail-  
road builder and financier, who died  
this morning, will be held at his  
home at 2 p. m., Wednesday, mem-  
bers of his family announced tonight.  
Interment will be in a private mausoleum  
to be erected at North Oaks  
farms, five miles northeast of St.  
Paul, long the summer home of the  
empire builder.

### HUGHES WALL STREET FAVORITE.

New York, May 30.—Hughes,  
by eight to five, is the favorite  
of Wall Street in betting for the  
Republican nomination for Presi-  
dent.

### THREE KILLED BY TORNADO.

Memphis, Tenn., May 30.—Three  
are reported killed and 53 injur-  
ed, and thousands of dollars'  
worth of property to have been  
destroyed, when a tornado swept  
a territory for 100 miles around  
Memphis today.

### M'ADOO MAKES ADDRESS AT UNIVERSITY TODAY

(Special to The Free Press)

Raleigh, May 30.—Secretary of  
the Treasury McAdoo will make an  
address here tonight. He was to  
make the commencement address at  
the University of North Carolina fin-  
als at Chapel Hill today.

### BLACK KILLED BY A CAR IN GREENSBORO

Greensboro, May 29.—A negro,  
supposed to be Wade Douglas, an e-  
scaped convict, was killed by a street  
car on Spring Garden street late last  
night. Whether or not he intended  
suicide is not certain, but the motorm-  
an believes that he was lying on  
the track.

### MR. NOE MAKES GOOD RESIGNATION THAT WAS TENDERED HERE

Episcopal Archdeacon Gave  
Up Office Following Res-  
olution by Ashby In Dio-  
cesan Council Here Last  
Week—Capable

Announcement is made from Wil-  
mington that Rev. Thos. P. Noe of  
that city has resigned as archdeacon  
of the Episcopal Diocese of East Car-  
olina. The Morning Star of Wil-  
mington says of the occurrence:

"In making the announcement,  
Bishop Darst referred to the impor-  
tance of the work done by the arch-  
deacon and expressed his great ap-  
preciation for the manner in which  
Archdeacon Noe performed the du-  
ties of his office. At the same time  
Bishop Darst stated that he had  
some special work in Wilmington and  
vicinity which he hoped Mr. Noe  
would take up. This work he ex-  
plained, was the ministering to a  
Wilmington mission, which it is pro-  
posed to establish for this city and  
vicinity. It is also proposed to en-  
list the services of laymen in this  
work.

"Although yesterday's announce-  
ment of the resignation by Bishop  
Darst is the first public statement of  
it, Archdeacon Noe submitted his re-  
signation at the recent convention of  
the Diocesan Council of East Caroli-  
na held at Kinston, following a mo-  
tion made by Rev. C. A. Ashby of  
Elizabeth City, to abolish the office  
of archdeacon on the ground that the  
diocese could not afford the expense  
of the work. Mr. Noe at once ten-  
dered his resignation. The motion  
for the abolishment of the office was  
then withdrawn, and the Council  
passed a resolution asking the Bis-  
hop to determine whether the office  
of archdeacon should be continued, and  
if he was of the opinion that it should  
be continued to appoint an archde-  
acon.

"Rev. Mr. Noe, who was formerly  
rector of the Church of the Good  
Shepherd in Wilmington, was ap-  
pointed September 1, 1914. As arch-  
deacon Mr. Noe had supervision of  
all the vacant pulpits in the diocese.  
Mr. Noe could not be reached by tele-  
phone last night, as he is out of the  
city, but it is understood he is not  
yet ready to announce his future  
plans."

### JUDGE BOND'S REMARKS ANENT CONVICT SYSTEM

Statement Spread Upon Records In  
Superior Court In Case of E. W.  
Mincher Sentenced to Jail for 12  
Months—Case Appealed

There was much interest in the re-  
marks of Judge Bond Saturday after-  
noon in Superior Court, when he sen-  
tenced E. W. Mincher, the convict  
boss convicted of inhuman treatment  
in administering punishment to pris-  
oners, to 12 months in the county  
jail. The decision was rendered too  
late for more than the bare facts to  
be related in Saturday's Free Press.  
Today we give the words of Judge  
Bond:

"This conduct, with the rec-  
ord standing as it does, portrays  
a career of beating that the  
Court has not yet seen equalled.  
"Some years ago, during the Span-  
ish-American war, Senator Thurston  
and his wife went to Havana. They  
there saw drunken Spanish officers  
laughing at and mocking Cuban wo-  
men walking by their windows beg-  
ging for bread, with starving chil-  
dren in their arms. It so overcame  
Mrs. Thurston that it prostrated her,  
and she exacted of her husband the  
promise that he would make a speech  
in the Senate of United States to try  
to help the Cubans; and he began  
his great speech, his wife having died  
before then, with the statement that  
he spoke by command of silent lips.  
Unsigned Appeals to Court.

"I feel that what I am saying  
bears to some extent, an analogy to  
that this evening. The men who have  
the track.

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### WHIPPING IN MILD FORM ORDERED FOR COUNTY'S CONVICTS

Five Lashes for First Of-  
fense, Prescribed Follow-  
ing a 'Mutiny'

### MINCHER QUILTS FORCE

Blacks Refused to Work  
Under Convicted Boss—  
Two White 'Trusties' Got  
Away—New Regulations  
Read to the Force

As a result—county commissioners  
believe—of an unsavory effect upon  
the convicts by the airing of the  
"whipping scandal" and the conviction  
of Walking Boss E. W. Mincher, for  
using the strap, in Superior Court  
last week, the following things hap-  
pened Monday:

"A score or more of black convicts  
"struck," apparently as a protest  
against having to work under Min-  
cher.

Mincher resigned.

Mincher's resignation was accept-  
ed.

Two white convicts seized the op-  
portunity in the near-excitement to  
escape.

The Board of Commissioners met  
during the afternoon and passed a  
set of rules and regulations "to en-  
force proper control in the conduct  
of convicts."

Mincher Out for Present.

No attempt will be made to rein-  
state Mincher—at least, not until af-  
ter the Supreme Court hears the ap-  
peal from the judgment of Judge W.  
M. Bond by which the big supervisor  
was sentenced to 12 months in jail.  
The commissioners, Chairman R. P.  
Churchill states, hope to get a new  
trial. The "Judge's attitude" will  
probably be one ground. The com-  
missioners may be wrong in the mat-  
ter, Mr. Churchill states unhesitat-  
ingly, but are acting with all sin-  
cerity. They believe their rules un-  
der which chastisement of convicts  
was allowed were necessary. The  
"personnel" of the convict gang ne-  
cessitates corporeal punishment at  
times, say commissioners. Many  
persons differ with them.

There was little fuss when the ne-  
groes went on "strike." All were or-  
dered back into confinement. After  
the new regulations had been passed  
Chairman Churchill visited the camp  
and read them. By the nodding of  
nearly all the heads the men acquies-  
ced, and this morning returned to  
work. When Supt. Bryant Taylor de-  
clared to them earlier in the day that  
he would put them on bread and wa-  
ter one voice from a cage spoke out  
that its owner would lie there and rot  
before he would work on bread and  
water. That seemed to express the  
determination of all at that moment,  
judging from their actions, but with  
the appearance of the chairman of  
commissioners the so-called "muti-  
neers" seemed to undergo a "change  
of heart."

Two Men Escape.

The whites who got away were  
Alex. Curtis, a youth doing two  
years for complicity in a murder in  
Craven county, and Lomie Harris  
of Lenoir county, serving six months  
for some offense. Curtis had only  
four months to serve and Harris but  
two. They were "trusties."

The New Rules.

The new regulations of the board  
provide that a convict claiming to be  
ill shall not be worked until after a  
physician has examined him; that  
the county doctor's decision shall be  
final; that convicts shall observe  
faithfully the sanitary regulations of  
the camp; that no liquor shall be had  
except by the county physician's pre-  
scription; that "should any other  
matter arise not mentioned in these  
regulations or provided for by law,  
it shall not be dealt with by the road  
superintendent until he has reported  
the situation to this board"; that upon  
violation of any regulation of the  
set just passed the superintendent  
shall give the offender one hour in  
jail.

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