

THE WEEK'S EVENTS

IMPORTANT NEWS OF STATE, NATIONAL AND THE WORLD BRIEFLY TOLD

ROUND ABOUT THE WORLD

A Condensed Record Of Happenings Of Interest From All Points Of The World

Domestic.

Five masked men entered the grill room of a hotel in Cleveland, Ohio, early in the morning and, enforcing their command of "hands up" with a hail of shots, obtained \$1,500 from the cash drawers and escaped in a waiting automobile.

A score of more scientists and business men interested in food conservation and new sources of food supply sat down to a "whale steak luncheon" at the American Museum of Natural History in New York City.

The commission on navy yard and naval bases says that Charleston, S. C., offers the only suitable site between Hatteras and Key West for a great navy yard.

Headless Mondays have been abolished in North and South Carolina, Tennessee, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana.

A German spy was reported to have been found among forty first and second cabin passengers of the Dutch liner Nieuw Amsterdam, who were detained by federal agents for examination at "An Atlantic Port."

Emergency deliveries of coal enabled many New York factories to continue operations and others to reopen after being closed for short periods.

Federal legislation compelling "the most severe treatment of spies" and "enemy agents" is recommended to congress in an executive committee report adopted by the chamber of commerce of the state of New York.

Contracts have been awarded by the French government to the Foundation company for the construction of 36 mine-sweeping vessels at the company yard at Savannah, Ga.

News that Capt. Peter McLean, commander of the torpedoed liner Tuscania, has been saved reached the Anchor line offices in New York City.

Washington.

Five masked men entered the grill to have been killed, four are missing and one was wounded when an American patrol was ambushed in No Man's Land by a superior force of Germans.

A Mexican paper, reaching New York, gravely informs its readers that the United States government is planning an invasion of Mexico with Canada and Cuba operating jointly with the United States.

Representative Glass, in a speech delivered in the house, went to the defense of the administration, answered the charges contained in Senator Chamberlain's indictment of the war department and denied that the American war machine has "fallen down."

A story of disaster at sea, affecting the hearts and hopes of Americans, although they have been schooled to expect it ever since the first contingent of their fighting men left an Atlantic port to become brothers-in-arms to the entente warriors who are entrenched against the German hordes.

Consideration of the administration railroad bill has been completed by the house interstate commerce committee. The committee recommends that the states retain the power to tax railroad property during federal control and hold on to states' police power.

Apparently retribution at once befell the underwater boat that sent the Tuscania to the bottom. According to the testimony of an American officer, who was one of the last men to leave the Tuscania, a British destroyer dashed toward the evident location of the attacker and dropped depth bombs that resulted, in the expressive phrase of the submarine hunters, in the enemy being "done in."

Major General March, now chief of artillery with General Pershing, has been named acting chief of staff, and will return to Washington immediately.

The greatest—and perhaps the most dramatic—rescue work of the war was accomplished in saving American soldiers aboard the torpedoed Tuscania, officials believe. The picture of destroyers, patrol boats and hospital ships maneuvering about the sinking vessel with a net saving of 90 per cent of the threatened lives, is one that will reflect glory in naval history.

Every sailor lost on the Tuscania carried government insurance. This insurance aggregated about \$4,300, and will be paid at the rate of about \$25 a month for twenty years.

Continued improvement in weather and transportation conditions will bring an end to the heatless Monday program after its enforcement next Monday, it is announced by the fuel administration.

A favorable report on the war department's bill amending the selective draft law to require registration of men as they reach 21 years and having quotas on the number of men in class one, instead of on state populations, was unanimously ordered by the senate military committee, is the information emanating from the national capital.

Troops of the regular, National Guard and national army divisions will be made available for parade or reviews in towns or cities near their training centers to the fullest extent possible provided they do not add unnecessary burden to the railway facilities.

Vice Admiral Sims has arrived in Rome, Italy, and has been properly feted. He will remain there only a few days.

The first survivors of the Tuscania were landed at Larne and Buncrana, two widely separated Irish ports.

European.

An American general now commands the sector of the front recently taken over by French troops. When the Americans first entered the sector it was under the command of a French general commanding a certain large unit of the French army.

Reports have been received in London of verified sworn statements from British soldiers who have returned from German prison camps and hospitals regarding the systematic brutality practiced by the Germans upon the Italian prisoners.

The international committee of the Red Cross has issued an appeal to all belligerent armies to abandon the use of asphyxiating gas, by common agreement.

An official statement on British aerial operations reports successful reconnaissances and the bombing of enemy targets.

Polish forces which recently revolted from the Russian army under the leadership of General Doybor Mounitsky have captured Smolensk from the Bolsheviks according to advices from Vienna.

German newspapers arriving in Switzerland say that Field Marshal von Mackensen sent an ultimatum to the Roumanian government February 8, demanding that peace negotiations be begun within four days.

It is learned that confirmation in Russian circles has been received of the sending by Germany of an ultimatum to Roumania.

Maj. Gen. Frederick B. Maurice, the chief director of military operations at the British war office, says the allies are still superior in number on the western front, notwithstanding the Germans have moved troops from the east to the west.

Artillery activity continues on the British, French, Italian and American front, but, aside from this, the operations have been confined to patrol and aerial attacks.

London hears that twenty enemy air planes which endeavored to cross the American lines were violently shelled by anti-aircraft batteries and driven off.

A member of the military police on the western front found three little French children wandering along the road immediately behind the front, which is shelled very frequently by the enemy, and is considered very dangerous.

The latest casualty list indicates that the loss on the Tuscania may be one hundred or even less. This causes a distinct relief from the tension.

The bodies of 44 of the missing 191 victims of the Tuscania disaster were washed up in the rocks 15 miles from the scene of the torpedoing. The bodies were mutilated beyond recognition, none of whom wore identification tags.

The Cunard liner Aerona, 14,400 tons, was torpedoed by a German submarine while bound for the United States. Although badly damaged, the ship was not sunk, and no loss of life is reported.

Rome reports slight artillery activity on all the Italian front, but that hostile aircraft have renewed their bombardments of Italian towns.

The Finnish railway authorities at Torino have received a report that the allied missions have been expelled from Petrograd and that they have already departed. There is no confirmation of this report.

Operations on the western front continue to be marked by heavy artillery exchanges in conjunction with raiding attacks on the opposing trenches.

London hears that looting has again broken out in Petrograd, and that many wine cellars have been sacked. Armored cars were used by the authorities against the pillagers.

Paris reports German attacks repulsed at every point where French troops are engaged.

Thomas Smith of Glasgow, boat swain on the Tuscania, says that the loss of life from the destruction of the Tuscania, was enhanced by many soldiers jumping overboard instead of waiting for the boats to be lowered.

Venustiano Carranza, president of Mexico, not only congratulated Enger or William of Germany on his birth day recently, London hears, but was more profuse in his felicitations that the occasion warranted.

HERALD'S REVIEW of NORTH CAROLINA

A Record Of Important Events At The Capitol And Throughout The State, Reported For Herald Readers

NORTH CAROLINA IS GARDEN STATE

NOW IS THE TIME TO GET READY SAYS STATE HORTICULTURIST.

DISPATCHES FROM RALEIGH

Doings and Happenings That Mark the Progress of North Carolina People, Gathered Around the State Capital.

North Carolina will become a State of gardeners if the wishes of the Director B. W. Kilgore, of the Agricultural Extension Service, are realized this year. There was a great increase in the number of gardens put in last year and these did much to combat the high cost of foodstuffs during the time they were yielding.

- 1. Every county superintendent of public instruction. 2. Every superintendent of town and city schools. 3. Every farm demonstration agent. 4. Every home demonstration agent. 5. One physician from each county in the State to be named by the State Board of Health.

It is possible to have something from the garden practically every day in the year if the space provided is large enough and care is exercised in handling it. The Extension Service has reprinted Extension Circular No. 43, which gives a vegetable seeding calendar for the year with information as to keeping a producing garden throughout the year.

According to Mr. Hutt, "Now is the time to get ready for the garden season. A few days of sunshine, and the land will soon be ready for hardy garden crops. Many gardeners do not realize how hardy some of the vegetable crops are and how soon they can be planted in spring."

"Such hardy seeds as peas, beans, onions and spinach will germinate and grow even when the ground is cold. The little plants will come on all right even after being frozen. They can stand lots of cold but cannot bear hot sun and should be planted as early as possible in spring that most of their growth will be made in cold weather."

"Early Irish potatoes can be planted long before freezing weather is past. The tubers will not be injured if the ground crusts over after they are planted. If frost threatens after they are up the tops can be covered with dirt or a light furrow turned over them. Every day gained in the early part of the season will add materially to the size of the crop."

Don't Forget the Soldiers. From every nook and corner in the State our young men have gone to the colors to learn the soldier's life. Shortly they will represent us on the firing line, and others will be called to service in their places.

While they are training, what can the homefolks do to help them? These men are offering their lives for us. All that we can do for them will not equal the sacrifices they are making. After talking with hundreds of them in the camps I want to offer three practical suggestions to the people at home as to what they may do. Every person who reads this statement can easily, and should, gladly, do all of them.

First, send your home paper to at least one soldier at the camp. Pick out one of the men you know and subscribe for your home paper and send it to him. Any member of his family will give you his correct address. Write him a letter and tell him you are sending it. The cost will be trifling. The thought will be appreciated. It is not an act of charity, but an act of patriotic service.

Second, at least once a week, make it a point to write a letter or a card to some soldier at the camp. Send him a magazine or a good book occasionally.

Third, keep your troubles at home. The soldier has enough of his own. Be strong enough and unselfish enough to cut out the trouble parts of your letters. There are plenty of good things to write about. The soldier has a man's size job, and besides, he can't help you. Why worry him when you have a better opportunity to look after your troubles than he has to help you?

Granted Law License.

The following applicants were granted license to practice law by the supreme court. Those who passed are: Arthur Wayne Beachboard, Stackville, N. C. Phinehas David Croom, Kinston, N. C. Archibald Cree Gay, Jackson, N. C. Henry Spivey Grant, Rocky Mount, N. C. Daniel Monroe Jolly, Vineland, N. C. Jesse Aldon Jones, Maysville, N. C. Harvey Hoyle Sink, Lexington, N. C.

Gov. Bickett Takes a Hand

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German Professor Resigns. Greensboro—At a meeting of the executive committee of the Greensboro College for Women trustees, Robert L. Roy tendered his resignation as violin instructor. The committee accepted the resignation, and expressed their highest appreciation of his services and ability.

Mr. Roy is a native German, who once sought naturalization and failed only because his proceeding was in the State court instead of Federal court. He then renounced his allegiance to the Kaiser.

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RUSSIAN ARMIES ARE DEMOBILIZED

PEACE EFFECTED BY RUSSIANS AND UKRAINE WITH FORMER ENEMY.

ROMANIAN SITUATION CRITICAL

Formal Treaty Has Not Yet Been Signed But Agreed Upon—Contains Provision For Getting Food.

Although no formal treaty has yet been signed between the Russians and the central powers the bolsheviki government has ordered a cessation of hostilities by the Russians against Germany, Austria-Hungary, Turkey and Bulgaria and the withdrawal of its troops from the trenches and fortified positions from the Baltic sea to the Rumanian frontier.

Peace having been effected both by the Russians and Ukrainians with the Teutonic allies, the situation of Rumania becomes a most critical one. Entirely cut off now from her allies, the Rumanians apparently are faced with the absolute necessity of effecting a separate peace or being overrun by superior enemy armies.

As has been anticipated, the terms of peace between the Ukraine and the central powers, contain the much desired clause providing for the immediate entering into economic relations between the contracting parties by which Austria and Germany may obtain much needed foodstuffs.

No Peace Until Germany is Recognized Victor

Amsterdam—Germany desires peace but before it can be attained her enemies must recognize that Germany has been victorious.

"We ought to bring peace to the world. We shall seek in every way to do it. Such an end was achieved in a friendly manner with an enemy which beaten by our armies, perceives no reason for fighting longer."

Eleven new names have been reported, but one of them, John M. Shovel, of De Soto, Mo., had appeared on a list of the saved previously compiled. In many instances it is considered possible that men still reported as unreported have succeeded in getting private messages to their families.

Only Ten Names Added To The List of Survivors

Roll of U. S. Soldiers Aboard Tuscania Not Reported Rescued Now Stands at 340.

Washington—Only ten names were added to the roll of survivors of the liner Tuscania by dispatches to the war department. The list of American soldiers who were on board the liner and who have not been reported rescued now stands at 340, although it is certain that about 200 of these and probably more are safe.

U. S. War Achievements Marvelous Says McGowan

Columbia, S. C. Feb. 11.—Rear Admiral Samuel McGowan, navy minister general of the navy, a South Carolina in address to the general assembly of State of South Carolina declared that the success of the war department in meeting difficult tasks has been remarkable.

Trading in Hens and Pulletts is Forbidden

Washington—Trading in live or freshly killed hens and pullets anywhere in the United States is forbidden in an order announced by the United States food administration. February 23 is fixed as the date when fresh stock must be disposed of and adds that additional stocks may not be purchased.

By Slow Degrees

"Do you really enjoy Camembert cheese?" "I'm eating it as a matter of discipline. If I can learn to like it maybe I'll get so I can stand a cold-storage egg."

Unappreciated

The Victim—You said you could give my hair an artistic cut and you've made me look like a wild man. The Tonsorial Artist—I fear you know nothing of art. I'm an insurance agent.

GERMANS AMBUSH TEN AMERICANS

FIVE BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN KILLED WHILE FOUR OTHERS ARE MISSING.

BARRAGE FIRE RETURNED

Patrolling Soldiers Were Fired Upon From Concealed Positions by Large Numbers of Enemy—Put Up Good Fight.

Five American soldiers are believed to have been killed, four are missing and one was wounded, when an American patrol was ambushed in No Man's Land by a superior force of Germans.

The spot where the encounter occurred in an isolated one and reports concerning the casualties inflicted by both sides are meager.

Only one American is known to have escaped the trap of the Germans, which was laid in front of our wires. The one survivor, who crawled back to the American lines with a bullet in his chest, is unable to talk.

Our artillery immediately laid a barrage around the ambushing Germans and some are believed to have been accounted for. The infantry accounted for others as it is certain the attacked patrol fought to a finish, according to information trickling in from the front line.

Our patrolling soldiers were walking in front of our wire entanglements when a big enemy patrol that had been divided into parties which took up concealed positions opened fire at close range. The night was clear and the forms of the Americans made the best possible targets for the hidden Germans. There is no doubt that the Americans battled gallantly until completely overpowered.

The artillery duel in our sector continued. Scores of airplanes were out observing and making photographs. The men in the line were thrilled by a number of air duels high in the sky over their heads.

Artilleryman Killed

One American artilleryman was killed and five artillerymen were wounded by shell fire.

The Americans sprinkled the enemy trenches with shrapnel all during the day. There was considerable patrol activity but no further clashes were reported.

Red Cross Gains Many New Members

Red Cross Adds Approximately 17,500,000 in the Recent Big Drive.

Washington, D. C.—Figures now available on the Red Cross Christmas membership drive show a total enrollment of 23,475,000, or 22 per cent of the population of the United States.

Of this total the Red Cross had about 6,000,000 members before the Christmas drive started, so that the gain from the drive was approximately 17,500,000 new members. The central division, which Chicago is the headquarters, leads the other twelve divisions of the country in the number of new members enrolled Christmas week.

By divisions, the gains were as follows: Atlantic, 28,000,000; Central, 3,000,000; Gulf, 384,000; Lake, 2,300,000; Mountain, 275,000; New England, 670,000; Northern, 327,000; Northwestern, 683,000; Pacific, 327,000; Pennsylvania, 1,600,000; Potomac, 250,000; Southern, 37,000; Southwestern, 3,250,000.

From the fourteenth division comprising all of the territorial insular and foreign possessions of the United States the new members added numbered 48,000.

Unprecedented unfavorable weather prevailed during the drive so that the showing is considered exceptionally good. Final figures are not expected to change the foregoing estimates to any considerable extent.

One of the chief benefits anticipated from the enlarged membership is the addition of thousands of active workers to Red Cross chapters where supplies are being prepared for our army and navy and the military forces and civilian population of the allies.

Germany's Offensive May Be Approaching

Washington.—Development of Germany's long deferred offensive in the west from the reconnoitering thrusts launched during the past week around Ambrun and at other points is surmised as a possibility in the weekly military review issued by the war department. So far, however, in spite of heavy fighting the department says no actions of more than local character have been recorded.

Services in Memory of John L. Sullivan Held

New York—Services in memory of the late John L. Sullivan, former heavyweight champion of America, were held here. The church was crowded with personal friends of the dead gladiator and men and women whose names are prominent in the world of sport and the stage. The life of Sullivan was praised by the speakers, among them was "Jack" McAniff, the former pugilist.

Present Responsibilities

"Now, the economic conditions will have to meet when the war is over—" "You're away ahead of your story, friend," said Senator Sorghum. "What we've got to do now is to look after the economic conditions now required to get the war over."

Lost His Head Also

"What happened when you encountered the burglar?" "He took my breath away." "Anything else—anything of value?" asked the officer mechanically.