Price Five Cents.

Telling of His Relations, Fin-

mess again took up the matter with Mr. Woodruff, recovering about the entire amount, almost \$21,000, as per the statement made by the witness. In this amount was included the amount of \$11,000 paid previously to Mr. Melville for Mrs. King.

After the trust at the Woodruff Frust Company had been dissolved,

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Telling of His Relations, Financial And Otherwise, with Mrs. King, of Whose Murder He is Charged.

EXPLAINS MEANING

OF MANY LETTERS

Written By His to His Wife And to His Brother, And Also the Chesapeake Bay Letters to Mrs. King.

The afternoon session of court on Thursday convened at 2:30 o'clock, with Gaston B. Means continuing his narative relative to his relations with Mrs. Maude A. King as her business agent. He began where he left off at the morning session, after he had been on the stand for two and one-inarter hours.

The witness stated that beganiare with August, 1015, he had made reports monthly to Mrs. King, attaching to such reports all vouchers for that month, He had left in his apartments, property filed, all statements from August, 1915, to July 1917. There were, in all, seven or eight of those files. All of them had been taken to New York by the witness the latter part of July.

After the settlement was made by Mr. Melville with Mr. Woodruff, recastive to the Studebaker stock, the witness again took up the matter with Mr. Woodruff, relative to the Studebaker stock, the witness again took up the matter with Mr. Woodruff, relative to the Studebaker stock, the witness again took up the matter with Mr. Woodruff, relative to the Studebaker stock, the witness again took up the matter with Mr. Woodruff, relative to the Studebaker stock, the witness again took up the matter with Mr. Woodruff, relative to the Studebaker stock, the witness again took up the matter with Mr. Woodruff, relative to the Studebaker stock, the witness again took up the matter with Mr. Woodruff, relative to the Studebaker stock, the witness again took up the matter with Mr. Woodruff, relative to the Studebaker stock, the witness again took up the matter with Mr. Woodruff, relative to the Studebaker stock, the witness again took up the matter with Mr. Woodruff, relative to the Studebaker stock, the witness the latter part of July.

After the settlement was made by the witness the latter bank. The order was dated because the witne

\$30,000 or \$40,000, at the instruction of Mrs. King, leaving to Means the securities to be used as collateral. This was to be deposited in the name of Gaston Means, because of the fact that a suit had been entered against ber, with strong chances of a second suit. Several other suits were also pending. The loan was negotiated on December 13, 1916, and Mrs. King and Mrs. Robinson reached Chicago the same afternoon. To them he showed the transaction. The amount of \$30,000, less interest, was gotten from the Central Trust Company.

Another loan on securities from the

had absolutely not endeavored to separate Mrs. King and her mother, and he had never given Henry Deltch any instructions to watch Mrs. King or anyone else of the party. He did not know of Deltch ever having watched any of them, and Deltch almost always ate with Means. Mrs. King had her own automobile in Chicago and went every day where she pleased. Mrs. Robinson also had a car, a Locomobile, and rode whenever and wherever she desired.

Witness said he had given no in-

ever she desired.

Witness said he had given no instructions to Mr. Patterson at any time or anywhere to watch over Mrs. King or any of the party.

The letters the witness had written to his brother, Afton Means, were hand to his brother, Afton Means, were handed to him. He said the instructions he gave with reference to forwarding he gave with reference to forwarding all mail for any of the party to him at Asheville was because. First, it was easier to put all in one envelope an I send to him; another reason was that in the mail there would be business letters which needed his attention, and which, if given to Mrs. King or Mrs. which needed his attention, and which, if given to Mrs. King or Mrs. Melvin would most likely be mislaid. He never withheld any letter from them and they invariably consuited him about the matters therein contained. Only a business letter was ever opened by him, said the witness, without authority from the one to whom addressed. Mrs. King and Mrs. Melvin were in favor of this plan because Mrs. Robinson then could not get their letters and open them.

She request that Afton should not let anyone know where the party was at present was because they did not want the "other side" (meaning the ones opposed to the will) to bother the

ones opposed to the will) to bother the party until the arrangements for the new will were completed. The reason no forwarding address was given was

German Wedges Driven Into the Salient Before Cambria Compels Them to Take This Action.

BRITISH LINE IS SHORTENED

Indications That the Bolsheviki Government Fears Opposition to the Armistice With Austro-Germans.

(By The Associated Press.)

The German wedges driven into the salient before Cambral, have compelled the British to evacuate the exposed points, to the cent and they have given up to the Germans several villages west of Cambral as well as the Bourion wood. The retirement was carried on so quietly that the Germans continued to shell the empty position for peveral hours.

hours.

The British line has been shortened and made more capable of strong defense by retirement.

Berlin in its last report claims the occupation of Marcoing about four-miles southwest of Cambral. Final German attacks South of Burlon Wood

the British.

Violent fighting continues on the North Italian front between Asiago and the Brenta river where the Austro-Germans made gains Wednesday, but have not yet been able to break the Italian line. The Italians inflicting heavy losses on the attackers retired gradually to prepare positions.

On the west end of the line the Austro-German attempt to circle the Meletta position and cut it off were defeated. Along the Brenta east of Monte Badenecche and Monte Tondarecar lost Wednesday to the enemy the Italians were repulsed with heavy losses, a determined effort to break through. the British.

While the Russian soldiers on a great sector of an eastern front have agreed to a ten days armistice with the Austro-Germans there are indications that the Bolsheviki government in Patersend fours an emposition. in Petrograd fears an opp

People Stunned by Magnitude Disaster.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 7.—Stunned by the magnitude of the disaster which has overwhelmed the garrison eity by the sea, the people of Halifax today spent all energies in relieving injured and leader than humany, sheltering the homeless and gathering their dead.

A heavy superson as

A heavy snowstorm set in today and while this in a measure imped-ded the work of relief or rescue of firemen in fighting the flames which still burn fiercely in many

Reports from the improvised mor-ues and from hospitals, churches schools and private resi ed to bear out last night's estimate that at least 2,000 lives were lost when the Belgium relief ship Ioma collided with the French munition ship steamer Mont Blane causing the detonation of 4,000 tons of trinitro-tunuoll one of the most powerful ex-plosives manufactured. Help from the outside began to reach the city to-

outside began to reach the city tofood supplies arrived on special
trains from Truro and Windsor, N.
S. and from Mongton, N. B.
Other trains were reported on the
way and are expected to reach here
during the day. Special trains sent
from Boston by direction of Gov.
McCall of Massachusetts, will arvive this avanive.

rive this evening.

Virtually all business is suspended.
The schools are closed and inhabitants generally are turning their attention to relief work.
Soldiers and sailors, including sea-

men from an American warship which rushed to the port when it re-ecived word of the disaster are pa-tralling districts and aiding in rescue work.

American Consulate Destroyed. (By International News Service.)

Washington, Dec. 7.—The state department was notified today that the American consulate at Halifax was destroyed in yesterday's disaster. Ethelbert Watts, the American consulgeneral, has not reported since the explosion. The consulate was two blocks from the water front. It is in the from the water front. It is in the area where the greatest destruction is reported.

At the Theatres. Ben Wilson and Neva Gerber in the "Spindle of Life." at the Thea-torium today. This is a Butterfly feature. Don't miss this beautiful

feature. Don't miss this beautiful oboto play.

Margurita. Fischer in "The But-terfly Girl." at the New Pastime to-iay, a five set play. Also a Mutual comedy. "The Elonment."

THEATORIUM TODAY A Butterfly Feature

Neva Gerber Ben Wilson

"The Spindle of Life"
Mother had the society bug and wanted her daughter to marry a man who was poor but an aristocrat. But "Gladsome" had entirely different ideas. What happened in the fishing village of Harborsport one summer will entertain you. See this beautiful photoplay today.

With Less Than An Hour's 10,000 STUDENTS UNDER Debate the Senate Adopted Resolution Declaring War on Austria-Hungary.

WAS ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

Even Senators Gronna, Norris, Vardaman, Who Voted Against War With Germany, Support Resolution.

(By The Associated Press) Washington, Dec. 7.—With less than one hour's debate the Senate today passed resolutions reclaring war on Austria-Hungary.

The resolution was adopted by the Senate unanimously. Senators Grouns of North Dokota; Norris, of Nebraska and Vardaman, of Mississippi, who pported the resolution. Senator La-dlette, of Wisconsin, left during the each making and did not cast his

al Stone Presented Resolution. Washington, Dec. 7. — Chairman tone, of the Senate Foreign Relation ee, today presented to the nate the war re ria-Hungary and moved its immediate Beside the reason is Germany active ally, and as gainst the United States, Senator Stone declared there was further rea-on that inasmuch as Italy, France and Belgium comprised one battle froat American troops might at any time e facing Austria. Senator Stone made no reference to

Turkish or Bulgarian relations. The Resolution in the House.

Washington, Dec. 7.—The debate the House on the resolution to delare war on Austria was opened by Chairman Flood of the Foreign Af-airs Committee. He asked the House to pass the resolution unanimously. The declaration, he said, was essential to the welfare of the allies, and further, that Austria in an unrestrict and ruthless submarine warfare and sunk American ships and mur ered American citizens.

No time for a vote on the resolu tion was set by the House, but it is believed it might be reached before

D. m. today. Meanwhile here was every indica

lutions will be reconciled or one sub-stituted for the ohtre.

STORY OF EYE WITNESSES OF HALIFAX DISASTER le With Noses Cut Off, Eyes Put

Out And Limbs Torn and Distorted.
(By The Associated Press) St. Johns, N. S., Dec. 7.—Eye wit-nesses of the Halifax explosion reach-ing here today told details of the exriences. In the party were fourtee

emy.
Esmond P. Barry, St. John postal clerk, was at Richmond during the worst of the catastrophe.

"It was terrible," he said.

"People were dying in our car like flies. Some of them came to the place with their noses cut off, eyes put out, limbs torn and distorted. On one occasion while we were working around a wrecked building, we could see a lit-tle baby, fifty feet or more away, underneath the mass, crying for aid. We could not get within thirty feet of the child, and had to watch it burn to leath. Men, women and children were lying in the streets, and hundreds must be buried beneath the wreckage."

RUMANIANS TO JOIN THE RUSSIANS. Hestilities Suspended Today on the Whole Front

(By The Associated Press)
Jassy, Roumania, Dec 7.—It has seen decided that the Roumania troops shall associate themselves with the Russians in the proposed armistice, though the Roumanians have rejected

every attempt at fraternization, says official announcement made here today Hostilities were suspended today on the whole front. Stone Resolution in Senate.

(By International News Service.)
(Washington, Dec. 7.—Senator
Stone, chairman of the Foreign Relations committee reported the resolution declaring war against Austriashortly after the Senate convened today. He gave notice he would ask its
consideration immediately after the
conclusion of the routine business.

4,000 More Italians Captured.
(By The Associated Press)

Berlin via London, Dec. 7.—Four thousand more Italians have been captured in the new Austro-German offensive on the Northern front bringing the total up to 15,000 according to today's official communication.

Rush Knitted Garments.

The Red Cross wishes to send off the knitted garments as soon as possible. Please bring in your work, so that same can be shipped the first of next week. KNITTING COM., A. R. C.

A woman residing on a farm in cestern Canada, and whose son had sen killed in the war, drove fourtsen illes to attend a Red Cross meet-

Many a man has declined to follow brass bund down the street because a didn't have a gwa.

# FIVE THOUSAND PEOPLE ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN KIL Blate LABORET EN AT

MILITARY INSTRUCTION Probably the Greatest Military Scho the World Has Ever Seen.

BY NEWTON C. PARKE

Staff Correspondent of International
News Service.
With the American Army in France,
Dec. 7.—Probably the greatest military school this army or any other has
ever seen, got under way today in a
historic French town on top of a high
hill which pokes its crest abruptly
from the surrounding lowlands. from the surrounding lowlands.
While the headquarters and staff colleges are located in the town itself

behind the old Roman walls, parts of the school are scattered to several low-land villages.

When in full progress ten thousand students will be under instruction learning the science of war, and will give way to others as their training

t completed. Schools are being conducted for antiair craft artillery and air craft ma ine gunnery trench motars and sanitary work, in which there are comp its for attachment to divisious in

training The army candidates school where non-commissions learn to be officers are also open. In a few days infantry specialists and automatic weapon spe cialists will be instructing officers and he course also will include grande throwing, mortar firing, musketry bayonetting and shooting. When train bayonetting and shooting. When trained these men will return to their divi-

ions as instructors of the men. The instructors include both French and British officers. As soon as possi ble a special tank school will be opened and arrangements are being made to secure a number of tanks from the

French for practice. On a picturesque cliff, from the summit of which the country for miles around can be seen in panoramas, is located the staff college where officers are taking a course of post graduates receiving the final finishing touches for staff officership.

AVIATORS ARRIVE ON THE ITALIAN FRONT

To Aid in Stemming the Advance of the Austro-German Armies. (By International News Service.) Washington, Dec. 7 .- More than one

hundred British aviators have arrived safely on the Italian front to aid in stemming the advance of the Austro German armies, according to official advices reaching here today. Word of the arrival of the British aviators afte a record breaking flight from the west ern front across the Alps to Northern Italy may now be printed for the first time. Single machines have made long-er flights than that undertaken by the Meanwhile here was every indication that the resolution would pass
in the House with only one dissenting vote. Representative London.

The second of the in safety was taken to mean that there had been no mishaps of any kind or

THE COTTON MARKET.

Showed Continued Nervou (By The Associated Press)

New York, Dec. 7 .- The cotton mar ket continued nervous and irregularity during today's early trading. Th opening was 8 to 20 points higher with ear months relatively easy under liquidation. The more active months sold about 3 to 6 points higher after

Cotton futures opened firm. Decem ber, 29.26; January, 28.40; 28.15; May, 27.88; July, 27.65.

E. M. UZZELL DEAD.

For Many Years He Was Engaged in the Printing Business. (By The Associated Press)

Raleigh, Dec. 7.—E. M. Uzzell, commissioner of public safety of the city of Raleigh died here early this morning. Mr. Uzzell was 67 years of age and had been ill less than a week. For many years he was engaged in the statics business in this city and reprinting business in this city and re-tired when his plant was burned in 1915. He was elected to the office of commissioner of public safety last

Red Cross Relief Corps Reaches Cana dian Border.

(By International News Service.)
Vanceburg, Me., Dec. 7.—The Massachusetts Relief special bearing Red
Cross doctors and nurses from Boston this morning. The train was 20 min-utes ahead of its schedule. It will ar-rive at Halifax late this afternoon. The train carries eleven surgeons, ten nurses, twenty Red Cross relief work-ers and a car load of medical and other

Big Fire in Philadelphia. (By International News Service.)

Philadelphia, Dec. 7.—Pire is raging in the oil cloth building of the Tho-mas Potter Sons & Co., Inc., at the corner of Second street and Eric avenu-and threatens the destruction of the entire building. Sux alarms have all ready been turned in.

More than 7,000,000 cans of food were put up this summer by the wo-men's canning clubs in North Carolina.

According to Advices Received in Washington From Naval Commander Reaching Naval Department.

RELIEF WORK

IN PROGRESS

All Northern Halifax Was Destroyed and Three Ships Sunk.-Ruins Are Now Burning Fiercely.

(By The Associated Press)

Washington, D. C., Dec. 7. — Five thousand are believed to have been killed in the explosion in Halifax harbor and the fire which swept north Halifax and Dartsmouth, N. C., ac-cording to advices from a naval com-mander, reaching the Navy Depart-ment, early today. The dispatch says

the figures are not verified, however.

A report which came from a naval commander, who witnessed the ex-plosion from a point 52 miles off Halifax and later proceeded to the harbor to render aid, said all northern Halffax was destroyed, three ships sunk and many others damaged. 'The ruins of the buildings are now burning flercely in northern Hallfax," the dis patch concludes.

Saw Bodies of Several U. S. Sallers. Truro, N. S., Dec. 7.-A telegraph operator sent here from Halifax by the Western Union Telegraph Com-pany said today that he saw the bodies of several sailors of the United States navy, who hall been killed by the ex-

plosion yesterday.

The disaster, which has plunged the Dominion into mouring, probably will rank as the most tearful that ever occurred on the American continent. Residents of Halifax and thousands

Residents of Halifax and thousands of volunteer relief workers who have come into the city have been almost dazed at the extent of the horror.

Temporary morgues have been established-in many buildings to which a steady procession of vehicles of all kinds have been carrying for hours the bodies of men, women and children. Most of them were so charred that they were unrecognizable, Thousands of persons seeking trace of relatives and friends have passed by the long, silent rows, attempt. ed by the long, silent rows, attempting, by the flickering light of lamps lanterns, to identify the

they sought. Canadian officers who have seen which has befallen any city in

Chief of Police Hanrahan late last night estimated the number of killed at 2,000 and other city officials ex-

pressed their belief that it would exceed that number.

The collision which resulted in probably the worst disaster in the history of the dominion occurred no Pier 8 in the narrows leading from the harbor to Bedford basin. The munition ship was bound from New York for Bedford basin when the relief ship Ioma, bound for sea, crash-

ed into her. The Mont Blane was pierced on the port side almost to the engine room. The other ship, which was only slightly damaged, backed away when flames burst out on the munitions ship, and was abandoned by the crew The captain of the Mont Blanc ordered his crew to the bosts, as he realized an explosion was inevitable. The men reached shore safely before the tremendous blast 17 minutes later which blew their ship to pieces and wrecked a large part of the city.

American Consul Safe. (By International News Service.)

Philadelphia, Dec. 7. - Ethelber Watts, American consul general and his aides at Halifax are safe. This information was contained in a tele-gram from Mr. Watts to his wife in this city.

Mrs. Watts was overjoyed to learn that her husband was unhurt. Why the State department in Wash-

ington-did not receive a message from Mr. Watts is not explained. Overman Resolution Adopted.

(By International News Service.) Washington, Dec. 7.-The Senate his afternoon adopted without opposi tion the Overman resolution suspend-ing until January 1, 1919, that part of the Clayton anti-trust law forbidding joint buying agreements by the rail-roads. The action is the first step to ward carrying out the railroad unifica-tion scheme proposed by the Inter-State Commerce Commission.

Police Estimate Still 2,000 Dead.

(By The Associated Press) Halifax, Dec. 7.—Up to noon toda; Halifax, Dec. 7.—Up to uoon the there had been no change in the police estimate of 2,000 dead in yesterday's estimate of the same number are disaster. About the same number injured, two thirds of whom are su ing from cuts of flying glass.

Read the Penny ads today.

## Christmas Club

Matures December 13. No payments received after Saturday, December 8. Members can receive their money by presenting book or card on or after the 13th. NEW CLUB OPEN NOW. For white people only.

Citizens Bank and Trust Company.