

GERMANY ASSURES US SHE DOES NOT INTEND REVOKING HER PLEDGE

WILL SINK ARMED MERCHANT VESSELS

Germany Sees No Reason For Postponing Her New Policy in Submarine Warfare.

TUESDAY AT MIDNIGHT Order Effective at Close of February 29—Expects No Trouble With the United States.

(By the Associated Press)

Washington, Feb. 28.—In a note presented to Secretary Lansing today by Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador to the United States...

Germany's response to the request of the United States for assurances regarding the conduct of submarine warfare in the future was presented to Secretary Lansing today.

The ambassador was instructed to inform the United States that assurances regarding the future conduct of the Teutonic submarines given in the Lusitania and Arabic cases still are binding...

Germany contends that British merchantmen armed ostensibly for defense carry guns for the special purpose of attacking German submarines...

The instructions call attention to the German claim that despite assurances of Great Britain that her merchantmen are armed for defense that they will never fire unless first fired upon...

The ambassador was instructed to call attention to the fact that the French ships are not armed and that British ships entering American ports are not armed...

The note says that Germany can conceive of no reasons for changing or postponing new instructions to their submarine commanders to treat as warships the enemy's merchant ships...

ONLY 260 PERSONS ON THE MALOJA HAVE BEEN ACCOUNTED FOR

(By the Associated Press)

London, Feb. 28.—Of the total complement of 411 passengers and crew on the Peninsular and Oriental line steamship, Maloja, which struck a mine and sank within a half hour two miles off Dover...

Of the total of 119 passengers, 64 names of persons saved are known to have been received at the steamship's office. It was stated that there were hopes of more names of saved would be received.

The bodies of three more Lascars of the crew of the Maloja have been washed ashore, making a total of bodies recovered 47.

Austrians Occupy Durazzo

Vienna, via London, Feb. 28.—Austro-Hungarian troops occupied the Albanian port of Durazzo Sunday morning, according to an official announcement issued yesterday.

TWO STARS IN COHAN'S LATEST HIT



Miss LILA RHODES and RICHARD CARLE in "THE COHAN REVUE OF 1916"

Miss Lila Rhodes and Richard Carle are two of the principal characters in the "Cohan Revue of 1916," George M. Cohan's latest musical play...

Great Battle of Verdun Is Now Beginning Its Second Week With Unabated Fury

(By the Associated Press)

The great battle of Verdun now entering its second week is continuing with unabated fury with the German armies driving hard at the French defenses along a lengthening line which now runs far beyond the salient in which lies the fortress.

Paris asserts that with the pouring in of reinforcements for the French armies the German advance has been checked, but Berlin claims a continuation of the forward march on the French stronghold.

Along the Meuse to the north of Verdun the Germans have been unable to make as rapid progress as at first although the battle continues with intensity. On the Woerpre front where the French at first fell back they now appear to be offering effective resistance.

The French defensive operations at places are taking on the nature of a counter offensive as in the attack on Fort Douaumont, four miles northeast of Verdun. This development as forecast in dispatches, told of expectations in Paris that the French when falling back to positions that they believed they could hold indefinitely would drive back over the ground that had been yielded in the face of the terrific German artillery and infantry attacks.

German reports fail to agree with the French version of fighting, Berlin announcing that further advances for the

TWO MEN SPILLED WHEN A BUGGY OVERTURNED HERE THIS MORNING

A serious accident was narrowly averted this morning at the corner of Main and Commerce streets when Horace Ragan and H. A. Tomlinson were thrown from their buggy when it overturned. Mr. Ragan received a slight cut on his forehead and Mr. Tomlinson escaped without a scratch.

Messrs. Ragan and Tomlinson were coming up from South Main street in a buggy, with Mr. Ragan driving. As Mr. Ragan was about to turn in Commerce street he noticed a child just in front of his buggy.

He turned quickly in order to avoid striking the child and to do so he was forced to turn on the car track. A car was coming up South Main street and Mr. Ragan was forced to turn again to get out of the way of the approaching car.

This time he turned too quickly and the buggy went over. Both of the men were thrown to the ground but neither was hurt seriously. However, they both had a good opportunity and it was described by the spectators as being a very narrow escape from serious injury for either or both of the gentlemen.

The Weather. Warmer weather, probably rain tonight; snow Tuesday and in western portion tonight; moderate variable winds.

JURY REVERDS VERDICT FOR \$10,000 IN GURLEY'S FAVOR

After being out less than 30 minutes, the jury in the Superior court at Greensboro in the case of Gurley against the Southern Power company and G. C. Howard awarded the plaintiff \$10,000 for the drowning of young Samuel Shropshire in the company's pool here May 30, last. The defendants appealed to the Supreme court.

The plaintiff contended that Howard, in charge of the pool, rented bathing suits to young boys and allowed them to swim in the pool when he and the company knew that it was dangerous. Among the boys who were rented suits was young Shropshire and last May he was drowned in that pool.

"BUY A CAN" IS TODAY'S SLOGAN IN HIGH POINT

This is "Buy a Can" day in High Point, the day when every person is urged to buy a can or so of the tomatoes put up by the girls of the Guilford county club. You can get a can at almost any grocery store in High Point and they are guaranteed as to quality and quantity.

A demonstration of the various methods of putting up tomatoes and of using them will be given this afternoon at V. W. Idol's grocery. Miss Grace Schaeffer, demonstration agent for Guilford county, will be in charge, being assisted by Mrs. Lillian Capehart, agent for Granville county and Miss Effie Vines, of Edgecombe county.

MRS. HATLEY DIED SATURDAY EVENING; WAS BURIED TODAY

Mrs. Hattie G. Hatley, wife of A. K. Hatley, died at her home, 217 Park street, Saturday evening at 7 o'clock after a lingering illness of pulmonary tuberculosis. Mrs. Hatley was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Northcott and was born in Moore county August 7, 1884, and at the time of her death was 31 years, 4 months and 19 days of age.

The funeral services were conducted from the residence this afternoon at 2 o'clock, by Rev. J. M. Hilliard, of the Green street Baptist church. Interment followed in Oakwood cemetery.

HALIFAX COUNTY DEPUTY SHERIFF IS FATALLY WOUNDED

(By the Associated Press.)

Rocky Mount, Feb. 28.—Deputy Sheriff C. M. Hawkins, of Halifax county, was fatally wounded yesterday and died last night as the result of a gunshot wound to the chest. It is the intention of the coroner to make it attractive for our men to prepare themselves to go to the camps and in case they are needed to defend our shores. We are with President Wilson in his stand for peace and justice, and our officials feel that this country should be prepared for an attack from foreign powers.

Preparedness for war is the paramount question before the people of this country today and, in doing what we did we feel that we are only performing a patriotic duty. We want to instill patriotism into the hearts of our men. If any of our men want to go to the training camps established by the government they will be at liberty to do so without molestation on our part, and we will see that they do not incur any financial loss by doing so. This also applies to workmen who want to enlist in the National guard.

WEST DURHAM POSTOFFICE A MEAL TICKET FOR YEGGS

(By the Associated Press.)

Durham, Feb. 28.—Some one early this morning broke into the Durham postoffice and blew the large safe for the fourth time within a little more than a year. Thirty dollars in cash was taken and \$200 worth of stamps were blown into shreds by the nitro-glycerine used. Tracks of robbers left in the asbestos scattered on the floor are the only clue the officers have to work with. With the three past robberies about \$5,000 in cash and stamps have been taken.

Two Athletics to Carolina. Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 28.—Connie Mack, manager of the Philadelphia Athletics, has announced the release of five players. They are Pitcher Walter Under, to the Asheville (North Carolina league) team; Harry Danrau, a third baseman, to Raleigh (North Carolina league); Pitcher Harry Eccles and Shortstop Harry C. Seibold, who go to Wheeling (Central league); and Pitcher Wilbur Davis, to Atlanta (Southern league).

EMPLOYEES TO HAVE CHANCE TO TRAIN

Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company Leads in Plan to Give Military Training.

TWO WEEKS' VACATION

Its Employees May Take Two Weeks' Training and Receive Their Regular Pay.

W. D. Brooks, head manager for the Pittsburgh Plate Glass company, has been informed that his company has decided to give all of its employees a vacation of two weeks in which they may attend a military training camp as provided by the Federal government. The company will also allow any of its employees who belong to the state guards to attend the summer encampment. During the employees stay at these military training camps they are to receive full pay. Each local manager is to designate which of his employees shall be allowed this vacation and the matter is left entirely to his discretion.

This corporation is said to be the first in the country to take such action. There are over 4,000 employees of the Pittsburgh Plate Glass company and many of them will doubtless be given an opportunity to receive military training, all the while their pay is to be continued. Sunday's New York and Philadelphia papers gave the announcement of this corporation prominent space and commented favorably upon its action.

The following is the wording of the resolution as passed by the board of directors:

"The local managers of the Pittsburgh Plate Glass company are hereby authorized to permit such employees as desire to enter any of the military training camps of the United States army or the naval reserves and to grant such employees an additional vacation of two weeks on full pay.

"Any employee of the Pittsburgh Plate Glass company who enlists in or is a member of the National guard shall be permitted to attend the annual encampments and receive full pay during his absence for this purpose.

"The foregoing privileges are to be granted by our managers at their discretion, and, with the understanding that at no time shall enough men be absent to materially interfere with the conduct of our business."

C. W. Brown, the director of the corporation who introduced the resolution, gave out the following public statement:

"It has come to my attention that some of our men who are members of the National guard had difficulty in getting permission to attend the annual encampment. In some remote instances I believe some were discharged for getting out, and permission was extended, they left the wages. It is the intention of our company to make it attractive for our men to prepare themselves to go to the camps and in case they are needed to defend our shores. We are with President Wilson in his stand for peace and justice, and our officials feel that this country should be prepared for an attack from foreign powers.

"Preparedness for war is the paramount question before the people of this country today and, in doing what we did we feel that we are only performing a patriotic duty. We want to instill patriotism into the hearts of our men. If any of our men want to go to the training camps established by the government they will be at liberty to do so without molestation on our part, and we will see that they do not incur any financial loss by doing so. This also applies to workmen who want to enlist in the National guard.

"If our workmen are willing to make the sacrifice of leaving their homes and families to spend several weeks conditioning themselves for the rigors and hardships of modern warfare, and to become efficient in the handling of arms, we feel the least we can do is to protect them from any financial loss in performing a duty to their flag. We will pay them while they are absent, and those going to the training camps will be given a two weeks' vacation on full pay besides."

Pennsylvania Beats Test Requirement. Rockland, Maine, Feb. 28.—A speed three quarters of a knot in excess of contract requirements was attained by the superbly thought Pennsylvania when she was pushed on the fastest mile of her standardization test at the rate of 21.75 knots an hour Sunday. Eleven runs were made to complete the tests hindered by thick weather last Thursday.