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## KAISER FORCES AUSTRIA TO BATTLE ITALY

AT MEETING BETWEEN GERMAN AND AUSTRIAN KINGS AND WITH CHIEFS OF STAFFS OF BOTH COUNTRIES KAISER DOMINATES

## WANTS BLOWS TO BE STRUCK QUICKLY

(By United Press) Paris, May 14.—Kaiser Wilhelm in conference with Emperor Karl of Austria, at grand headquarters, insisted on a big Austro-Italian offensive against Italy, simultaneously with a renewal of the west front drive, is the report that has been received here. The German and Austrian staffs participated in the conference which occurred Friday.

## AMETHYST FOUND WEIGHS 215 LBS.

(By United Press) Rio de Janeiro, May 14.—An amethyst weighing 215 pounds has been found in Mar de Hespenha, a town in the state of Minas Geraes, and is being exhibited here. A patriotic Brazilian suggests that the big jewel be used as a scarf-pin setting for the Kaiser. The stone is said to be the largest amethyst ever found.

## RAINFALL OVER 2 INCHES

When the weather reports for the week was published in yesterday's Commonwealth by Mr. J. Y. Savage it was stated there had been no rain this month, since which time there has been 2 and 20-100 inches in the last twelve hours. This is more than half the average for a month a little over four inches being the adequate rainfall for each month.

## RAISE LETTUCE IN CEMETERY

McKeesport, Pa., May 14.—They're going to raise liberty lettuce and win-the-war watermelons in the most exclusive cemetery in McKeesport this summer. So intense has become the war garden campaign here that enough space for all the gardens applied for could not be found in all the vacant lots and golf courses about town, so the grave yard was drafted into the service of democracy. The "democracy of the grave" no longer will be a rhetorical figure. It will be materialized in terms of cabbage and corn. Already the vacant lots in the cemetery have been plowed. They are being prepared for planting and boys and adults alike soon will be turning the "city of the dead" into a mighty lively location. The city plowed and harrowed the cemetery and river bank land, and is furnishing fertilizer to all who ask it. More than 190 acres has been parcelled out to persons who promise to use it to the utmost for production of vegetables.

## TWO VIRGINIANS ON CANADAS LIST

(By UNITED PRESS) Ottawa, May 14. F. R. Soanes of Richmond, and E. H. Wells, of Norton were included in today's Canadian casualty list.

## ARCHER HEADS AIRCRAFT WORK

Washington, May 14.—Archer A. Landon, of Buffalo New York, has been appointed chief of the aircraft production division, it has been officially announced.

Archer has been until recently vice-president of the American Radiator Company and has had much experience in Europe. He has already assumed his new post.

## LAST DRAFTS SENT ABROAD THIS SUMMER

(By United Press) Washington, May 14.—Thousands of men called in the last two drafts increments will soon be on their way to France.

So rapidly has the movement of troops across the Atlantic become that the soldiers who had no hope of active service within six or eight months will be on the firing line by summer.

## FRENCH REPORT SMALL ATTACKS

Paris, May 14.—Our patrols brought in prisoners north of Hargard en Santerre, in the Amiens sector and west of the Meuse, in the Verdun sector, the French war office announces.

A sharp attack by the Germans was repulsed northwest of Orville Sorrel, southeast of Montdidier, and a German attempt north of Fecht failed.

Cannonading at Vosges Butte and at des Mesnil, where the American artillery was engaged, has been most severe.

## HINDENBURG'S PROMISE GONE BY THE BOARD

AWAITING NEW THRUST EVIDENCE SHOWS GERMANY FAILED IN TWO FORMER ASSAULTS TO FORCE THE ALLIES TO DESIRED PEACE

## ENEMY MUST OVERHAUL ENTIRE ARMY

(BY UNITED PRESS) With the British armies in France, May 14.—While the German high command is completing preparations for the third, and perhaps biggest, thrust of all, a sinister silence spreads along the battle lines. Six weeks have passed since the combined drive of the German and Bavarian Crown Prince was checked on both sides of the Somme, and comparatively little ground was won by Von Armin and Von Quast along the Lys

## CALLED FOR BANK STATEMENT

(By United Press) Washington May 14. The comptroller of the currency has issued a call for a statement of the condition of national banks at the close of business Friday last, May 10.

## ELMER BUTLER IS MISSING

(By United Press) Washington May 14.—The Marine Corps casualty list issued today contained but one name, gunner sergeant Elmer Butler, of Washington, Georgia, missing in action.

## CZECHS-SLAVS MAY RECEIVE ALLIED HELP

(By United Press) Washington, May 14.—A movement is afoot to bring about an American allied extension, direct assurance and aid, if possible, to small countries of central and southern Europe, which are now growing increasingly bold and restless under Austro-German rule.

Following an official report here that the Slav element in Austria has openly defied the government and declared its allegiance to the Bohemia-Slovak Union this country and allies will, as this feeling develops, informally espouse the cause of the Czechs and Slovaks.

### COTTON MARKET.

	Open	High	Low	Close
May	26.50	26.50	26.03	26.03
July	26.25	26.25	25.65	25.65
Oct.	25.46	25.46	24.92	24.92
Dec.	25.37	25.37	24.75	24.75

Local Market Normal

## GOVERNMENT IS OPPOSED TO PEACE

AUSTIN CHAMBERLAIN, MEMBER OF THE BRITISH WAR COUNCIL THUS STATES BEFORE MEETING OF WOMAN'S REFORM

## MUST AWAIT TEST OF BATTLE STRENGTH

(By United Press) London, May 14.—"The government is opposed to peace, but it is idle to talk about it until the great trial of strength has been fought out on the battlefield," is the statement made by Austin Chamberlain, son of the late Joseph Chamberlain, one of England's greatest nineteenth century statesmen, who is member of the war cabinet, before a meeting of the Women's Unionist Tariff reform Association.

## GORDON BENNETT DIED IN FRANCE

(By United Press) New York, May 14.—James Gordon Bennett, proprietor of the New York Herald, died at his home, the Villa Namouna, Baulieu, near Nice, in the south of France, this morning at 9:40.

Bennett, who had blind and in ill health for several years, died at an advanced age. He has for more than twenty five years made France his home.

## INDIAN RACE ALSO PATRIOTIC

(By United Press) Washington, May 14.—There's no better American than the American Indian, and he's starting out to prove it with a hoe.

G. E. Parks, superintendent of the Five Civilized Tribes in Oklahoma, offers evidence. In a report to the national war garden commission he says, "Nearly all our Indians are planting good gardens. Their farming this year will be better than ever before."

## ENEMY LOSSES AT TWO POINTS

(By United Press) London, May 14.—Hostile artillery was active last night along the Somme and Ancre region, states Field Marshal Haig.

"An enemy party attacking a post west of Moreville was repulsed with losses. "We carried out a successful raid northeast of Robecq last night taking prisoners, and suffering no casualties."

## FOOD RULING WITH TEETH

That the regulation of the sale and consumption of wheat and other grain foods is getting more stringent is shown by the following letter from the county food administrator, just to hand.

W. E. Smith, Please notify and require of every merchant in your township to file with me on each Monday morning a list of all flour sold by him during the previous week, beginning with Monday, May 13, 1918, to whom sold, amount, date when sold, and amount of cereal substitutes sold therewith. Also whether or not person whom sold is hotel keeper, boarding house keeper, proprietor of restaurant. Please let me know as soon as you have notified merchants in your township to this effect. Yours very truly R. C. DUNN Food Administrator.

## CAPTURED 100 NEW ENGLANDERS AT SECHREPY

Washington May 14. The names twenty seven more men captured by the Germans are shown on the casualty list issued today, mostly all of them being New England men, bringing the total captured at Sechrepy to more than one hundred men.

The list also shows fourteen killed in action seven deaths from wounds, three of disease and twenty one wounded slightly. Willie B. Sanders, of Converse, S. C. is reported as one of the men killed in action in today's casualty list.

## DRESS TO MATCH NEWEST MUSIC

Philadelphia, May 14.—The noiseless piano is on the way, and the young lady in the flat above soon will cease to tiffy. Mrs. Mary Hallock Greenwalt has been demonstrating to friends here a music in colors. It simply gives the "correct color value" of each note, and makes you feel as though you were listening to music, when, as a matter of fact, you're only looking at music. Mrs. Greenwalt, before her marriage, was a concert pianist of some standing, and therefore doesn't play ragtime in colors,

but her "Triumphal March" from "Aida" is said to be a fine combination of rich purples and high carmines, and on the same theory it is predicted that a very particular bridal pair may have the Lohenengrin music in white and conventional black, or may choose a program to match the bride's hair. In future, when you attend a musicale you have to dress to match the music.