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THE WEATHER.

Generally fair tonight and Sunday. moderate northwest winds.

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STATE FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS WARSHIP LAUN

North Carolina Convention Holds Forth Ne in Goldsboro

BIG ATTENDANCE

Frogram Filled With Big Subiects - Woman Suffrage + May Bob Up During the Session.

> Tuesday, May 4th. m.-Executive Board .

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-Opening session.

Wednesday, May 5th. a. m.—Presentation

10 a. m.—Business session.

+ brany Extension, Literature, + 4 p. m.-Drive. + 8 p. m.-Lecture on "Social -Thursday, May 6th.

10 a. m.—Business session. + 1 p. m.-Luncheon by Elks.

+ tal, by Mrs. Wade Brown.

+ non p. m.—Banquet. Friday, May 7th. 1" a. m.—Business session.

(By Susan Iden.) Goldsboro, N. C., May 1.-The House. above is the complete program of the North Carolina Federation of Womtus Tubs which meets in Goldsboro on May 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th. The meetings will be presided over by Miss Adelaide L. Fries, of Winston-Salem, who is completing her second orm as president of the federation. The election of a new president this Year will lend interest to the gathering The other officers of the federa-Miss Gertrude Weil, Goldsfirst vice president; Mrs. W. A. Sinclair, Fayetteville, second vice President: Mrs. A. C. Avery, Jr., Mor- Fish Commission Bills"-Dr. Joseph gantum recording secretary; Mrs. E. Hyde Pratt. Graham, Chapel Hill, correspondnz secretary; Mrs. D. Y. Cooper, State organizations. treasurer; Mrs. Clarence! lahason, Raleigh, auditor; Mrs. S. L. ciation. New Bern, general federation state secretary, and Mrs. R. R. Bruce, honorary president. work of the Federation is caried on through departments. They he chairmen are as follows: Art, F. Long, Statesville; Civics, Mis Joseph Hyde Pratt, Chapel Hill; Mrs. George W. Wil-Son Gastonia; Education, Mrs. C. C. Charlotte; Health, Mrs. Mark Girls. Witherby, Greenville; Home Eco-Mrs. Henry Walton Carter, Clubs. Literature, Mrs. Z. B. the Black Mountain; Library Ex-Mrs. A. H. Powell, Oxford;

Goldsboro Hostess Second Time.

J. A. Brown, Chadbourn;

Service, Mrs. T. W. Siegle, Da-

Mrs. T. P. Jerman, Raleigh;

God shore is preparing to entertain at the third annual meetprincipal meetings will be the program being: the new Wayne county Court

a handsome, commodious that will give ample accordas for both open sessions and onferences.

the former meeting in Golds-Federation has grown to be recognized body of wom-State and a force to be with in the upbuilding and North Carolina. The recordintary at the meeting in Faylast year reported 101 federthe about 3,542. The federation All For the Good of All." no federation was organized at Minston-Salem in 1902 and was adFIRST CAR OF BERRIES.

Rocky Point, N. C., May 1.-The first car of strawberries to + gove over the Wilmington & # don Railroad will go forward 4 orrow by express.

Every one is feeling good this & IS EXPECTED + morning over the refreshing rain + + last night. Crops are all looking + 🕈 fine today. Strawberries are 🕏 selling from 15 cents to 35 cents, + · according to quality.

> mitted to the General Federation in 1903. The presidents have been Mrs. Lindshy Patterson, 1902-1905; Mrs. J. T. Alderman, 1905-1907; Miss Margaret Lovel Gibson, 1907-1909; Mrs Eugene Reilly, 1909-1911; Mrs. Rob ert Cotton, 1911-1913; Miss Adelaide L. Fries, 1913-1915.

Business-like Body.

Under the presiding hand of Miss Fries, the meeting at Fayetteville m.-Board of Directors' + last year was marked by an ease and dispatch that awakened the admiration of all. The presidents address 10 p. m.—Reception by Algon- which consumed hardly more than three minutes, was characteristic of the business-like, smooth manner in which Miss Fries dispatched all the business of the convention. There was not even a ripple to ruffle the harmony of the occasion and lend a 2.30 p. m.—Conference of spice of interest. Reporters and the + Civics. Conservation, Social Ser. + few men who attended the business sessions made flattering compari-+ 2:30 p. m.—Conference on Li- sons of the federation with some large bodies of men in annual session.

Department Conferences.

At the mid-winter council meeting * Service," by Mr. Clarence Poe. * of the Federation, held in Statesville in January, it was decided to do away with the individual club reports. A Best Batters and Base-Stealers new feature will be added this year. 2.30 p. m.—Conference on Edu- however, in the joint department con-+ cation, Health, Home Economics. • ferences, These are scheduled for 2:30 p. m.—Conference on Art, + afternoons of Wednesday and Thursday of the convention week and 8 p. m - Musicale: Song reci- : they premise to be most interesting with the discussion of department problems and talks from prominent people. The schedule is as follows: * Wednesday, civics, conservatism, so-+ 1 p. m.-Luncheon by Chamber + cial service, in the main auditorium of the Court House. At the same time, 2 30 p. m.—Board of Directors' • library extension, literature in the * County Commissioners' room of the Court House. Thursday, art, music, in the Woman's Club room. Same time, education, home economics, health, in main auditorium of Court

Facing The Situation.

One of the most vitally interesting features of the Federation will be the combined conference of the Department of Civics, Conservatism and Social Service on Wednesday afternoon, for which the general topic, "Facing the Situation," has been assigned. The following program will be car ried out at that time:

Topic, "Facing the Situation"-Mrs. Lingle presiding.

Address, "The State Highway and

Greetings from representatives of

The North Carolina Forestry Asso The North Carolina Conference for

Social Service. The Young Women's Christian Association.

The North Carolina Orphans' Asso-The State Teachers' Assembly.

The Southern Association of College Women. The State School for Feeble-minded

The North Carolina Girls' Canning

Social Service Round Table. Internal reports from clubs and civic leagues.

Mrs. Pratt presiding.

· Topics: Junior Leagues, Playgrounds and Social Centers, The Town EARTHQUAKE WAS Survey, A Landscape Architect, The Clean-up and Paint-up Campaign.

Wednesday evening again at the Court House will be a continuation London, May 1.-A severe earth hostess to the convention in of the afternoon's activities but with shock was recorded this morning at suffrage league, the weather permitexclusive reference to social service, the observatory at Cardiff and the Isle ting, include a big parade this after-

> presiding. Topic-Meeting State Needs.

Address-Mr. Richard B. Walrous, secretary of the American Civic As-

Address-Dr. Clarence Poe; first president of the North Carolina Conference for Social Service.

Executive Board Meetings. tion which will be held at 8 o'clock in inister, Ekihioki, said to the cording to Harry Kelly, chairman of the reinstatement of Ben of promise to marry and later with a water bottle in the President's car the total membership Tuesday evening, will be presided over by the executive board meeting are blue and white, the emblem at 11 a. m., the executive board of pine, and the motto, "The luncheon at 1 p. m., the board of trustees' meeting at 2:30 p. m., and the

(Continued on Page Six.)

France Sends Another Huge Fighting Ship Off The Ways

STRANDED ON

BANK OF RIVER

Hit and Crushed Lighter and New Ship of the Super-Dreadnaught Type.

Bordeaux, France, May 1.-Three persons were killed here today in accident at the launching of the battleship, Languedoc. The vessel left the ways with so much speed that it stranded on the banks of the river and struck and crushed a lighter, on board which the fatalities occurred.

The Languedo probably will be re leased at high tide this evening. She is of the super-dreadnaught type, of 24,830 tons, carries twelve 13.4-inch guns, twenty-four 5.5 inch guns and six torpedo tubes.

The Languedoc is 574 feet long and cost \$13,312,000.

TO PRESENT

of the Major Leagues Made Known

Chicago, Ill., May 1.-Jacques Fournier, of the White Sox, tops the American League batters, with an average of 463, according to averages ages published here today. The other leaders are Veach, Detroit, 428; Cobb, Detroit, 420; Lapp, Philadelphia, 417, and Jacobson, Detroit, 400. Cobb, with nine, leads the base-stealers.

Heinie Groh, of Cincinnati, with 428, leads the National League batters. Luders, Philadelphia, with 425, Connolly, Boston, with 407, Whitted, Philadelphia, with 400, and Schmidt, Boston, with 396, follow. Snodgrass, of New York, and Bescher, St. Louis, with five each, lead the base-stealers. the Federal League with 500. Wester-

zill, of Brooklyn, is second with 476. **BIG RUSSIAN SHIP**

WAS TORPEDOED

London, May 1.—The Russian 2, 000-ton steamer, Svorono, bearing coal to Archangel, a Russian port on the White Sea, was torpedoed and sunk by a German submarine, believed to be the U-23, on Friday, near Blaskat Islands, on the west coast of

The Svorono's crew of twenty-four tice. men, mostly Russians, barely had time to take to the boats when the vessel sank. All were rescued by patrol boats.

VOTED DRY DESPITE **VOTERS' ACTION**

Danville, Ill., May 1.—Danville was voted dry today by the City Council, which refused to renew the licenses of the seventy-three saloons here which expired at midnight. At a re cent township election the "wets' were victorious by over 1,500 major-

FELT THIS MORNING

Social Service session, Mrs. Lingle the center of the disturbance was in cials.

CHINA REFUSES DEMANDS.

. Cheng-Hsiang:

rnment will be disappointed." * thoroughly anarchistic atmosphere.

Two People Were Killed- Had on Board German and Austrian Books For United States

At Wireless Cont and From the British and Search Was Started But Withheld Upon Captain's Promise-Reservists Taken From Aboard

New York, May 1.-The Italian cruiser, Dante Alighieri, which passed Gibraltar at midnight April 22nd. on her way from Genoa, Naples, and bridge and structural iron workers follows: Palermo for New York, was recalled the list of union workmen on strikes morning, because British officers at The strike of the iron workers forced lations, and since the larger South occupying the French coast nearest the fortress had heard the steamer idleness on several thousand others American nations regard the Monroe England, and more than one editorial had on board some German and Aus- in allied trades, bringing the number doctrine as supererogation on our writer points out that Flanders retrian books intended for use in of idle because of strikes and lock- part, it would seem good business, to mains the field of operation. spreading a German and Austrian pro- outs up to 125,000. paganda in the United States.

cases of books listed. They were deep the others will fall in line. down in the hold under hundreds of the captain's word that the books would not be taken off the steamer upon reaching New York. She was then allowed to proceed. She reached here today. Two Italian reservists were taken off at Gibraltar. The vessel was delayed for more than six hours by the recall.

FOOD MEN MUST FACE TRIAL

Eddie Lennox, of Pittsburgh, leads Charged With Conspiracy to Of Immoral Conduct Though Raise Prices at Outbreak of War

> Washington, May 1.—Thirty commission merchants and food dealers here must face trial on charges of conspiracy to raise prices at the outbreak of the war. Demurrers to their indictment were over-ruled today in the District Supreme Court.

The suits were the first of a series brought by the Department of Jus-

EQUAL SUFFRAGE

Big Celebration Taking Place In Nashville In Honor of The Cause

Nashville, Tenn., May 1.-Equal Suffrage Day in Nashville was ushered HOLDS COTTON RATES in by lowering cloud.

In honor of the ladies the day is a half holiday. The plans of the local of Wight. The indications were that noon participated in by the city offi-

Anarchists Start New Settlement.

New Brunswick, N. J., May 1.-he anarchists of New York and New Jersey opened today a 69-acre tract in Stelton to settlement by members Peking, China, May 1.—China & of their political order. The new has definitely refused some of h settlement will be governed by the + the most important demands + ideas of the anarchists, and entirely

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BIG LABOR PROBLEN

NEW GERMAN MOVES

PUZZLE THE ALLIES

MOST ACUTE IN FIFTEEN YEARS

Building Industry Halted By the Idleness of Over One Hundred Thousand Men-Peace Negotiations are on Foot.

and Situation Grows

Serious

Chicago, May 1.—Chicago today confronts the most serious labor situation in building in fifteen years. By the addition last night of 1,200 by wireless at 2 o'clock the next and lock-outs was swelled to 32,000

and her manifesto was shown to the peace negotiations, now on with them, boarding officers. There were eight are successful it is generally believed influence in the Caribbean Sea area.

tons of other cargo and to reach it, with many of the unions have been Captain Sturles explained, it would signed and outside the building trades require many hours' bard work. The the prospect is said to be for indus-officers finally consented to accept trial peace.

> Wants 10,000 Acres Set Aside. Washington, May 1.-To create a petroleum reserve for the navy, Secretary Lane today recommended to President Wilson that he set aside 10,000 acres in Natona county, Wy-

JUDGE CARTER IS **EXONERATE**

Held to Have Been Wrong As to Abernathy

Raleigh, N. C., May 1.-The legislative committee that investigated the charges brought against Judge Frank Abernethy controversy, made findings yesterday afternoon.

The report is lengthy and in detail. It absolves Judge Carter from charges reflecting on his moral character and finds no trace whatever of any corruption, but it does assert that the judge was wrong in his action in New Bern, "acting harshly and arbitrarily, unwisely exercised his judicial discretion lost his temper and used intemperate language, but at no time acted tee finds that Solicitor Abernethy is entitled to have the record made against him in the contempt case expunged. The committee does find, however, that the solicitor was wrong in not obeying the mandate of the judge to be seated.

for impeachment.

ARE PREJUDICIAL

Washington, May 1.-The Interstate Commerce Commission today held prevailing less-than-car-load rates on cotton goods from the Atlantic seaboard to Denver unduly prejudicial to Denver, by comparison with the rates on the same traffic to Salt Lake City.

Cincinnati, Ohio, May 1.-The + last Thursday.

Ranks of Men on Strike Swell JOHN H. HAMMOND

Advocates Pan-American Supreme Court Before Academy in Philadelphia.

Hammond, addressing today the American Academy of Political and take precedent in the war news to-Social Science reviewed the financial day. distress in South America resulting from the European war, suggested that a Pan-American Supreme Court be established to decide disputes relating to foreign investments and Pan-American commercial transactions, and referred, at the close of his speech, to the Monroe doctrine, as out of action.

say the least, to restrict the applica-The strike of the carpenters is said tion of the doctrine to such territory As to the rest of South America, the The customary May 1st agreements | Monroe doctrine might well be superseded by a Pan-American defensive alliance against attempts at territorial aggrantizement from abroad."

After reviewing the financial troubles occasioned in South America by the European war, due chiefly to the America's banker, and asserting that it would probably be many years before Europe would again assume its former role in this respect, Mr. Hammond said, in part:

"In order to induce our capitalists to supply working capital to Latin-American countries they must be assured of the encouragement and cooperation of our national administration and of the guarantee of the protection of their investments against discriminatory laws and confiscation, especially in time of revolutionary movements. Our citizens must be of protection that is guaranteed by situation. other governments to their nationals. * * * *

I believe a Pan-American Supreme Court should be created to deal specifically with disputes as to foreign investments and as to commercial transactions between Pan-American Carter, as the outcome of the Carter- citizens. Such a court should be comown and of Latin-American nations and should sit in neutral territory. If inspired by self-interest only it would obviously be the aim of such a tribunal to establish confidence in Latin-American investments generally and at the same time to reassure corruptly." Therefore the committhe establishment of confidence of our the trial of Mr. Barnes' \$50,000 libel capital in Latin-American invest-

try cases and endeavor to adjudicate be questioned further about the printthem before appeal through diplo- ing situation in the capital. Other wit-The committee finds no grounds ably results in friction and often, indeed, in extreme tension."

SENTENCED TO

DIE ON JUNE 11

Greensboro, N. C., May 1.-Jeff Dorsett and Edward Walker, negroes. were sentenced in the Superior Court here today to be electrocuted at Ra-January 20th, last, of John Swain, a white man. They were found guilty late yesterday.

RAE TANZER NOW SWEARS ANOTHER WAY

made by Japan. On learning of separated from the socialist colony National Baseball Commission to young millioner, who sued James W. the train came to a sudden stop. Se The opening session of the Federa
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China's decision the President's care Chinese foreign minister, Lu & the Ferrer settlement in New York, and half the Brooklyn Federal drew the suit, says Mr. Osborne was fell with a crash. Every one was the main object is to produce genuine + League player, who signed a New + not the man who courted her under shaken up, but no damage was done. ♣ "I am sorry. I believe my gov- ♣ anarchists by rearing children in a ♣ York National League contract ♣ the name of "Oliver Osborne," chang-+ ed her testimony again today and un- town at 4 o'clock this afternoon. der oath identified James W. Osborne as her admirer, "Oliver Osborne."

Battle at Two Extremes Hold Center of Stage For Interest

BRITISH AVIATORS DISCOVER BATTERY

Drop Bombs On Guns Used For Shelling Dunkirk, But Effect Remains to be Seen-Germans Either After Baltic Or Railway From Petrograd to Warsaw.

London, May 1.—Developments at the northern extremity of the two battle front-shelling of Dunkirk, in Philadelphia, May 1.-John Hays France, and the new German offensive aimed at the Baltic provinces-

British aviators have discovered and attacked the Germany battery, which, from a distance estimated by British observers, of from 16 to 28 miles. hurled great shells at the French forts, but it remains to be seen whether the bombs dropped put the guns

London newspapers see in the bom-"Genuine, not merely professed am- bardment of Dunkirk that the Germans ity, is a great asset in commercial re. still cling to their cherished idea of

Special Petrograd dispatches disagree as to the purpose of the German The vessel put back to Gibraltar to be the keynote of the situation. If as is necessary for the defense of the thrust at the extreme Russian right. Panama Canal and of our sphere of One theory connects it with a probable move of the German fleet in the Baltic, looking to invasion of the Baltic provinces. Another idea is that the advance made is aimed at Libau and Riga, the former a strong Russian naval base and the latter one of the most important ports on the Baltic, or the Germans may intend to strike at the railway running from Petrograd to Warsaw by way of Duenaburg and Vilna. Further south the Germans have failed in repeated attempts to get this line.

The latest official statements concerning the Dardanelles seem to have reassured the British public that their army is fairly well established in landing operations, but, at the same time, intimate much fighting must ensue before a firm grip is established.

More Shells on Dunkirk. Paris, May 1.-An official war office statement today says ten more shells fell on Dunkirk yesterday and there were several casualties. There assured at least of the same degree has been no change in the general

"To attain the confidence of investors in Pan-American investments, FOR NEXT WEEK

posed of the leading jurists of our Counsel for Barnes and Roosevelt Lining Up Witnesses

Syracuse, N. Y., May 1.-Counsel our Latin-American customers of fair for William Barnes and Theodore treatment in their business transac- Roosevelt were engaged today in pretions with the exporters of the United paring evidence for presentation in States. This is quite as important as Supreme Court here next week when suit is resumed.

At the opening of court Monday, "Such a court might well be one of Michael Donlan, general manager of final resort. In any event, it should the Argus Company, of Albany, will matic channels, which almost invari- nesses who will tell about printing will follow.

Attorneys for both sides said it

would be impossible to complete pre-

sentation of the testimony before

week after next. PRESIDENT GOES

TO CHRISTENING

New York, May 1 .- President Wilson spent nearly three hours here leigh June 11th for the murder, on this morning on the way to Williamstown, Mass., to attend the christening of his grandson, Francis Sayre. He was joined here by Miss Margaret Wilson. Others in the party were Dr. Cary T. Grayson and Miss Helen Wood-

row Bones. While the President's train was passing West Philadelphia early to-New York, May 1.—Rae Tanzer, the day the brake become jammed and The President will reach Williams-

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