

WEATHER FORECAST. North and South Carolina--Fair tonight. Wednesday fair. Warmer in west portion.

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AIR FIGHTING SIGN OF BIG NEW ATTACK

But So Far Both Sides Held in Check in The Western Theatre.

ITALIANS KEEP HITTING AUSTRIANS

Brazil Rapidly Passing Into the Class of a Belligerent--Political Situation in Austria-Hungary Yet in a Transformation Period.

While the only sphere of intensive military activity at present is on the Austro-Italian front, where General Cadorna is day by day pushing back the Austrians...

The report of last night emphasized that in its account of 12 German machines destroyed and ten others driven out of control...

The German infantry facing the British armies is apparently being held in check by its commanders as closely as that of its opponents...

The French made a minor thrust on their own account in the Verdun region, where the activity is becoming more marked of late on both sides.

Brazil is rapidly passing from the status of a neutral to that of an active partisan on the side of the Entente in the world war.

In Austria-Hungary the political situation is still in a transformation period. The Hungarian premier, according to a Zurich dispatch, is to be filled by Count Julius Andrássy, a pronounced liberal.

Recapitulating, the war office announces the capture of 23,681 Austrians since the beginning of the offensive on May 14, together with 36 guns, of which 13 were of the heaviest calibre.

Berlin has a most interesting sentence in its official report. There has been an increase in activity along the eastern front, it declares, adding: "Russo-Rumanian attacks are expected."

Whether the persuasions of the Minister of War Kerensky have stimulated the Russian armies to activity, that will mean an offensive of force enough to make its effect felt in the other war theatres remains to be developed. As far as the Rumanians are concerned, their armies are reported to have been re-organized after their reverses of last fall, and may now be in shape to take the aggressive again.

Rome, May 29 (Via London).--The Italians in the Piava sector yesterday drove the Austro-Hungarian forces to the east of the valley east of Globna, says the official statement issued today by the Italian war department.

THE WAR'S DEMAND ON SENIOR CLASS OF A. E. COLLEGE

Only Twenty-five of The Eighty-five Graduates at Commencement.

ALL THE OTHERS IN THE SERVICE

Remarkable Petition For Pardon--Dr. Hughes Chaplain at State Prison

(Special to The Dispatch.) Raleigh, May 29.--Commencement exercises at the State College of Agriculture and Engineering close the school year, with St. Mary's finals Tuesday also, and Raleigh takes a recess until June 12 when the summer school opens.

In the Senior class of the College of Agriculture and Engineering 25 remain of the big class of 85. Thirty of the baccalaureates have gone to Fort Oglethorpe and the other 30 are engaged in some work allied with the war. In the graduating class alone the college is sending about 60 for service and in the classes further down 30 more are enlisted. Thus it will be seen that a fine percentage of available men has been furnished by the college.

Ambassador James W. Gerard's commencement address will be missed but Ambassador Henry Morgenthau has agreed to substitute for him and will be here Tuesday morning instead of Monday night when the usual commencement address is given. The college is having an uncommonly simple commencement. Its absentees as graduates so outnumber the persons present that the final exercises are being made featureless. The first of them was Sunday night, when Rev. Dr. Edward Mack of Union Theological Seminary preached the baccalaureate sermon, the address of Mr. Morgenthau and the short speech of Governor Bickett will close a year that has been full of success so far as work and numbers go.

Two weeks from the commencement the summer school after a recess of thirteen years will reopen. It runs from June 12 to July 27 and the college dormitories, diningroom, Y. M. C. A., swimming pool and everything else, including the college dairy and the products of its farm, will be a part of the summer school heritage. The faculty that will teach this school numbers 41 and the Normal at Greensboro furnishes a great number of those who will work for the institution this (Continued on page eight.)

AMERICAN SHIP SUNK BY GERMAN SUB.

(By Associated Press.) New York, May 29.--The American schooner, Margaret B. Rouss, which left St. Andrew's bay, Florida, February 4, with cargo of pine lumber for Genoa, was sunk by a submarine April 27, near the French-Italian coast, and the crew robbed by the Germans, according to Captain Fred. L. Foot, master of the schooner, who arrived here today from France. Captain Foot said a detachment from the submarine boarded his vessel and took everything of value, including foodstuffs, navigation instruments and even the extra clothing of himself and his six men. They were set adrift in open boats and landed at Monte Carlo by a patrol boat. The schooner was sunk by bombs.

PLACES OF HONOR AT THE REUNION

General Harrison Makes The Honorary Appointments For That Occasion.

(By Associated Press.) Washington, May 29.--Any differences between Chairman Denman, of the Shipping Board, and Major-General Goethals over construction of the great merchant fleet have been entirely cleared away, it was stated yesterday, and both officials are in agreement for harmonious action which will result in the speedy building of ships to thwart the submarine campaign. Under present plans as previously announced probably 200 of the ships will be of wood and the others of steel. Secretary McAdoo announced yesterday that \$9,000,000 has just been placed to the credit of the Shipping Board, said board and General Goethals had not been held up for a second for want of money and would not be.

GERMANS EXPECT RUSSIAN ATTACK.

(By Associated Press.) Berlin, (Via London), May 29.--An attack by Russian and Rumanian troops is expected, today's official report says.

GERMAN INTRIGUES WOULD BLOCK PATH OF THE ARMY BILL

SHIP MACHINISTS GO OUT ON STRIKE

Government Traces Armed Resistance to Draft to Foreign Interferences.

SECRET SERVICE MEN ALERT FOR THOSE WHO WOULD THWART REGISTRATION UNDER THE CONSCRIPTION ACT--VIRGINIA MOUNTAINEERS IN PRISON--TEXAS PLOT WAS SUBTLE.

(By Associated Press.) Newport News, Va., May 29.--Putting their threats into effect, the union machinists employed in the plant of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock Company went on strike today. They reported for duty at the regular opening hour this morning and worked as usual until 10 o'clock, when they laid down their tools and left the yard.

Demands for higher wages, which the yard officials declined to grant without an investigation, form the contention on which the strike is based. The walkout was engineered in a most orderly manner. This afternoon it was claimed by the strike leaders that 530 men had struck, only a few apprentices and older employees having remained at their posts. The shipyard officials declined to make any statement other than that the yard would continue to operate in spite of strike.

ANOTHER MAN SHOT BY MILITARY GUARD

(By Associated Press.) New York, May 29.--H. P. Binderman, 59 years old, a canal boat captain, was shot and killed by Private Herbert Taylor, a 19-year-old infantryman, at Long Island City, today. According to the police report, Taylor, a member of Company K, of the 47th New York Infantry, fired in self-defense while on guard duty. Binderman, the police were informed, was ordered away from the property under guard, and raised an iron bar in attempt to strike Taylor. (Continued on page eight.)

HOW EXEMPTIONS ALLOWED TO MEN CLAIMING THEM

Under The Selective Draft Registration For The War Army.

MEN OVER THIRTY NOT TO REGISTER

Claims For Exemption To Be Passed On by Board After Registration Has Been Finished.

(By Associated Press.) Washington, May 29.--Men who claim exemption from army draft when they register next Tuesday, will be required later to explain fully why they believe they should not be called. Provost Marshal General Crowder announced today. Public authorities will determine the exemption of each individual on the basis of the second and more ample explanation, not on the briefly stated reason given the registrar Tuesday. All men who are married or who belong to classes which may be exempted, will not necessarily be subject to exemption. Furthermore, every man between the ages of 21 and 30, inclusive, must register, regardless of his claim to exemption, unless he is a soldier, sailor or officer actually in federal military or naval service.

Each man must state his full name, age on last birthday, street address, date and year of birth, occupation and the kind of establishment where he is employed, military experience, whether he is single or married at present; whether he has a father, mother, wife or child, brother or sister under 12 years of age dependent solely on him for support; whether he is a State or federal official; whether he is a native-born American or whether he or his father is naturalized or has taken first papers. Men past 31 should not try to register, as they will be refused and will only confuse the system.

ALL ON BOARD LOST FROM TORPEDOED LINER

(By Associated Press.) London, May 29.--A Reuter's dispatch from an unnamed port says that all hope has been abandoned of the rescue of the missing from the sunken Spanish liner C. De Elzaguirre. The victims include 12 women and five small children.

DEATH TOLL STILL MOUNTS IN STORM SWEPT ALABAMA

BRITISH HOSPITAL SHIP SUNK.

(By Associated Press.) London, May 29.--The British hospital ship, Dover Castle, has been torpedoed and sunk, it was announced officially. The British armed merchant cruiser Hilary also has been torpedoed and sunk, and a British destroyer has been sunk after a collision.

Fifty Lives Now Known to Have Been Lost and Over Two Hundred Injured.

FUNERALS ARE BEING HELD TODAY

Communication With Devastated Sections Being Gradually Restored and Appeals For Aid Being Heard--Seventeen Known Dead in Tennessee.

(By Associated Press.) Birmingham, Ala., May 29.--The death toll from Sunday night's storm continues to mount as more detailed reports come in from the various counties and as injured succumb at local hospitals and infirmaries. Fifty lives are now known to have been lost, and the wounded list is above 206, of which half a dozen or more perhaps are fatally injured. More conservative estimates today, after receipt of first hand information which came with the restoration of communication to the storm-swept territory, placed the property loss at about \$350,000. This does not include loss of time at four active coal mines of the district, which will be shut down for from one week to a fortnight at least.

Funerals are being conducted today in various parts of the district. Mrs. W. M. Herman, of Carbon Hill, and H. Z. Jolly, of Sayre, died last night at local hospitals as a result of injuries in the storm. Today's figures show:

Table with columns: Name, Dead, Injured. Includes Bradford, Village Springs, Sayre, Carbon Hill, Tuscaloosa county, New Hope, Madison Co., Majaestic, Sylacauga, Total.

Communication with the devastated sections is gradually being restored, and with it comes word of distress and suffering at several places, and appeals for aid. Reports from Carbon Hill are that about 1,000 people at that place alone are homeless and financial assistance is badly needed in addition to food and clothing. Victims of the storm living in the (Continued on Page Three.)

ROADS SUFFER A HEAVY LOSS

While Receipts Show Big Gain, Yet Comparison Shows Fall Off.

(By Associated Press.) Chicago, May 29.--Despite the fact that American railroads showed a gain of \$79,000,000 in traffic in the first quarter of 1917, they suffered a loss of \$26,000,000 in profits in comparison with the same period of a year ago, according to reports to the bureau of railway news and statistics made public today.

Railways of the United States, the report says, were forced to spend \$104,791,000 more in operating expenses and taxes to handle \$78,000,000 more traffic during the first quarter of 1917 in comparison with the same months of 1916. Net operating income remaining after taxes, in spite of the addition to gross revenues, fell \$25,801,000 under a year ago. The figures given by the bureau apply to all railroads in the United States, with a mileage of over 260,000 miles, as based on a report of the Interstate Commerce Commission for a partial mileage of 230,973 miles on the larger railroads of the country. The increased expenses are due to higher taxes, increased cost of materials and higher wages. To do \$100 in gross business the eastern railways in the first three months of this year spent in excess \$79.51, against \$70.78 a year ago; southern roads spent \$66.92 against \$65.92 in 1916 and western roads spent

BITTERLY GREEK DIPLOMAT TURNS AGAINST KAISER

THE HUNGARIAN OPPOSITION WINS

Emperor Charles Appoints Andrássy Premier, Vice Tisza, Forced Out.

(By Associated Press.) Zurich, Switzerland, May 29 Via London (British Admiralty, Per Wireless).--An official telegram from Budapest says that Emperor Charles has appointed Count Julius Andrássy premier of Hungary. There has been a vacancy in the Hungarian premiership since May 23, when Count Stephen Tisza, Austria-Hungary's "Iron Man," and leader of the pro-German party in the monarchy, resigned his post. Differences with the throne over franchise reform measures were assigned as a reason for the resignation. Count Tisza's proposals were understood to be narrow in scope than those which the monarch favored. Count Andrássy, a former premier and long one of the most prominent leaders of the opposition to Count Tisza's ministry, is recognized as a liberal of the advanced type. With Count Apponyi and other opposition leaders he participated in an agreement early in the war not to antagonize the government's foreign policies, but last August the truce was broken and the opposition has since been an active force in Hungarian politics, with differences regarding domestic policies accentuated.

First Secretary of Legation in Washington Quits His Job and Tells Why.

LEAVES SIDE OF KING FOR VENIZELOS

Duty of Every Humane and Honest Man to Arraign Himself on Side of America, He Declares--King Constantine Allied With "Barbarity and Infamy."

(By Associated Press.) Washington, May 29.--S. X. Constantinid, first secretary of the Greek legation here today, presented his papers of resignation to the State Department and announced his allegiance to the forces of Venizelos. His action, because of his long connection with the Greek foreign office, gave the diplomatic corps a shock. He declared he had been discontented with being connected with King Constantine's government ever since the United States declared war. "As I see it," he said, "it is the duty of every humane and honest man to arraign himself on the side of America and the Entente. The whole terrible situation has narrowed down to a simple question of humanity and civilization against German barbarity and bestiality of a type almost beyond human belief. When a nation of people calling themselves civilized human beings begin to sink hospital levee they are connected. The Texas case, in which the German influence is clearly established, and the arrest (Continued on page eight.)