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WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA, MONDAY AFTERNOON, JULY 23, 1917.

1 blocks this afternoon called out 4

& fire apparatus and ambulances.

PRICE FIVE CENTS

ARE INCREASING

MAY OF THIS YEAR

After Slump of Five Months

Revenues Take Bound

Upward

port Showing Increase In

Revenues — South-

ern Roads

(By Associated Press.)

public today show an increase in pet

trals Will Cut Off Ger-

many's Supply

(By Associated Press.)

London, July 23.-That high Ger-

swer or give any idea from where

these supplies were to come.

FIGURES COVER

"Unlimited Powers Given" War Minister Kerensky to Meet Emergency

DIFFICULT TASK LOOMING AHEAD

Mandate of Powerful Factions Is to Restore Order—Both Western and Eastern Fronts Claiming Attention -Germans Attacking Both Lines

"Unlimited powers" have been ranted the Russian provisional overnment, under Premier Korensky, grapple with the sinister forces hreatening to wreck the new Russia, Commission Makes Public Reorn of the March revolution.

The grant comes from the most powerful representative body in the Workmen's Delegates, and peasants of all Russia, assembled in Petrograd. | Washington, July 23.—After five

The title of the ruling body, the months of decreased earnings, com-Government of National Safety," re. pared with a year ago, returns from members of the State Council. calls immediately the famous commit-, all of the railroads to the Interstate ee of public safety of 1793, formed Commerce Commission for May made the crucial period of the French revolution. With Kerensky serving, not only as premier, but as ministeri revenue of approximately \$3,455,000 of war and marine, it is apparent that and an increase of \$1,100,000 in railvast powers are thus lodged in the way operating income over May, 1916. hand, of this one man, suggesting those of a virtual dictator.

to restore order, both at the front \$145,000,000. Expenses increased apgime. It is evidently one, however, erating income was \$92,079,548, after with which Kerensky, concededly the taxes and uncollectable revenues have will greatly help it. strongest man to be found for the been deducted. An increase of ap-The war situation for the moment tax bill is recorded. demands consideration chiefly at the

little sign as yet of a change in the come for Eastern roads was \$37,173,troops sufficient to bring about an ef. May, 1916.

On the western front there is a dif- 272,494, compared with \$13,359,345 a onslaught of the crown prince's forces penses increased in each case approxare being met with gallant resistance imately \$7,000,000. by General Petain's troops and such' The biggest gain was shown by

Last night the German assaults proximately \$1,000,000 more in taxes of which colosal efforts are being put with \$34,911,046 in May, 1916, an inforth. Some headway was made on crease of approximately \$6,720,000. both these elevations, but General Petain's men are clinging bravely them both, although driven out of first line trenches. The Germans atacked the support trench on the California plateau, but it was retained by the French in its entirety.

Today's official reports from the Galician front are little if any more! encouraging than those of the last few, days. While efforts are being made to restore order among the Russian Cutting Off Exports to Neuforces the Austro-German offensive between the Stripa and the Zlota Lipa is being pressed and additional villages have been occupied by the Teu-

Toward the northen end of the Russian from the situation is different. The Russians have taken the offensive and opened up a gap two miles deep in an important sector of the German has been sending to neutrals became line near Krevo and Vilna, incident-known, according to the Daily Mail, his appear to have been workupon by the extremists and are in the Reichstag, made before a sefighting so indifferently as to jeopard-cret session of that body.

day's War Office report on the to the extent to which Germany was themselves and their friends. Franco-Belgian front operations. "Our dependent on the neutrals for food

tions during the night south of Havhis dugouts bombed.

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Pou's Idea of Politics In General

SOLDIERS WILL CONTROL COUNTRY

Colonel Cox Has Not Yet Quit the Bench - Would Exempt Soldiers From Poll Tax

(Special to The Dispatch.) Raleigh, July 23.-Poll tax exemption of all North Carolina soldiers is expected to come from the resolution of the Wake county bar, which has' ng bodies of the county.

work of the State branch of the National Council for Defense, which has headquarters here. At a meeting Saturday of the local bar resoluand further resolution presented in saults on strongly fortified German forbidding manufacture of distilled which the local attorneys agree to dugouts along the Avion-Herincourt liquors but allowing the manufacture ing to escape the conscription service.

The small attendance of the bar at home ought to be willing to protect the property of men at the front. The Wake division is taking its cue shells. from Dr. D. H. Hill and James R. Pou,

All the signs point to Colonel Albert Cox's complete regiment when the men are called into service on the men are called into service on Wednesday, Colonel Cox gathered Bickett spoke.

Operating revenues totalled \$345,-Colonel Cox took the regiment with The mandate of this committee is 773,079, an increase of approximately just, a start made and in a few days he has made a great showing. The Provost General Makes Ruling government has indicated its willingand at home—admittedly a difficult proximately \$41,500,000, reaching ness to finish the regiment, when task in the face of the powerful influ-\$238,682,879, leaving net revenue from Colonel Cox has \$73. Little fear of tion working against the present re railway operatings of \$107,090,200. Op. falling down has been found here and the interest shown in the division since the draft terms were announced

the exemption boards do their work Eastern roads as a group show a it looked very doubtful. Many are decrease in net revenue compared now drawn for the service and they concentrated their main military ef- with May, 1916. Their operating rev- will have some option in the service sian from in Eastern Galicia and the however, increased approximately \$20,- the bench did much to persuade young section of the French front near 500,000, leaving net revenues from op- men, some of whom are not required erating approximately \$4,500,000 less by the draft to serve, and his regi In the former war theatre there is than in May, 1916. Net operating in- ment will have many such soldiers.

temper of the disaffected Russian 794, as compared with \$42,661,404 in ed his supply company to full McCain as follows: strength and he can give the governfective resistance to the Teutonic pro- Southern railroads maintained about ment something new on advertising. ber but for the advertisements put in physical examination he ceases to be ferent story to tell. The desperate year ago. Operating revenues and ex- the State papers. He found it neces- eligible for voluntarily enlistment." sary to turn back some boys who The ruling of General Crowder was DUTCH MISSION came to go into his company.

likes the job and he started off so service as a volunteer. well that he regrets the abbreviated career. The bars in the several towns where he has held court have been kind to him. The Supreme Court has been good to his rulings and left all as he made them. Judge Cox tried the Riley-Stone case the last time it was up. He got it back on a reversal from its first non-suit. Another appeal is pending.

But Colonel Cox's friends do not litical career will mean an end France Getting Ready for Amthink a sudden abbreviation of a po-They are sure that if the young command had based its calculations on food supplies which America colonel gets back from France the people on this side will remember

James H. Pou, who has done so ally capturing more than 1,000 Ger- through the famous speech of Herr much war speaking, has been hinting

country.

Rull. The night south of Havener and in the neighborhood of many. Consequently, Herr Erzberger company and go to France. No use also take part in squadron fighting and in the neighborhood of many. Bullecourt and Hollebeke. Additional said, Germany would very shortly lose to talk about tariff, nigger, anything and day and night bombardments.

(Continued on Page Eight.)

(By Associated Press). New York, July 24.-An explo- * sion on a steamship pier at the. * A foot of West Twenty-Third street 4 4 and the blowing up of manholes 4 along the water front for five &

And That's the Hon. Jim * * * * * * * * * * President Said to Favor The House Measure on the Food Control

CANADIANS IN MAY TAKE HAND DARING ATTACK

Make Dashing Raid on German Trenches and Take Positions and Prisoners

ly 23-The Canadians carried out a and House conferees on the Food bill placed this issue before the govern daring and highly successful raid ear to accept the House provision for a ly this morning on German trenches single food administrator instead of the board of three, as voted by the And this is but a portion of the southeast of Avion. After heavy ar Senate. The President may take a tillery preparation the raiding party hand in some of the other conflicting forced its way to the second line of sections. German defenses, along a front of 700

> casualties were light. This section of the German line is the Germans turned a heavy artillery fire upon them, employing larger gas

quite a number of recruits at Sanford Saturday when he and Governor Bickett spoke.

and Regular Anny

Washington, July 23.—Registrants Charlotte provides camp facilities even replying by threats and shots. lined and a division on the minimum under the selective draft law are not for 50,000 guardsmen and regular Some elements voluntarily evacuate wage of \$6.25 a week it is proposed to Until the War Department ruled on the regular army or the National & ramp for 26,000 guardsmen alone, & approach of the enemy. task, is willing to grapple with all his proximately \$2,700,000 in the railways the right to enlist any time before Guard after their names have been 4 as originally stipulated, the camp 4 "Cases are on record in which any time before Guard after their names have been 4 as originally stipulated, the camp 4 "Cases are on record in which any time before Guard after their names have been 4 as originally stipulated, the camp 4 "Cases are on record in which any time before Guard after their names have been 4 as originally stipulated, the camp 4 "Cases are on record in which any time before Guard after their names have been 4 as originally stipulated, the camp 4 "Cases are on record in which any time before Guard after their names have been 4 as originally stipulated, the camp 4 "Cases are on record in which any time before Guard after their names have been 4 as originally stipulated, the camp 4 "Cases are on record in which any time before Guard after their names have been 4 as originally stipulated, the camp 4 "Cases are on record with all has to be a standard or the camp 4 as originally stipulated, the camp 5 as originally stipulated, the camp posted by local exemption boards as + will be removed to another city. + order given to proceed with all haste danger will be averted. summoned for examination.

marshal general, promulgated this rul. . bourne of General Wood's staff, * for several hours at meetings, and reconcentrated their main military efforts—the yielding portion of the Rusenue increased \$16,000,000. Expenses done. Colonel Cox's retirement from ing today to make definite the status who will await the arrival of Colinforcements consequently have been of men on the registration lists who so onel Edward R. Ladue tomorrow so delayed several hours. now may desire to join the regulars - morning before final decision is - "The troops abandon their positions or the National Guard. The ruling is reached. In the meantime Char- at the first shots of the enemy. For supplementary to examinations sent to 4 lotte business men claim that 4 a distance of several hundred varsts Cantain Arthur Fletcher has recruitrecruiting officers by Adjutant General & they will procure a tract of big supply company to full recruiting officers by Adjutant General & they will procure a tract of big supply company to full recruiting officers by Adjutant General & they will procure a tract of big supply company to full recruiting officers by Adjutant General & they will procure a tract of big supply company to full recruiting officers by Adjutant General & they will procure a tract of big supply company to full recruiting officers by Adjutant General & they will procure a tract of big supply company to full recruiting officers by Adjutant General & they will procure a tract of big supply company to full recruiting officers by Adjutant General & they will procure a tract of big supply company to full recruiting officers by Adjutant General & they will procure a tract of big supply company to full recruiting officers by Adjutant General & they will procure a tract of big supply company to full recruiting officers by Adjutant General & they will procure a tract of big supply company to full recruiting officers by Adjutant General & they will procure a tract of big supply company to full recruiting officers by Adjutant General & they will be adjutant G

gress which threatens disaster to the the same average of net earnings, as Captain Fletcher does not believe he called for military service by his lolast year the total for May being \$13, could have reached the required num- cal board and directed to appear for

necessary in order to establish defi-Colonel Cox has not resigned as nitely the time when a registered man small lots of territory as have been Western roads whose revenues jump- judge of the Superior Court- and was to be considered as falling within gained by the Germans have been ed \$22,000,000 to \$139,169,370, while Judge Thomas H. Calvert, his succes- this prohibition. General Crowder expenses showed an increase of ap- sor, has not been commissioned. It held that posting of the name of a is fully expected that Judge Cox will registrant by the local board at its were renewed on the California and than last year, leaving net operating do so, however, no matter whether headquarters constituted notification Cassemates plateaux, for the mastery income at \$41,633,260, as compared his regiment is raised or not. The to the registrant that he was called terests in connection with American & of Tarnopol in Eastern Galicia is & colonel has not said anything about it, for examination and thus set the pebut he date of his resignation is ricd when he would be no longer eli- Vanselbe; Honvenvanoodt, ex-vice * looked for this week. In all proba-gible for voluntary service. Prior to president East Indian Council, and * * * * * bility he will retire the first of Au- that time, even though his name may Van Vollenhoven, director of the be among those who will be called in Netherlands Bank. Colonel Cox leaves the bench with the first quota in any district, a regisgreat reluctance. He admits that he trant may be accepted for the regular

erican Airmen-Part They Will Play

(By Associated Press.)

Paris, July 23.-Plans have been mans, there, too, however, certain detachments appears to have been work.

Erzberger, head of the Catholic party mightily about future politics in this aviation forces here under a single aviation forces here under a single pants of a motor car dressed as sail-ping board and Counselor Polk, of the Pou comes right out and says that direction, working in conjunction ors and soldiers shot at a group of State Depaartment, designated by the soldiers of this war will rule the with other military units. Aeropane officers and soldiers on the steps of President Wilson to represent the ize the development of the Russian. The newspapers referred to this address as a bomb shell." Herr I z- quished Confederacy did, the victori-

red their backs on the capital at aviators and bombarding enemy estabtroops teached their objectives with and other supplies. He said that Raleigh, Mr. Pou is saying. "They are lishments. The strategy squadrons in Raleigh, Mr. Pou is saying. They are general will operate independently. prisoners of whom 51 have already America had decreed that she would running away from Raleigh. The general will operate independently. not permit exports to neutrals as long next governorship will be determined. They will be engaged in destroying not permit exports to neutrals as long in France or Germany. Let the man enemy defenses and attacking supply as these neutrals exported to Gerwho aspired to be Governor raise a bases, depots and factories. They will AIRSHIP BILL AT THE WHITE 4 who aspired to be Governor raise a bases, depots and factories. They will AIRSHIP BILL AT THE WHITE 4 who aspired to be Governor raise a bases, depots and factories.

pulsed southeast of Loos and in the body in authority could find an ancresents it. Judge Cox is also in cept Major-General Pershing and wident Wilson's signature. news dispatches.

(By Associated Press). the military authorities had entirely congress. It is ordered that hereafter the \$\$640,000,000 aviation bill went to \$ many and Austria according to a Roy of their insubordination of any figured on these samplies and that no many Rd that number of the enemy were killed and fact, he said, had to be faced that Well, the Cox is in the fourth largely as an adjunct to the artillery. "Hostile raiding parties were re- figured on these supplies and that no man E4 Pou, brother of James, repmiled southeast of parties were re- figured on these supplies and that no man E4 Pou, brother of James, repmiled southeast of parties were re- figured on these supplies and that no man E4 Pou, brother of James, repmiled southeast of parties were re- figured on these supplies and that noman E4 Pou, brother of James, repmiled southeast of parties were re- figured on these supplies and that noman E4 Pou, brother of James, repman E4 Pou, brother of James, r have been selzed.

IN THE FIGHT

Reported He Will Bring His Personal Influence to Bear Upon Senate Members Demoralization Is Rampant in This Week

All the Russian

STERN MEASURES

Armies

try Know the Truth and

Then Act Without Mer-

cy Towards Enemies

(By Associated Press.)

Russia and the revolution."

TARNOPOL:

(By Asociated Press.)

London, July 23.-The occupa- *

tion Reach Agreement On

Ship Regulations

American and British governments.

SIAM JOINS WAR

AGAINST GERMANY

(By Associated Press.)

Negotiations are now proceeding be-

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(By Associated Press.)
Washington, July 25.—President (By Associated Press.) Wilson probably will bring his per-British Headquarters, in France, Ju- sonal influence to bear on Senate

President Wilson is understood to tions were offered for this purpose ards, where it made determined as prefer the Senate prohibition section make no appearance for men seek- railway. According to latest reports of beer and wine. The House put chaotic changes prevailing on part of ported their admission that they had most of these positions were rendered in a "bone-dry" section. The Presi-ithe Russian front are disclosed in a been under fire. such an amendment to the bill.

left the question of non-appearance one of the most dangerous to fight, day they would fight some of the army, on the southwestern front. The diers of whom they are now allies." open, as the bar did not wish to over, for behind the first line trenches Senate liquor amendments to the telegram announced the inauguration pass a resolution of such character are numerous brickyards through Food bill uncompromisingly regard of stern measures to combat disaffec ly impressed with the American without notice to everybody. But the which it is necessary for assaulting less of appeals for speedy agreement. tion. State Council for Defense is seeking troops to force their way. When the Dry leaders look to making the bill "We unanimously recognize that "They see in it something more than to advance this idea generally. It be-lieves that every patriotic lawyer left the Germans turned a heavy artillery House-bone dry for the duration of ures and efforts, for everything must pression is that the way they can

impossible for them to restore abso- commander-in-chief on the western ing hand-grenades in close trench lute prohibition of manufacture of front and the commander of the sec- warfare." beer and wine, but they hope at least ond army today have given orders to to get in a section giving the Presi- fire on deserters and runaways. dent power to limit or prohibit their "Let the country know the truth. production. Mr. Smoot's redistillation Let it act without mercy. Let it find amendment also will be subjected to enough courage to strike those who attack because it would not affect by their cowardice are destroying liquor out of bond.

(By Associated Press).

This announcement was authoriz. It to such and such a spot to assist com-Brigadier General Crowder, provost & ed this afternoon by Major Kil- rades in distress has been discussed FRENCH CROSS OF

TO COME AMERICA

(By Associated Press.) Amsterdam, June 23.—The Minister of Agriculture and Commerce has appointed a commission of three to proceed to America togepresent Dutch inexports. The members are: Engine * reported by Reuters Limited.

OUT EXTRA FEES AGREE ON RULES ORDERED TO CUT

(By Associated Press.) Washington, July 23.-All customs collectors were ordered today to discontinue charging extra fees for clearing vessels Sundays, holidays and at night, which recently has been on the increase at certain seaports, the pracnight, which recently has been on the United States and Allied Natice it was said, apparently originating from misconception of the law of 1913, amending in certain respects practices and fees.

SHOT AT SOLDIERS AND WERE LYNCHED

Petrograd, July 23.—Three occu-tween Chairman Denman, of the ship-(By Associated Press.) quisned confederacy did, the victorious Unionists did. Certainly, Mr. The former will operate within a the revolvers of the assailants. The the regulation effective and bring the range of 25 kilometres and the latter quard of 150 soldiers rushed from the down present prohibitive rate. last night south of Avion," says to days War Office report on the south of Avion, and the south of Avion, are south of Avion, and the south of Avion, and the south of Avion, are south of Avion, and the south of Avion, and

AM RICAN ARMY OF FICERS BACK FI. OM WAR FRONT

Members of Special Commission to Europe Have Returned EVIDENTLY HAD BEEN UNDER FIRE

Confirm Report of Enthusiastic Welcome Given American Soldiers - Bring Back Grim Souvenirs From the

An Atlantic Port, July 23.—Eleven American army officers, members of a special commission sent to France, TO MEET SITUATION, as investigators of army conditions, England and Belgium early in June,

The officers declined to say just what their work was, but it was learned they visited all the commands on the western front, and shrapnel-scarred steel helmets, which Petrograd, Sunday, July 22.—The they brought back as souvenirs, sup-

They also agree to attend to the untenable. Final details are not yet dent has heretofore opposed a con- telegram sent to Premier Kerensky, They confirmed cable reports of the business of soldiers during their ab. available, although at least sixty pris- gressional committee to investigate the provisional government and the enthusiasm with which the American sence and to make no charge for this oners, including an officer were the conduct of the war and there is council of workmen and soldiers' dele- soldiers were received by the French brought back by the Canadians whose no reason to believe he will favor egates by the executive committee people and as one officer expressed and the commissioner of the provis- it: "We are mighty proud of the way House prohibitionists declared to- ional government with the second our boys sized up alongside the sol-

game of baseball," the officer said. be risked to save the revolution from throw the baseball will make them The House drys concede it may be catastrophe," the message reads. "The great fighters when it comes to hurl-

IMPORTANCE OF THE CORN DEBATE

(By Associated Press.) London, July 23.-The importance that the government attaches to the Referring to the threatened disasdebate on the Corn Production bill. which proposes to pay fixed prices to as to Status of Registrants CHARLOTTE MAY LOSE THE to of complete disorganization. Their farmers for cereal group for a number "Most military units are in a state spirit for the offensive has utterly ber of years after the war, is shown disappeared. They no longer listen to in a statement by the government orders of their leaders and they neg whip wherein the request of sup Charlotte, July 23,-Unless + lect all exhortations, of comrades, porters to attend is trebly eligible for voluntary enlistment in army regiments instead of a positions without even waiting for the pay farm laborers is declared vital Supporters and opponents of the measure both profess to believe that

WAR FOR AMERICANS

(By Associated Press.) War has been conferred upon Basil K. I land necessary twice the size of the armed, men in good health and ro-R. McMurray, of Madison, Wis., both "After a registered person has been that already leased, for the camp bust, who have lost all shame and of the American field service. The feel they can act altogether with im- awards were for the courage and depunity, are proceeding to the rear votion of the men in removing wound-Frequently entire units desert in this ed while under fire.

WOULD ELIMINATE ALL WAR GRAFT

(By Associated Press.) Washington, July 23 .- To permit prosecution of war contract graft, if any be discovered, Representative Clark, of Florida, today introduced a * tion by the Germans of the city * bill to suspend the operation of the statute of limitations until 3 years af ter peace is declared.

PROTEST AGAINST WOMEN PICKETS

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, July 23.—The National Association Opposed to Woman Suffrage today made public a letter from Mrs. Jas. W. Wadsworth, its president, to President Wilson, protesting against the picketing of the White House by suffragists of the Woman's Party, and declaring that the 16 pickets were justly sentenced to 60 days in the workhouse.

Eight suffragists of the woman's party took up their posts besides the gates of the White House again to Washington, July 23.—Regulation of day. They carried banners with quoocean steamship rates between the tations from some of President Wil-United States and allied nations has son's speeches to Congress but attractbeen agreed upon in principle by the ed little attention, and one special

REVOLT IN PETROGRAD SUPPRESSED.

(By Associated Press). The tactical units will operate discussion the friends.

"The candidates for Governor have need their backs on the capital at taleigh, Mr. Pou is saying. "They are unning away from Raleigh. The strategy squadrons in general will operate independently."

The tactical units will operate discussion to escape, but who attempted to escape troops.

Isolated cases of shooting from windows have occurred, but or-+ der is being energetically restor-+ ed and all suspects arrested, it is London, July 23.—Siam has declared + added, while drastic measures are