

WEATHER FORECAST

North Carolina—Probably rain and warmer tonight; Friday fair in west, rain in east portion. South Carolina—Unsettled, probably local rains tonight and Friday.

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BAD MUTINY BREAKS OUT AMONG HUNS

Serious Trouble Reported in Both Austrian and German Fleets

SERIOUS DISORDERS IN TUNICIAN NAVIES

Austrians Rebel Against Germans and Fighting Follows—Germans Mutiny Rather Than Go Aboard Submarines

Amsterdam, Oct. 18.—A mutiny among German sailors at the Belgian port of Ostend who refused to go on board submarines, is reported by the Belgian Dispatch. The newspaper says an officer was thrown into the sea and 30 numbers were removed in handcuffs to the gages.

Washington, Oct. 18.—Official diplomatic dispatches received here today report mutinies in the Austrian navy and clashes between Austrian sailors and crews of the German submarine fleet based at Pola, in which officers on both sides have been killed and which resulted in a decision to change the base of the German flotilla.

Despite the attempts of the Austrian admiralty to suppress the news, it reached here today, coming by way of Berne. The Austrian crews are said to have revolted under ill treatment of officers and bad food, while that of the German submarine crews was caused by overbearing conduct of the latter.

The dispatches say the tension between the Austrian and German crews became so alarming that extraordinary measures were taken to prevent a recurrence of the fighting between them, which included the decision to move the German submarine flotilla from the Austrian base at Pola to another point further south on the Adriatic. The fighting between the two sets of crews is described as having been sanguinary.

This news of mutiny in the Austrian navy, reported in the capital today almost at the same time as the Amsterdam dispatches reporting further mutinies in the German navy—this time among submarine crews—created a potent impression among American naval officers and among other officials who have been watching the situation with expectation since the first mutinies in the German fleet were reported a few days ago.

The first signs of mutiny in the German fleet were regarded as most significant since, unlike the army, it has endured trials of the hardships of campaigning. Dispatches from all quarters confirm the opinion of American officials that it probably was the "part" at least, to the drafting of a plan for submarine crews, a service which has come to hold terrors for the German seamen because of the inevitable British policy of never making any announcement whatever of the fate of captured or lost crews of the German submarines.

This suspense as to the fate of comrades who go out never to be heard of again was expected to undermine the morale of the navy.

Clashes between German and Austrian crews are regarded in naval circles here as of much significance, particularly when considered in the light of the extreme situation of Austria, whose fighting forces are at the point of exhaustion.

Leaders on the Stage. The duties of the National Special Aid Society will be represented on the program tomorrow night when George T. W. Hickett speaks here. The following have been designated to appear on the stage: Miss Jenni D. Ward, chairman; Mrs. Bee J. Jacobson, assistant; Mrs. J. Wallace W. G. Hatch.

SUPERIOR GERMAN FLEET OVERCOMES RUSSIANS' DEFENSE

Teutons Overwhelm Russians for Possession of Gulf of Riga

FRENCH AND GERMAN TROOPS MORE ACTIVE

Infantry Fighting on French Front Report—Thirty-Six German Machines Have Been Shot Down.

Russian and German battleships had an engagement yesterday in the Gulf of Riga, the clash occurring during the pressing of the German operation aimed at acquiring complete control of the gulf, which the Germans began recently by seizing Oesel Island off the entrance.

The Russians seem to have put up a spirited fight against heavy odds and finally to have retired into the protected waters of Moon sound, just north of the gulf, after losing the battleship Slava, an old type vessel of 13,000 tons, which, like the other Russian warships, was vastly outgunned and out-gunned by the new German dreadnaughts. Nearly all the Slava's crew were saved. She had a complement of 825 men.

The Germans, the Russian account indicates, pushed their way into the gulf after having gained control of the principal channel and threw forward their lighter units. These were detected by the Russian patrols and driven on back by the Russian main fleet, which included apparently only two old type battleships with a fairly modern armored cruiser, the Bayan.

The German dreadnaughts were soon encountered by the Russians, however, and by virtue of their long range, they were able to stand off beyond reach of the Russian guns and pour a destructive fire into the Russian vessels, sinking the Slava and compelling the others to retreat.

The Germans made an attempt early in the war to seize the Gulf of Riga, meeting defeat in a naval engagement there in August, 1915. The Russians reported the German losses as one dreadnaught, two cruisers and eight torpedo boats sunk, the dreadnaught being torpedoed by a British submarine then in Baltic waters. Berlin admitted the loss of only one small German warship and the damaging of two others, while Russian losses were declared by Berlin to be two gunboats and a torpedo boat.

Berlin's report today on yesterday's naval engagement claims the trapping of the Russian naval forces in the Gulf of Riga, declaring that German naval units are in a position to command the route out, north of Oesel Island, thus barring the Russian passage westward. The statement announces the capture of 10,000 prisoners and 30 guns on Oesel Island.

There has been more trouble among sailors of the German fleet, according to a report from Amsterdam. This tells of a mutiny at Ostend where sailors who refused to go aboard submarines, threw one of their officers into the sea. Later 30 of the mutineers were taken in irons to Bruers.

Field Marshal Haig is still keeping his infantry in their trenches on the Flanders front while the heavy bombardment of the German lines continues. His report today throws little light on the probability of an early resumption of the British attack, mentioning merely the points on the front where the German reciprocal fire was smartest and reporting a successful raid on the Arras battle front near Gavrelle.

There has been infantry fighting on the French front although apparently not on a large scale. The Germans attacked northeast of Verdun near Bezevaux but met with a repulse. The artillery battle is still spirited in much of the Verdun area and on the Aisne front along the Chemin-Des-Dames.

Air fighting between French and German machines has been unusually (Continued on Page Eight)

CHICAGO FACING A FULL FAMINE

Many Homes Without Coal and Prospects Are for Snow Tomorrow

(By Associated Press.) Chicago, Oct. 18.—Many Chicago homes and business houses were out of coal today and unable to get any and with a coal famine in prospect, the weather man predicted a cold wave for tonight, with prospects of snow tomorrow. The office of John E. Williams, fuel administrator of Illinois, was flooded with complaints from consumers whose demands for coal had been turned down by the dealers. The latter have supplies sufficient for from two to five days, and practically no coal is arriving from the mines, owing to the widespread strike.

Fred W. Upham, head of the largest distributing company in Chicago, said he saw no reason to alter his prediction that within a few days business in Chicago will be paralyzed by the lack of fuel. Even the gas company, which ordinarily maintains large supplies, has only a few days supply on hand.

Garfield Waits. Washington, Oct. 18.—The Fuel Administration was waiting to hear the result of its warning yesterday to coal operators and miners that interference with the nation's production at this time would not be tolerated. Although Administrator Garfield did not detail the steps to be taken to terminate the industrial unrest, it is generally known that Congress has empowered the President to take over and operate the mines if he considers it necessary.

TRINITY COLLEGE PROFESSOR DEAD

(By Associated Press.) Durham, N. C., Oct. 18.—Prof. Wm. F. Gill, head of the department of Latin at Trinity College, who was taken ill on Tuesday, died this morning at a local hospital. He was 43 years old and a native of Henderson, N. C., where burial will take place tomorrow.

Professor Gill had been a member of the Trinity faculty since 1898.

His Thirteenth Victory.

(By Associated Press.) Paris, Oct. 18.—Lieut. Raoul Lobery, of Wallingford, Conn., member of the Franco-American flying corps, who has scored many victories and recently was cited in French army orders as an "incomparable pilot," is said by The Herald to have brought down his thirteenth enemy machine.

RUSSIANS TRAPPED IN GULF OF RIGA BY THE GERMANS

The Attacking Naval Forces were Far Superior to Those Defending

BATTLESHIP SLAVA LOST BY RUSSIANS

Old Type Warship Sent to the Bottom by Germans—Ten Thousand Prisoners and 50 Guns Captured

(By Associated Press.) Berlin, Oct. 18 (via London).—The Germans have taken 10,000 prisoners and 50 guns on Oesel Island, the war office reports. The Russian naval forces in the Gulf of Riga have been trapped by the Germans, according to the announcement. It says German naval units are lying in the eastern portion of Oesel, and are barring the passage westward, north of Oesel Island, and are barring the passage westward.

Petrograd, Oct. 18.—A naval battle has occurred in the Gulf of Riga between Russian and German battleships, the war office announces. The Russian battleship Slava was sunk. The Slava sank as the result of being hit several times beneath the water line. Nearly all the members of the crew were saved by Russian torpedo boats.

The announcement follows: "After depriving us of control of the channel, the enemy at night penetrated the Gulf of Riga where at dawn yesterday his naval forces were discovered by our patrol detachment, which was pressed back to Moon sound by enemy cruisers and torpedo boats. Our ships of the line Grayhdanin and Slava and the cruiser Bayan went out to meet the enemy in the Gulf of Riga and drove back his vanguard by their fire. They encountered the principal enemy fighting unit and engaged them. Among the latter were two dreadnaughts of the Grosser Kurfaerst type (25,000 tons).

"During the battle the enemy adopted the tactics of firing at distances beyond the range of our guns, his artillery range being much superior to that of our old ships of the line. In spite of the clearly manifested superiority of the enemy, our ships defended the entrance for a considerable time and only severe damage caused by the fire of his dreadnaughts forced us to retire into the waters of the Moon sound. As a result of seven days' fighting, the enemy has captured 10,000 prisoners and 50 guns.

"The conference, by a vote of 284 to 26, rejected a motion binding the party to vote against war credits in the Reichstag. A resolution was submitted signed by 118 delegates demanding the restoration of Belgium and protesting against division of Alsace-Lorraine.

DOUBLE IMPORT DUTY ABROGATED

(By Associated Press.) Mexico City, Oct. 18.—The double import duty on parcels post between the United States and Mexico which has been in effect since June 23, was abrogated by a decree issued today. The protection of the oil industry, a decree was issued providing for a special 10 per cent. stamp tax based upon bi-monthly New York quotations.

FRANCHISE REFORM MEASURE POSTPONED

(By Associated Press.) Copenhagen Oct. 18.—The Prussian Diet re-assembled yesterday to be met by the news that the franchise reform bill which the Emperor ordered submitted in time so that new elections could be held under the new system, probably would not be ready before December. At best only the formal first reading is expected before Christmas, and there is little chance that the debates can be concluded before the terms of the present members of the Diet expire.

STRIKE OF A.C.L. CLERKS SPREADS

Reported That Rocky Mount Clerks Have Joined and Others to Follow

Richmond, Va., Oct. 18.—Local clerks of the Atlantic Coast Line railroad who went on a strike here this week, said today that they were hopeful of winning their demands as a result of sympathetic action being taken at other points along the line. Clerks in Rocky Mount, N. C., are reported to have walked out today and those at other points may quit work unless the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks is recognized by the railroad, and the demands of the men for the reinstatement of a dismissed employee are met.

New York Still Progressing. New York, Oct. 18.—Overnight mail and forenoon subscriptions pushed New York's Liberty loan total up only \$10,000,000, the figure at 11 o'clock today being \$470,000,000. Half of this ten million came from the Dupont De Nemours Company.

HALF OF MINIMUM QUOTA OF LIBERTY LOAN SUBSCRIBED

SOCIALISTS TRY TO GET TOGETHER

Discussion of Peace Terms Brings Out Widely Dissimilar Views

(By Associated Press.) Copenhagen, Oct. 18.—The proceedings of the convention of German Socialists at Wurzburg, reveals slight prospects that the two branches of the party will be united. Professions of desire to establish party unity are profuse, but almost always are accompanied by scolding of the opposite side, and are based on the assumption that reconciliation would be possible only by the submission of one wing to the dictates of the other.

At yesterday's session Hermann Mueller of the executive committee said Alsace-Lorraine under no circumstances could be made a subject of discussion in the peace negotiations, and that these provinces could be wrested only from a completely defeated Germany.

Dr. Eduard David, Reichstag member, declared the war could not be ended by submarines. Germany had not been spared a fourth war winter through the operation of the Liberator, he said, and would not be able to force peace upon England in a few months, as the Pan-Germans claimed, or even in one or two years.

Binding Motion Rejected.

Amsterdam, Oct. 18.—Speaking of the Russian provinces of Courland and Livonia, Philipp Scheidemann, the Socialist leader, said at the Wurzburg conference: "Union of these territories with Germany, which has been demanded repeatedly, cannot be contemplated."

Herr Scheidemann said provisional regulation of the affairs of the provinces had been effected in accordance with the resolution of the Reichstag main committee which declared against annexations. Although Riga had German characteristics, he added, the Germans formed only a small portion of the population.

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NEW ENGLAND COMING ALONG

(By Associated Press.) Boston, Mass., Oct. 18.—New England subscriptions to the second Liberty loan reached a grand total of \$115,385,000 today.

FORMER OFFICIALS TO BE PROSECUTED

(By Associated Press.) Athens, Monday, Oct. 15.—The prosecution before the high court of the members of the cabinet of former Premier Skoufoulis, with the exception of Admiral Coundouriotis, was recommended in the chamber of deputies today by an investigating committee. Charges of the violation of the penal code and the law dealing with ministerial responsibility were looked into by the committee before it made its recommendation.

DESTROYER HIT BY A TORPEDO

American Boat Damaged and One Man Killed by a Submarine.

(By Associated Press.) Washington, Oct. 18.—An American destroyer on patrol duty in the war zone was torpedoed by an enemy submarine Tuesday and had one man killed and five wounded. She managed to make port in spite of severe damage.

Vice-Admiral Sims cabled a brief report of the incident to the Navy Department late yesterday. He gave few details, but it is assumed there was no fight and that the U-boat made good her escape after launching a torpedo without showing herself.

Gunner's Mate Osmond Kelly Ingram was the man killed. He was blown overboard by the explosion and his body was not recovered. Ingram's mother, Mrs. Betty Ingram, lives at Pratt City, Ala.

In accordance with the policy of secrecy concerning American naval operations the department did not divulge the name of the destroyer or the exact place of the encounter. None of the wounded was seriously hurt. They are Herman H. Pankratz, gunner's mate, St. Louis; William E. Merritt, seaman, New York City; F. W. Kruse, fireman, Toledo; Patrick Rutledge, oiler, New York City, and William Seimner, fireman, Dundas, Minn.

SUPREME COUNCIL HONORS FOUR MORE

(By Associated Press.) Washington, Oct. 18.—Olin S. Wright, of Plant City, Fla., is one of four new active sovereign grand inspectors of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Free Masonry for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States, elected and crowned by the Supreme Council in session here, thus bringing its total present membership up to 25, thirty-three being the statutory complement. The other three are Fred C. Schramm, of Salt Lake City; Marshall W. Wood, of Boise, Idaho, and Alexander E. Cochran, of St. Louis.

SERIOUS STATE IN RUSSIAN AFFAIRS

Anarchy Spreading, Gambling Wide Open, and Robberies Frequent

(By Associated Press.) London, Oct. 18.—The Times today devotes a column to a dispatch from its Petrograd correspondent describing the state of anarchy spreading throughout the Russian provinces. The dispatch mentions agrarian disorders in the districts of Hohliver and Saratov; rioting in Kharkov, resulting in the arrest of 50 ring leaders; street fighting in Kursk, and illicit distilling at Veronech which led to wholesale drunkenness and the severing of communication between Tashkent, Turkestan and Petrograd.

"In Petrograd," the correspondent adds, "conditions are little better with the police searching for 18,000 criminals. Questionable resorts and night clubs are multiplying. Gambling is enormously on the increase at the resorts, the minimum stake being 20,000 rubles. There are many accidents in the streets from motor cars colliding and tram cars being derailed. Robberies are increasing. In fact, no one seems to care about anything."

The government, he says, is combating the malady through the assistance of district committees.

Advertisement for the Liberty Loan contest. It lists prizes including a \$775 Briscoe Automobile, a Ford Touring Car, a \$200 in Gold, a \$100 in Gold, a \$93 Furniture Suite, a \$75 Columbia Gramophone, a \$50 Merchandise Order at J. W. H. Fuchs' Department Store, and a \$25 Wrist Watch. It also lists two \$60 Diamond Rings. The text encourages readers to subscribe to their favorite magazine to win one of these prizes. It includes the names of President Wilson and Secretary McAdoo.

CANDIDATES ARE HUSTLING TO WIN SECOND DIAMOND

Second Period of Contest Will Close in Eight Days—Now is the Time to Subscribe and Help Your Favorite Win One of the Valuable Prizes.

boost your favorite to the extent of 5,400 votes. What a great help a few such friends could be to a candidate. Haven't you a friend among the contestants whom you would like to assist? Look over the names in today's paper and then give your subscription and that of each of your friends that you can persuade to join you. There are a goodly number of contestants in a bunch close up to the front and any one of them is liable to take the lead, and then there are others lower down in the lists who have never yet occupied the top seat in the band wagon who are able to prove factors in the distribution of the big prizes. Just keep your eye on the score as it appears in each issue of this paper and you will be treated to numerous surprises. It is mettle and energy which will win in the end regardless of present position in the field of candidates. Just as in the days of Caesar, all roads led to Rome, so now all roads lead to the Dispatch office where the subscriptions are turned in and the ballots cast to determine which of the estimable women and girls contesting for the prizes will have the honor of being winners. There is scarcely an individual in all this section who is not interested to some extent in one or more of the contestants, and this is almost certain to lead to the daily a yearly payment will entitle your favorite to 2,700 votes, while if a new subscriber you can

Now is the time to subscribe. The first week of the second Diamond Ring period will soon be ended, and the \$60 ring will be won by someone in the race within the next eight days. No one has any advantage over anyone else, so far, in the struggle for this special prize, and it is certain that the finish will be close. Every reader of The Dispatch has or should have a particular friend among these contestants whom he would like to see win one of the prizes or the \$60 ring which will be awarded on November 13, the night the judges count the votes, and we wish to remind you that you can give great aid and encouragement to that friend by paying a subscription in advance. If you are an old subscriber to the daily a yearly payment will entitle your favorite to 2,700 votes, while if a new subscriber you can

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