

## S. PREPARING FOR HARD STRUGGLE

### Administration Plans to Raise Army Of Million Men and to Make Preparation for Every Emergency.

By ROBERT J BENDER  
(United Press Staff Correspondent)  
Washington, March 31—Having all but formally recognized the impossibility of now avoiding actual warfare, this government is setting out to prepare for a struggle, the end of which can not, admittedly, be foreseen.

Months ago when it appeared inevitable that the United States and Germany must eventually clash, it was the desire of the administration to take every possible step to prevent what has happened.

The particular reason given for this attitude was that the services of a peaceful United States would accomplish more in helping war-stricken Europe to regain its feet than to throw American arms and men into the balance on one side.

But, barring a miracle, the United States must now give over the idea of assuming the role of peace maker among the nations of earth. The great question facing this government today is how much further the flames of the European conflict may reach into this hemisphere.

The Austrian situation is doubtful. It is assumed that if the United States fights it will be impossible to maintain friendly relations with Austria, Turkey and Bulgaria. It would be obviously unwise to have diplomats or allies of nations with which we were at war sitting at Washington with unhampered view of the workings of the American Government.

Besides the Mexican threat hangs over the United States following the Zimmerman note and the explanation of the note by Zimmerman himself.

## Democrats Get House

(By United Press)  
Washington, March 31—The Democratic organization of the House was practically assured today when Representative Helgeson was stricken with appendicitis following the illness of Representative Capstick. Both are Republicans and their illness cuts the Republican total down to 212 votes. Congressman Mann will receive the Republican nomination for the speakership, according to the chairman of the Steering Committee.

## Islands Become U S Possession

Washington, March 31—Twenty five million dollars was transferred to the Danish Minister today and the Danish West Indies have become the Virgin Islands and Uncle Sam's newest possessions.

**HOLY WEEK SERVICES**  
Holy week services will be held at Christ Church next week as follows:  
Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at five p. m.  
Thursday at eight p. m. Holy Communion.  
Friday at eleven a. m.  
Rev. H. S. Osburn, the new rector will have charge of the services.

**EASTER FLOWERS! GOOD ASSORTMENT—LEAVE YOUR ORDERS AT THE APOTHECARY**

## Live Little Locals Many Minor Matters Merely Mentioned

L. C. Brogden of the State Department of Education at Raleigh passed through the city Friday on his way to deliver an address at Old Trap.

County Superintendent of Education F. M. Eason of Camden was in the city on business Friday.

J. B. Williams of Shiloh was here Friday on business.

Malvern Brock of Powells Point was in the city Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Bunch who were married here Thursday returned to their home in Jarvisburg on the Vansciver Friday.

Ernest Dowdy of Grandy was in the city Friday.

Mrs. Isabele Ange and Mrs. Lula Forbes of Old Trap were in the city Friday shopping.

Dr. J. M. Newbern of Jarvisburg was in the city Saturday.

W. G. Gaffer Jr., C. R. Pugh, and Herbert Peeler returned Saturday morning from Poplar Branch where they were judges in the South Mills Poplar Branch debate.

W. K. Leary of Old Trap was in the city Saturday.

Misses Lucinda Kight, Lucile Pugh, Lizzie Pugh, and Effie Burgess of Old Trap were here Saturday shopping.

W. B. Basnight and J. L. Weatherly of South Shore, Tyrrell County, who hold positions at Bertha were here Saturday shopping.

W. L. Perry of Mamie was in the city Saturday.

W. T. Brickhouse of Powells Point was here Saturday on business.

Miss Stevens of Laurinburg who is teaching at Jarvisburg this year was in the city Saturday shopping.

Daniel Wright like W. Fisher, C. A. Wright of Jarvisburg were in the city Saturday shopping.

J. J. Jones of Tyrrell County was in the city Saturday.

C. B. Burgess and N. H. Kight of Old Trap were here Saturday.

M. M. Hinton of Shiloh was in the city Saturday shopping.

T. P. Sullivan of Shiloh was here Saturday.

C. D. Tarkington of Manteo passed through the city Friday on his way home from Norfolk.

Mr. Bright Cartwright of Weaverville was in the city Friday.

J. L. DeCormis of Shawboro was in the city Friday.

C. E. Kramer has returned from a business trip to Norfolk.

K. R. Newbold of Hertford was in the city Friday.

L. D. Tarkington of Manteo was in the city on business Friday.

J. H. Snowden spent Thursday in Norfolk on business.

George J. Spence went to Edenton Friday on professional business.

Rev. Rufus Bradley is able to be up again after a severe illness at his home on Ehringhaus street.

Rev. N. P. Stallings of Moyock was in the city Friday. Mr. Stallings is able to preach again after many months of illness and is gradually, and he believes completely regaining his health.

**WEATHER OR NO**  
Fair and warmer tonight. Sunday fair.

## TO HAVE BOATS BY MAY FIRST

**VIRGINIA CAROLINA NAVIGATION COMPANY REPORTED AS HAVING ALREADY MADE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS TO THAT END**

Baltimore, Md., March 30—The Virginia Carolina Navigation Company, which plans to start the operation of boats between this city and Elizabeth City, N. C. on May 1st, will solve two freight problems that have puzzled commercial organizations and trade bodies here for some time, providing transportation facilities to Newport News and added facilities for the Eastern Shore of Maryland.

Officials of the company plan to make stops at Newport News. They have assured Mayor Moss that the vessels will be able to handle much freight for that port from Baltimore most expeditiously. Since the officials of the Chesapeake Steamship recently refused a delegation of business men of Newport News to make that city a port of call, the Virginians have turned to the new steamship company for relief.

The new company will start business with two vessels, the Enoch Pratt and the Newbern, each with a capacity of 700 tons. It plans to add to the equipment several other vessels.

## To Night At New Theatre

Saturday's play is "Hazel Kirke," a charming story of the Kentucky hills with a heroine and hero of the real outdoors. "For delightful variety the New Theatre is unequalled anywhere" say the patrons of the popular playhouse. The shows are always good and they are always different.

## CITY ROAD CHURCH

We are urging that every member of church be present at the preaching service in April. You come and encourage some one else to come.

The pastor, Rev. C. B. Culbreth will preach at both the morning and evening services. The subject for the morning hour will be: "What a friend said to his friends on leaving them."

The subject for the evening will be "Are We Bondsmen?"

The Sunday School will meet at nine-thirty with C. R. Pugh as superintendent.

The Epworth League will meet at 6:30.

The public is invited to attend all these services.

## FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

In the absence of Dr. B. C. Hening who is conducting revival services in Norfolk, Rev. R. L. Gay of Raleigh will preach at the First Baptist church Sunday morning, and Rev. D. P. Harris of this city will fill the pulpit Sunday night.

## FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

The pastor, Rev. J. L. Cunningham, will occupy the pulpit both morning and evening and continuing the series of evangelistic sermons. In the morning the subject will be "How one may obtain a genuine Christian Experience;" in the evening, "Sowing and Reaping." Every one is cordially invited to attend. Sunday School meets at 9:30 a. m.; Epworth League at 6:45.

## PEARL STREET METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday school at 10 a. m.; E. B. Griffin superintendent. Epworth League at 7 p. m. Secretary C. W. Ford of the Y. M. C. A. will speak at 7:30.

## BLACKWELL MEMORIAL CHURCH N

Rev. R. L. Gay of Raleigh will preach at the evening service at 7:30, supplying for the pastor, Rev. J. N. Lottin, who continues ill at his home on Pennsylvania Avenue. Herbert Peeler will speak at the morning service.

## ELEVEN SHIPS SUNK BY RAIDER

### New Sea Rover Lands Two Hundred Sixty Five Survivors at Rio de Janeiro and Slips Away Unharmed.

## PATRIOTISM IS NOW AT FLOOD

**ENGLISH CHANCELLOR OF EXCHEQUER SAYS THAT GERMAN SUBMARINE POLICY HAD LOOSED PURESTRINGS OF ALL INVESTORS**

By LOWELL MELLETT  
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London, March 31—A Bonar Law, chancellor of the exchequer, has given the United States the receipt for raising five billion dollars—under certain given circumstances. Only one ingredient is necessary, he said, in effect, and that is patriotism—but it is well to have it stirred by German frightfulness.

"The synchronization of German frightfulness," he said, "made the success of the victory war, loan certain."

Just as Zeppelin attacks on London started the first great rush to the colors, the German promise of undersea frightfulness accentuated the greatest rush to the pocket book any country ever saw. So in giving the people of Great Britain most of the credit for their great financial effort the chancellor insists that some credit be allotted to the promulgators of the frightfulness campaign.

Asked why he had confidently undertaken to raise the desired money with a promise of a little more than five per cent, interest when London's greatest financiers had declared it would be necessary to pay six per cent he said:

"The bankers, as natural, looked at it as a financial problem. I didn't. I looked upon it as a fighting problem, a war problem. I considered what the people would do as a matter of patriotism, not as a matter of finances. Once they were made to see the fighting possibilities of the money we asked, I was sure that they would not look twice at the question of interest. Events proved that to be the case. He could have added that the difference in interest saved the Empire more than \$50,000,000 a year.

"There were good reasons for not allowing the interest rate to exceed five per cent," he said.

"Through the necessity for keeping up our exchanges, the value of all money on the London market has long been higher than it otherwise would have been. Exchequer bonds bearing six per cent and treasury bills at five and one half, were issued up to the very day of the loan. It was owing to this high level of money that many financial men most competent to judge warned me that the loan would not succeed at less than six per cent.

"It seemed to me, as chancellor of the exchequer, that to stereotype British credit at a high figure like six per cent would be a serious misfortune. It would be better even to risk a comparative failure of the loan. As a matter of fact, however, I did not really anticipate a failure in any degree. I was banking on the people of the country.

"And in my belief, the success of the loan should not be measured in the amount raised, but in the number of persons who participated in it. Eight million people have a part in this loan."

Addressing five big meetings in various parts of the country, he

By HUGH ROBERTSON  
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Rio De Janeiro, March 31—Two hundred and sixty-five men and two women survivors of eleven vessels sunk in the Atlantic were brought into port here by another amazing German raider today. According to the story told by the survivors, the new commerce destroyer flies the Norwegian flag and is a heavily armed auxiliary sailing vessel bearing the name of the "Sea Adder."

The vessel is said to have left Germany on December 22nd. Her present whereabouts are unknown. Most of the victims overhauled were sunk in the vicinity of Trinidad. Many lives are said to have been lost in the sinkings.

said he was astonished at the enthusiasm shown.

"I never had seen anything like it, not at the most enthusiastic party meetings," he declared. "That spirit of the people has the greatest effect on the people of means. The spontaneity with which the people gave their little made it impossible for the wealthy to withhold the needed big contributions, even if they had been so minded."

A search through London newspaper morgues had revealed that his biographers unanimously agreed that Law had never coined an epigram. Yet he was the author of the appeal: "Are you going to give your sons and not your money?" "What Mr. Wilson is longing for we are fighting for."

"It is impossible for German nature to understand human nature. All in this loan campaign.

"How about it?" he was asked. Well, perhaps the war has changed me. I sometimes think it has changed all England."

Despite the naturally high importance which he attaches to the financial side of the war, the chancellor is not convinced that it is necessarily the controlling factor.

"The Allies, it goes without saying, have greater financial resources than the Central Powers," he observed. "But as long as a country has resources it can fight. Germany's resources, financial and otherwise, are practically confined within her own borders. But there is evidence that Germany has lost or is likely soon to lose her credit with her own people. Her other resources may give way sooner than expected. Austria is less able to support herself alone, but even Austria is a nation of great productivity. Turkey and Bulgaria, of course, are being supported by the other two.

"If it becomes solely a question of staying power—financial and industrial staying power—the Allies victory is certain. We have the resources."

"Has the effect of America's possible entry been considered," he was asked.

"America's resources are greater than any of those of the Allies, but it is outside of the province of a member of the English government to discuss America's possible action. We have steadily restrained from doing so. But if it becomes a question of staying power, it is obvious American resources could make all the difference in the world."

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## EPWORTH LEAGUE MEETS

The Epworth League of City Road Methodist church will meet at 6:30 Sunday evening, with Mrs. N. H. O'Neal leading the services. Every member is requested to be present.