AMERICANS SINK **GERMAN U-BOAT**

(By International News Service.) LONDON, Sept. 19 .- A dispatch just received here from Bergen, Norway, states that a German submarine was sunk and another badly damaged in a fight with an armed American freight steamer. The news was carried to Bergen by a Norwegian steamer which witnessed the battle The first submarine was engaged in sinking a sailing ship when the American steamer came to the rescue. The second submarine suddenly appeared and made two attempts to torpedo the American vessel, but failed. The submarine was then sent to the bottom, all but six of her crew perishing.

INCREASED RATES ON NEWSPAPERS

(By International News Service.) WASHINGTON, Sept. 18. - The deadlock over the \$2,500,000,000 revenue bill was broken this afternoon when the Senate accepted the House amendment for the increased

second-class postal rates on newspa-

pers and magazines.

CONTROL OF FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

(By International News Service.) WASHINGTON, Sept. 18. — An- EXEMPTED MEN other step in government control of food was taken today when the fruit and vegetable producers were asked to place their industry under license. Fifty leading shippers from the South, Northeast and California are in conference with the food administration here.

FEDERAL CONTROL OF COPPER

(By International News Service.)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18. - The blame for the threatened shortage of copper needed for war purposes is placed at the door of the Anaconda copper interests by Representative Jeanette Rankin, of Montana. Miss Rankin stated before the House committee that the copper interests by use of the "rustling card" system have created a blacklist through which they control the vote. In this way the companies elect their own Federal judges and control the State government. She urged that copper be taken under Federal control.

Onion sets, 10 cents quart at Frohman Coffee Company's. 21p2

HOPE TO SETTLE SHIP YARD STRIKE

(By International News Service.) WASHINGTON, Sept. 19. - Settlement of the San Francisco strike is expected within the next 48 hours, Mediator Boyce wired today.

LONDON TO USE SUGAR CARDS

(By International News Service.) LONDON, Sept. 19. — Sugar cards will be issued here October

DUTCH SHIPMENT MAY BE STOPPED

(By International News Service.) AMSTERDAM, Sept. 19. - A complete embargo on shipments from the United States to Holland is predicted by the semi-official paper, The Courant. The paper declares that the United States is dissatisfied with the Dutch neutrality and that the embargo will be the means of showing it.

PEACE TALK IS **MERELY RUMOR**

(By International News Service.) LONDON, Sept. 19. - Slight credence is given to the peace rumors that are filling the German press. Advices from The Hague quote the German papers at length, but talk of concessions and peace lacks the convincing ring. It is evident that Germany is going to great lengths in an effort to create dissatisfaction and unrest among the Allies.

CANNOT ENLIST

(By International News Service.) WASHINGTGON, Sept. 19. - The war department today sent instructions to recruiting officers not to accept applications from persons who previously had been exempted by local registration boards. Such applications furnish grounds for investigation as to whether the exemption may not be revoked, the department

OPTIMISTIC NOTE FROM RUSSIA

(By International News Service.) WASHINGTON, Sept. 19. — Ambassador Baksmietoff will tomorrow assure Secretary Lansing that Russia will continue in the war to the end and that rumors that Petrograd will make a separate peace are baseless and probably inspired by German agents. The ambassador is acting on instructions direct from Premier Kerensky. He will outline the measures that have been taken to strengthen the provisional government and to put down the revolution throughout the republic. His message will be the most optimistic received from Russia since the Czar was overthrown.

FAIR MEETINGS

To explain selecting entries and filling out entry blanks a public meeting will be held at the school house in each community two weeks prior to their community fair at 8 o'clock. Many other important matters will be discussed. Mr. Jno. B. Steele, County Agent, and Mr. J. M. Holland, Secretary of the County Fair, will attend each of these meetings.

SUNNYSIDE SATURDAY, SEPT. 15TH. FRIDAY, SEPT. 14TH. SOUTH POINT MONDAY, SEPT. 17TH. LANDER'S CHAPEL TUESDAY, SEPT. 18TH.

PANHANDLE WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 19TH. COSTNER THURSDAY, SEPT. 20TH.

CHERRYVILLE FRIDAY, SEPT. 21ST. DALLAS SATURDAY, SEPT. 22ND.

DONT FORGET YOUR DATE OF MEETING AND

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J. M. HOLLAND, Executive Secretary

SAYS THERE IS ANOTHER SIDE ALSO GASTON'S SECOND CONTINGENT OFF

Business Agent of Mrs. Maude A. King, Widow of Chicago Millionaire, Who Was Shot to Death, Supposedly Accidentally, Tells Newspaper Men That All Hasn't Yet Been Told by Any Means-Rumors That Means Had Dealings With German Agents.

The mysterious death of Mrs. Maude A. King, widow of a Chicago millionaire, who lost her life near Concord on the night of August 29th supposedly as the result of the accidental discharge of a pistol, continues to absorb public interest not only in Concord and North Carolina but in Chicago and New York and elsewhere. The New York and Chicago dailies have been giving the case large space each day and many things are hinted at. After the Cabarrus county coroner had, on the morning following her death, found at an inquest that she met death accidentally the body was exhumed in Chicago, her former home, where it had been taken for burial, and through the efforts of the coroner of Cook county, Illinois, the case has been re-opened. Another coroner's inquest will be held at Concord next Monday when it is expected that evidence will be introduced which was not brought out at the first hearing.

Papers and documents belonging to Gaston B. Means, of Concord, who acted as Mrs. King's business agent, were taken a few days ago from his New York apartments by the officials of that city and later Federal agents took over some of them. As a result it is hinted that Means had dealings with pro-German agents and the government is making an investigation of his movements and action the past year or two. In this connection the following press dispatch under a New York date line appear-

ed in yesterday afternoon's Char-

lotte News:

"Papers and memoranda found in the apartment here of Gaston B. Means indicate that he had business dealings with Captain Franz von Papen, recalled German naval attache which were not favorable to the allies, according to a statement made today by Assistant District Attorney Dooling. These papers were found during the district attorney's investigation of Means' affairs in connection with an inquiry into the mysterious death at Concord, N. C., of Mrs. Maude King, a wealthy widow for whom he acted as business man-

"Names mentioned in the memoranda, according to Mr. Dooling, included those of several United States senators and representatives. There also was found information concerning the output of manufacturing plants in various parts of the country, some of which were manufacturing munitions for the United States and the entente allies."

The News states further that Means was in Charlotte yesterday and in conversation with newspaper men hinted that there was another side to the affair and that there might be some surprises soon. The News says in part:

Declaring that there was a whole lot behind this affair that the public does not know, Gaston B. Means, while in Charlotte today to confer with Judge F. I. Osborne, his attorney, opened up a new and wide field for speculation. The inference was clear that Means thought this new light, which he intimated could yet be focused on the King case, would have the effect of overturning opinion that may have been established against him, and of reversing the score. Means made the statement concerning the 'other side of the affair, like a man who thought only a part of the truth had been

'Will this 'other side' come out at the re-opening of the coroner's case next Monday?" Means was ask-

He did not make direct reply to this question. Means was deeply interested in

the fact that he had several old University classmates in Charlotte and spoke of his college life at the Uni-The conference with Judge Os-

borne continued for nearly two hours The whole affair is apparently shrouded in a haze of mystery and the public will await with interest

unravelling of the tangled threads, if indeed they are ever un-

· lara Kimball Young in "The Test", Broadway Friday.

Charlie Chaplin's Burlesque on "Carmon", Broadway today, Four

TODAY'S COTTON MARKET.

(By International News Service.) NEW YORK, Sept. 19 .- The cotton market opened this morning with October contracts selling at 20.81; January 20.82.

Col. William H. Osborn, of Greensboro, who has for several years been commissioner of internal revenue under the Wilson administration, has resigned on account of ill health and has been succeeded by Daniel Roper, of South Carolina.

GASTON MEANS TALKS 71 MORE MEN TO CAMP

Seventy-one Gaston County Men Left at 3 O'clock This Afternoon for Camp Jackson at Columbia, S. C., to Enter Training in the National Army-Mr. Ernest R. Warren in Charge, With Several Assistants-Go Over the P. & N. and Scaboard

Seventy-one men, representing larger part of the second required installment of Gaston county's men for the drafted army, left at three o'clock this afternoon for Camp Jackson, Columbia, S. C. / The number required was 87 representing 40 per cent of the total quota of 212 men. However, there were only 71 available today as this was the number certified back by the district board. The men were placed under the charge of Mr. Ernest R. Warren, of Gastonia, who is assisted by Messrs. Ralph Kendrick, Clyde C. Riddle, Very B. Pasour, William L. Brown and J. C. Elliott. The party left on a special train of two cars over the P. & N., going out from the station on East Main avenue. At Charlotte they will be transferred to the Seaboard and will go to Columbia by way of Hamlet. They will reach Camp Jackson tomorrow morning about 3 o'clock.

The men in this party gathered In town this morning and reported at the headquarters of the local exemption board at 10 o'clock. At 1 o'clock they went to dinner in a body. Quite a number of Gastonians were at the station to see them off.

Grover C. Henderson, Gastonia. Augustus Brown Mauney, Cherry

Fred William Friday, Dallas. Clarence Hubbard, High Shoals. Paul Marcellus Bolick, Stanley. John Sherman Farrar, Gastonia. Ralph Rothwell Stowe, Dallas. Boyden Abernethy, Mount Holly. Frank Hawkins, Gastonia. John Harrison Whitworth, Cher-

Wm. Webb Eaker, Cherryville. John Jackson Evans, Lowell. Gus Blair Sahms, Belmont. Joseph Harry Whitner, Stanley. Hurbert Turney, Gastonia. Very Bennett Parsons, B. City. Oscar Burley Huffstetler, Dallas. John Sidney Friday, Dallas. Thomas Mitchell, Gastonia. Guyser Canipe, Cherryville. Jas. Arthur Back, Cherryville. Carlos Carlisle Stroup Lowell. Roy Clayton Ledford, Belmont. Thos. Cleveland Self, Cherryville Arthur Little Stroup, Stanley. Loy Walter Cloninger, B. City. Lon James Spargo, Lowell. John Sidney Carpenter, Cherryvile Arthur Alex Armstrong, Gastonia. Avery Marshall Smith, Mt. Holly. Clarence Lackey Navy, K. Mtn. Bernard Fuller Oakley, Gastonia. Ernest Robert Warren, Gastonia. Robert Carl Bradford, Belmont. Loy Franklin Plonk, Dallas. Wm. Luther Bowman, Jr., M. Hol-

Dixon R. Boyles, Bessemer City. William Jordan, Gastonia. Chas. W. Kennedy, B. City. Jacob Earl Jenkins Costner, Cher-

Ivy Alexander Fisher, Mt. Holly. Albert P. Rudisill, Dallas. Luther Wince Avery, Dallas. Walter Lloyd Pasour, Dallas. Geo. Henry Heafner, Crouse. Albert Laurence Lineberger, Stan-

Griffin Gold Rollins, Kings Mtn. Walter Irwin Lowe, Lowell. Willie Lee Bradley, Gastonia. Andrew E. Beaty, Belmont. Clarence B. Thompson, B. City. John Alexander Wooten, Belmont. Sidney A. Williams, High Shoals. John Alexander Edwards, M. Holly Granville DeWayne White, Gasto. Price Elmore Ford, Gastonia. John Warner Riley, Mt. Holly. Miley Burnett, Gastonia. Horace Cleveland Ross, Greenville,

Isaac Cletus Long, Kings Mtn. Robt, Gamewell Rutledge, Dallas, Howard G. Oates, Bessemer City. Luther Hutto, Belmont. King David Taylor, Gastonia. John Branch, Gastonia. Ernest Ramsey, Bessemer City. William Junius Springs, Mt. Holly Otis Dewey Pratt, Gastonia. Clyde Craig Riddle, Gastonia. J. D. Elliott, Gastonia. Ralph Kendrick, Gastonia.

Clara Kimball Young in "The Test", Broadway Friday.

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GERMANS LOSE 1250 MEN A DAY

(By International News Service.)

GENEVA, Sept. 19. - Germany is losing an average of 1,250 men daily in battle. Majority leader Ersberger is using this fact tellingly in his peace arguments.

1,000 AT UNIVERSITY.

Attendance Almost Normal Despite Drains of War-Seniors and Juniors Are Scarce—Athletics Give CONSCRIPTS FILL Way to Military Training - Boys Are Donning Khaki and Shouldering Rifles, the Latter a Gift from an Alumnus-Gaston Has One Co-Ed This Year.

Correspondence of The Gazette. CHAPEL HILL, Sept. 18. - With about one thousand students registered and the formalities of opening over, the University has begun a year of serious work. Characterized as one of the hardest periods in its history, Dean Stacy has nevertheless predicted a highly successful session. The number of men registered is much better than was ever hoped for by the most optimistic. With an exceedingly large freshman class, the academic department is almost up to normal size. There is a marked falling off in the junior and senior classes, though. A big per cent of these two classes entered training camps last spring and practically every one was commissioned.

One of the most marked changes on the campus is the lack of athletic display which has always been wont to be seen, and in its place are seen numerous would-be soldiers. Intercollegiate football has been abandoned for this season in order to give military tarining a better show. Class athletics will be encouraged to a much greater extent than heretofore. It was announced recently that 'varsity basketball, baseball and track would be held as usual.

It is suprising that such a large number of the students should give up their leisurely afternoon and enlist in the course of military science. This is to be serious business as soon as the organization can be completed. The University will give credit for the course toward degrees. Already the athletic field is covered every afternoon with squads marching here and there. The men are being equipped with khaki uniforms as fast as they can be secured. About 250 Springfield rifles have been given to

the University by a loval alumnus Gaston county is well represented here this year with 16 students. Among these, there is one lady, Miss Louisa Reid, of Gastonia. This is the first time that Gaston has been honored with a co-ed. Miss Reid is a member of the Senior class, having graduated at Queens College, Charlotte, last year.

Contests at Sunnyside.

Sunnyside residents are planning an interesting and novel program of sports in connection with the holding of the community fair there for the entertainment of the many who will be present. Treasurer D. Stroup is arranging a program which will include a sack race, potato race. chair-making contest and many new and novel features. The Sunnyside community fair is going to be a first-class one, having the united backing of all the residents of that township.

-Charlotte Observer, 19th: Mr. Stwart Carter, of this city, and Miss Mamie Hunneycut, of Gastonia, were married yesterday afternoon by Magistrate J. W. Cobb. The bride was accompanied by her mother. Only a few intimate friends were

Henry B. Walthall and Mary Charleson in "Burning the Candle" Broadway Thursday.

GERMANS FALLING BACK FROM RIGA

(By International News Service.) PETROGRAD, Sept. 19 .- The Germans are laying waste the country as they fall back on the Riga front. The Russians are consolidating their new positions as they advance. Indications are that the German designs on Odessa have been abandoned.

RANKS OF GUARD

(By International News Service.) WASHINGTON, Sept. 19 .- Drafted men from every State in the Union, except Nevada, will soon be calied to fill up the ranks of the Federalized National Guards. New York and Pennsyvania guards are the only ones that are near full war strength. Nevada has no guard. No estimate of the number of men needed for this purpose was available today but reports from division commanders are expected at the War Department at once, as the guard will go to France soon and it is essential to fill up its ranks at once. Drafted men of the first call will likely be transferred to the guard and additional men called into the service to take their places.

POPE WILL SEND ANOTHER NOTE

(By International News Service.) PARIS, Sept. 19 .- The Petit Parisienne states that the Pope will send another note to the belligerents.

WEAVER MEMORIAL DAY.

Special Campaign Next Sunday to Raise \$25,000 for Weaver Hall at Rutherford College.

Special interest is being taken by many Gastonians in the special campaign which is to be conducted throughout the Western North Carolina Conference next Sunday. September 23, to raise a fund of \$25,000 to erect a dormitory at Rutherford College as a memorial to the late Dr. James H Weaver. reason for the special interest shown here is that Rev. H. H. Jordan, pastor of Main Street Methodist church, who is also chairman of the board of trustees of Rutherford College, was the originator of the movement to thus honor the memory of Dr. Weaver, one of the best loved members of the conference.

Rev. Mr. Jordan, as president of the board of trustees, has mailed a circular letter to each of the more than 200 pastors of Methodist churches in the conference, setting forth the plans and requesting that each church observe September 23 as Weaver Memorial Day.

Landers Chapel Meeting.

Landers Chapel people held a big meeting at the school house there Tuesday night to complete preparations for the holding of their community fair. Secretary J. M. Hotland, of the Gaston County Fair, Secretary Fred M. Allen, of the Chamber of Commerce, County Agent J. B. Steele, Attorney Fred McMillan and Mr. C. F. Thomasson were present from Gastonia. President L. A. Barbee has his committees well in hand and preparations indicate that the community fair is going to be a splendid one at that point and well worth attending.

Henry B. Walthall and Mary Char-leson in "Burning the Candle", Broadway Thursday.

BIGGEST COUNTY FAIR IN **CAROLINAS**

More than 3-4 mile of exhibits. The new buildings give the largest and most completely equipped county fair in the two states.

WILL BE CRAMPED FOR ROOM

Present indications are that more exhibits will be brought than there will be conveniently room for.

You Will Be Proud Of Having A Part In It Lots better to be running over with exhibits than just

Every Body's Doing It Why Not You

The Big Gaston County Fair October 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 1917

J. M. HOLLAND, Executive Secretary