

## FOUR GERMAN U-BOATS ON WAY TO U. S. COAST?

Believed To Have an Eye on Two British Liners to Convey Canadian Troops.

## FEARS FELT FOR LINER DUE SINCE THURSDAY

NEW YORK, Nov. 25.—Four German submarines are reported to be under way to the Atlantic coast to attack enemy shipping.

The Mauretania and Olympic are now in Halifax waiting to carry Canadian troops to England. The submarines, it is believed, have their eyes on these vessels principally.

The submarines are expected off the coast within a few days. Shipping men said that they had every reason to believe that the German U-boat "53" is still on this side of the Atlantic. They think that she has gone to some station in the West Indies to replenish her supply of oil and food.

In marine circles some anxiety was felt for the safety of the Cunard steamer Panconia, due to arrive here last Thursday from Liverpool. Officials of the line said that they had no information as to her position.

Many a man has come back, in spite of the fact that he has burned his bridges behind him.

## TRATOFF NOW FOREIGN MINISTER OF RUSSIA

LONDON, Nov. 25.—Unofficial advices from Petrograd tonight reported the appointment of M. N. Tratoff, the assistant Russian minister of Foreign Affairs to the office of Foreign Minister.

## STATEMENT SHOWS GROWTH OF BANK

New Bern Banking and Trust Company Enjoying Best Period of Its Career.

We call the attention of our readers to the statement of the New Bern Banking and Trust Company at the close of business November 17th that appears in this issue.

This bank is enjoying the best business of its career, as will be noticed that its deposits come within a fraction of the half-million mark, showing an increase since September 12th of 54,000.

The people who handle the destiny of this institution are well fitted for the job, and one looking for courteous treatment and unparalleled service, just hunt them up, they will do the rest.

The floating population isn't necessarily composed of those who are able to keep their heads above the water.

## SOME SALE AT COPLON STORE YESTERDAY

Low Prices on Coats for Ladies and Children Attract Crowds.

To use the slang expression, the special sale on ladies and children's coats held by S. Coplon and Sons yesterday morning at ten o'clock, was some sale. It had been announced that the sale would start promptly at ten o'clock and that none of the special line of the "Manufacturers' Imperfection" would be sold before that hour.

The building was packed when the big town clock sounded that hour and a rush was made for the coat counter, which almost terminated in a stampede so eager were the people for one of those special bargains. This merchandise was a remarkable value. The majority of the coats were made to retail at from twenty to thirty dollars but due to some slight imperfection on the part of the maker, they could not be sold as perfect garments and this firm placed them on sale at \$10.00 and \$12.50.

## THOM PRESENTS PRINCIPLES THE RAILROADS URGE

Include Reorganization of Interstate Commerce Commission.

## FEDERAL CONTROL OF STOCKS ISSUANCE

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 25.—In behalf of the railroads, Alfred C. Thom presented today to the joint congressional committee the principles which the railroads believe should be included in a just system of Federal regulation. These included reorganization of the Interstate Commerce Commission, its power to prescribe minimum rates, rate suspension for sixty days instead of ten months, and federal control of stocks issuance.

Mr. Thom suggested that the regional committees be selected from men familiar with the localities in which they would sit. Up to this time it has been thought that these regional committees would be composed of members of an enlarged Interstate Commerce Commission.

## BUCHAREST SAYS ENEMY IS CHECKED

Admits, However, That Teutons Have Crossed Danube At Two Places.

BUCHAREST, Nov. 25.—The Roumanian war office announced tonight that the Austro-German troops had crossed the Danube river at two places, Isladz and Zimnitz. The official statement argued that the advance of the enemy had been checked.

## GET-TOGETHER DINNER FOR ALL PEACE GIRLS

Feast To Be Held at Institution at Raleigh, on December First.

A Get-Together Dinner of Peace Girls will be held at Peace Institute, Raleigh, on Friday, December first, from six to eight o'clock. A delightful menu and program have been arranged and no better opportunity to meet the new president, Miss Mary Graham and her able faculty, could be had.

Every old Peace girl in New Bern who can be present is requested to notify Miss Pauline Hill, West Raleigh, before November 28th. Enclose \$1.00 in your letter or carry it with you.

## HIDES HER FACE FROM MAN FOR 45 YEARS

Ohio Woman at 20 Vowed To Remain in Seclusion for Rest of Her Life.

WEST MENTOR, OHIO, Nov. 25.—True to her vow, made at the age of twenty, that she would not let mortal man look upon her face for the rest of her natural life, Miss Harriet Martindale has today just passed the forty-fifth year of her seclusion.

Miss Martindale at the age of twenty was engaged to be married to a man but the man she was to have wed became the husband of her sister.

Heartbroken over the sudden realization of her perjury, she solemnly vowed no man should see her face again, and through the use of a heavy veil and a life of seclusion she has kept her word.

She has requested in the event of her death, no man be allowed to see her. A woman friend has been requested to prepare her body for burial. Both the sister and her husband are dead.

Muggins—"Do you thing anything in the world would take that air of self-importance out of Bichedde?" Baggins—"Well, attending his own wedding might."

## BANK BUILDING OPEN TO PUBLIC MONDAY NIGHT

National Bank to Occupy Modern Home Tomorrow—Citizens Invited to Inspect.

## 51ST ANNIVERSARY OF THE ORGANIZATION

On Monday evening the National Bank of New Bern will move into its remodeled building, and from 7 to 9 o'clock P. M., the doors will be thrown open to the public, and the officers and directors extend a cordial invitation to its customers and friends to call and inspect the new banking rooms.

The National Bank was established in 1865, and its original charter is dated Nov. 27th, 1865, so Monday will be the Fifty-First Anniversary of the organization of the bank. During the fifty-one years of its existence, this bank has successfully passed through the several financial panics that have occurred in this country, and is today the oldest and strongest, as well as the only National Bank in this section.

About one year ago, the directors of the bank decided that the old building was inadequate for the growing needs of the institution, so on July 4th, 1916 temporary quarters were secured at 55-57 Pollock street, and the work of re-modeling the old building was begun. The work has been pushed very rapidly and now a thoroughly modern building stands upon the old site. Special attention has been paid to the needs and convenience of its customers in re-arranging the banking-room. There is a special department for ladies near the entrance, where they can sit down and do whatever writing they may desire, and not have to stand at the regular customers desks in the lobby. Then there is a private room near the vault where the customers can take their safe deposit boxes, to look over

## VILLA ATTACKING CHIHUAHUA CITY ON THREE SIDES

Bandit Making Desperate Efforts to Capture Trevino's Artillery.

## WIRE COMMUNICATION HAS BEEN BROKEN OFF

EL PASO, TEXAS, Nov. 25.—Francisco Villa's force is attacking Chihuahua City from three sides, while the main body of his troops is storming Santa Rosa Hill in an attempt to capture Gen. Trevino's artillery.

This information was obtained tonight shortly before wire communication was broken. The assault of Villa's forces followed skirmishes during the morning during which Villa moved his troops into advantageous positions.

Their papers, and find a comfortable chair and desk with pen and ink, etc. for their convenience. The bank is well equipped with safe deposit boxes, which it rents at reasonable prices. There are many other improvements and everybody is invited to call and see for themselves.

## 200,000 MORE WORKERS WANT EIGHT-HOUR DAY

Clothing Workers of United States and Canada Have Issued 'Ultimatum.'

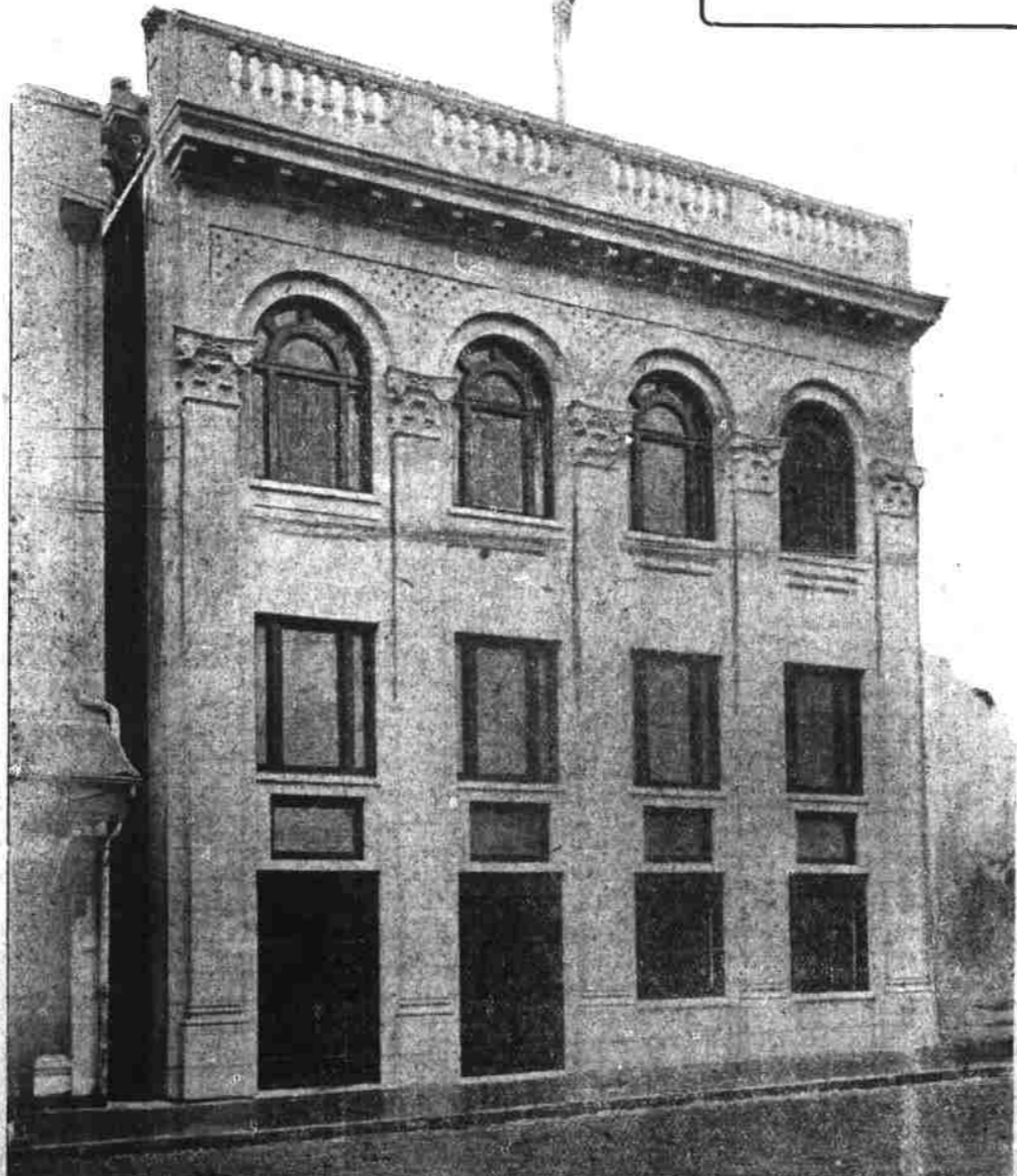
## STRIKE DECEMBER 1 IF DEMANDS DENIED

NEW YORK, Nov. 25.—The biggest clothing strike in the history of the country will be called on December first unless employers grant the demands of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America.

This was announced officially tonight by the officers of the association. Strike is bound to be international and will affect all clothing workers in the United States and Canada. More than 200,000 workers will be affected, unless the demand for an eight-hour day is granted.

## TWO BANDITS ROB PAYMASTER OF \$2,300

CLEVELAND, OHIO, Nov. 25.—Two bandits held up and robbed Thomas Carrol, paymaster of the Peoples Paper Box Company of \$2,300 and escaped.



This is the home of The National Bank of New Bern. The building has just undergone complete remodeling and is now one of the most modern and attractive banking houses in the State.

## DESTROYERS ATTEMPT RAID ON BRITISH COAST

Six German Craft Driven Off Before Any Damage Was Done.

LONDON, Nov. 25.—The British admiralty this afternoon announced that six German destroyers today attempted a raid on the Kentish coast but were driven off.

The destroyers fired several rounds and one of the shells struck a mine sweeper. None of the crew was injured.

## BOTH SIDES CLAIM GAINS IN MACEDONIA

Rome War Office Reports That The Italians Have Made New Progress.

LONDON, Nov. 25.—Both sides today claimed successes in the fighting in Macedonia north and west of Manastir. The war office reports from Rome and Paris reported that the Italians had made new progress.

The repulse of the Entente attack was claimed by the official announcements from Sofia and Berlin.

## RENEWED FIGHTING IN VERDUN SECTOR

Artillery of Both Sides 'Very Active,' Says Paris War Statement.

PARIS, Nov. 25.—A new outburst of cannonading in Verdun around Fort Vaux was officially reported tonight by the French war office.

The artillery of both sides was very active. The German, British and Belgian officials say that no operations of importance took place on the remainder of the western front.

## TOM WATSON TO GO ON TRIAL ONCE MORE MONDAY

Georgia Editor Charged With Sending Obscene Literature Through Mails.

## DEFENDANT TO ACT AS HIS OWN LAWYER

AUGUSTA, GA., Nov. 25.—The second trial of Thomas E. Watson, the anti-Catholic editor of the Jeffersonian magazine, will begin Monday in the Federal court.

Watson is charged with sending obscene attacks on the Catholic church through the United States mails.

The defendant will act as his own lawyer during the trial.

Federal Judge Wallace W. Lambdin will preside. The prosecution of Watson is under the direction of District Attorney E. M. Donaldson.

An effort was made to have Watson tried in another State, the government so far having failed to secure a conviction of Watson in this State, although he has been tried two or three times. Watson, in the Jeffersonian, attacked many religious organizations.

## FOUR MEMBERS CREW OF 'GLACIER' PERISH

Launch of U. S. Supply Ship Cut in Two by River Steamer—Two Others Missing.

## BLACK VICTIM JOKE HAD A CLOSE SHAVE

Negro Came Near Being Electrocuted as Result of Prank at Zebulon.

ZEBULON, Nov. 25.—There came near being an electrocution here when James Smith, colored, was made the victim of some practical jokers. He was given in either hand an end of a piece of wire. The middle point of the wire was inserted into a socket from which the lamp globe had been removed and the current switched on. When the resultant commotion was over Smith was found lying under an oil tank and it took the services of a doctor to revive him.

## INFANT PLAGUE MAY RETURN, HE DECLARES

Dr. Simon Flexner Says Last Summer's Outbreak Was a Phenomenon.

NEW YORK, Nov. 25.—Infantile paralysis may come to New York again and physicians, if not aided by laymen, will be powerless to prevent its vigorous recurrence, Dr. Simon Flexner declared in a lecture here.

This summer's epidemic had its origin in the epidemic that visited Norway in 1905, Dr. Flexner said. He added:

"The outbreak of last summer was in the nature of a phenomenon, for never in the history of the world had so many cases of the disease been confined to one locality. New York's plague of last summer has since traveled around the globe.

"As to the future of the disease in this country, I am afraid that it has spread too far and become so firmly entrenched, as it were, for it ever to be eradicated. However, I am confident that its reappearance will be sporadic."

You never can tell. Many a man prates of the dignity of labor whose conscience is more callous than his hands.

## ALL TESTIMONY HEARD IN LAWLER MURDER TRIAL

Chain Evidence Against Slayer of Alabama Judge Appears Strong.

## MAY GO TO THE JURY MONDAY AFTERNOON

HUNTSVILLE, ALA., Nov. 25.—Both the prosecution and defence in the case of David Overton, charged with the murder of Judge W. T. Lawler, closed this afternoon and are ready for arguments when court convenes Monday morning.

The arguments will require at least all of the morning session and probably may extend throughout the afternoon. The case is not expected to reach the jury until night.

The crowd attending the court session today was composed of scores of women who had brought their lunches and remained in the court room all day.

Judge Miller announced before adjournment this afternoon that all spectators who enter the court room on Monday morning will be searched for firearms.

The prosecution won an important point at the afternoon session when Mrs. Robert Phillips, the widow of the former sheriff, and Mrs. Thomas Lawler, Jr., daughter of the dead sheriff, testified that Sheriff Phillips remained at home all night on June 14, the night that Judge Lawler disappeared, and did not leave home until after breakfast. They also testified that he received no telephone call during the night or early morning.

The defendant had sworn on the stand that he called Phillips and that he came to the court house in the early morning of Thursday, June 15.

The prosecution scored a point when two witnesses testified that they saw Overton, the defendant in the village after eight o'clock Wednesday night.

## PRESIDENT'S COLD GREATLY IMPROVED

So Much Engaged in Work He Neglected First Symptoms Of Attack.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 25.—President Wilson's cold which prevented him from attending the Army and Navy football game in New York today, was much better tonight, but on the advice of Dr. Grayson, the White House physician, the President remained closely to his room.

The President is said to have been so much engaged in work on his forthcoming message to Congress that he neglected the early symptoms of the attack. As a result the cold penetrated his system in a manner that made him very uncomfortable until relief was afforded by strong remedies.

The earth was made for man, but no fellow wants to fall into it from an aeroplane.

## HAS INVENTED A NEW REFRIGERATOR

Has Automatic Delivery of Bottled Drinks, Butter, Eggs and Cheese.

Mr. J. T. Harris, manager of the Scott Register Company, has invented a new refrigerator which has an automatic delivery of bottled drinks, butter, eggs and cheese. He recently returned from Washington where he was assured by one of the leading patent attorneys of the country that there will be no trouble in securing a patent for the new invention.

The interior is so arranged that drinks of different flavor may be kept in different compartments. The front of each cabinet is labeled and the delivery is automatic, one bottle at a time, without allowing but little of the cold air to escape.

The refrigerator is thoroughly sanitary. The entire of the interior may be removed at any time and sterilized.

Prosperity is the root on the hinges of the door of adversity.