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GERMANY DECLARED WAR ON HOLLAND?

PERSISTENT RUMORS TO THIS EFFECT IN LONDON

STRUGGLE GOES ON IN THE EAST

Renewed Interest in Fight on Dardanelles—Turks Un-easy.

LONDON, April 8.—There were persistent rumors in London tonight that Germany had either declared war on Holland or her troops had occupied a strip of Dutch territory extending from the Belgian frontier on the coast to the River Scheldt.

The reports which lacked confirmation are not credited by officials. It is possible they arose from a Dutch source of news which said the Germans were strengthening their positions around the Dutch frontier and that uneasiness prevailed at the Hague and other Dutch cities, as a result of the seizure or sinking of Dutch steamers by German submarines. The Dutch are strongly opposed to intervention, but their army is ready to repel an invasion.

Another diplomatic report creating immense interest came from Rome saying that Austria was seeking separate peace with Russia. This is unconfirmed and is not credited. The stubborn way in which Austria is resisting the Russian advances in the Carpathians seems to contradict the report.

Fighting in the mountain passes continued as fierce as ever, each side still claiming the advantage. The only battle of any importance was in Bukovina, where the Austrians are at the Russian positions in the hope of compelling the Russians to send reinforcements from the Carpathians.

This people of Europe are expectantly awaiting a renewal of the attack on the Dardanelles, this time with land and sea forces. The only news from that part of the world today is Turkey's decided call upon all men capable of bearing arms. This indicates that Turkey expects the allies to bring an exceedingly strong force against her.

AFRICAN TROOPS TO AID ALLIES IN EXPEDITION AGAINST TURKEY

PARIS, April 8.—French troops from Africa are ready to assist the allied fleet and British expeditionary forces against Turkey. An official statement issued tonight said the corps had been ready since March 18. The forces have been debarked at Alexandria, Egypt and are ready to proceed to any point necessary without delay.

AEROPLANES DROP BOMBS ON TOWN IN MONTENEGRO

NISH, April 8.—Austrian aeroplanes Tuesday bombed the Montenegrin town, Podgoritza. A celebration was in progress and the streets were crowded. Twelve persons were killed, sixty wounded and many houses destroyed. Most of the killed and wounded were women and children.

Sultan of Egypt Had Close Call

LONDON, April 8.—An attempt was made this afternoon to assassinate the Sultan of Egypt, according to a Reuter dispatch from Cairo. While the Sultan was leaving the palace a native shot at him, but the shot went wild and the native was seized.

Appointed Highway Commissioner
INDIANAPOLIS, April 8.—Governor Ralston tonight announced the appointment of Thomas Teggart, Democratic national committeeman and Carl G. Fisher, builder of the Indianapolis speedway, Indiana commissioners to fix the route of the Dixie highway from Chicago to Miami.

Austro-Italian War Would Be Popular With Majority

ROME, April 8.—Italy's hesitancy in entering the war is explained in official circles as due to the fact that every possible effort to obtain what the people desire through diplomatic channels. It is pointed out that in the meantime Italy is gaining every day in military strength and economic resources in postponing entrance into the conflict.

Officials reports from European capitals are said to agree that a supreme clash between the allies and Austro-German armies, which origi-

CASE OF WM. P. FRYE GOES TO PRIZE COURT

UNITED STATES WILL PROBABLY ASSENT TO PLAN OF PROCEDURE

WAS SUNK BY EITEL

Germany States She Assumes Liability for Loss of Ship and Cargo.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Germany today replied to the state department's claim for damage resulting from the sinking of the American ship, William P. Frye, by the German auxiliary cruiser, Prinz Eitel Friedrich. Germany assumes liability, not only for the destruction of the vessel but for the cargo, under treaty of 1823, which requires that the case be taken before a prize court for establishment of facts concerning the ownership of the ship and cargo.

It was stated that the United States will assent. The reply was handed by the foreign office at Berlin to Ambassador Gerard, who cabled it to the state department.

CONTROL EXPEDITIONS

CHRISTIANA, April 8.—The government has asked parliament to pass a bill to establish control over all scientific or exploring expeditions from Norway to the Polar regions. Under the proposed law expeditions would be required to carry provisions for at least two years. The constantly recurring expense of relief expeditions to rescue improperly equipped explorers.

ROBERT HENDRICKS ELECTED MAYOR OF PICKENS

PICKENS, April 8.—Robert Hendricks, the incumbent, was re-elected mayor of Pickens Monday over two opponents both of whom have at one time or another served as mayor of this place. The two defeated candidates are: B. B. Laboon and Sam B. Craig. Mr. Hendricks received a plurality of the votes cast. In the race for the aldermanic positions, there were twelve candidates, the following being the winners: Dr. J. N. Hallum, R. L. Hanes, W. F. Mauldin, A. C. Gravelly, Dr. J. L. Valley and M. C. Smith.

ELIMINATE DINING CARS ON ENGLISH RAILWAYS

LONDON, April 8.—Dining cars are to be eliminated by all English railways for the remainder of the war, if an order to such effect, which has been prepared by the directors of this branch of the service is approved by the managing authorities. The move is in accordance with the general policy of economizing all claims of civilian traffic in favor of the national requirements, as well as in agreement with the national scheme to release as many able-bodied men as can be spared for the fighting line.

Another Princess.
BERLIN, April 8.—Crown Princess Cecilie yesterday gave birth to a daughter. Mother and child are doing well.

The crown princess, a daughter of the late Friedrich Franz III, of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, married Frederick William in June, 1905. They now have five children.

Fifty Per Cent of Studon's Enlisted.
LONDON, April 8.—The bureau of statistics of the British Empire, which has prepared a war roll of the colleges of England and the colonies, announces that the average contribution in men from the universities and colleges thus far is just over 50 per cent.

nally seemed certain to take place in May will be postponed until June or later. Therefore it is argued there is no reason why Italy should hasten action. No attempt is made to deny war against Austria would be popular. It is pointed out that the Italian army has been successfully mobilized without protest from Austria, the country most obviously threatened. This is taken in some quarters to indicate Austria wants to avert hostilities and may yet consent to make the territorial concessions that Italy desires.

HUERTA PLOTTING TO REGAIN DICTATORSHIP

ADMISSION TO UNITED STATES WILL BE OPPOSED

FORMER FRIENDS ASSEMBLE IN N. Y.

Carranza Government Claims to Have Evidence to Support Charge.

LOS ANGELES, April 8.—The Carranza government at Vera Cruz will ask the United States to deny admittance to Victoriano Huerta to American soil, according to a message the Carranza agent here received today. The Carranza faction declares it has evidence that a group of Mexican conservatives have assembled in New York to meet Huerta to plan a movement to restore Huerta to dictatorship of Mexico.

No Interest in Washington.
WASHINGTON, April 8.—American officials today viewed with indifference the coming of Victoriano Huerta, former dictator of Mexico, to New York. Counselor Lansing said the question of his admittance had not been considered by the state department.

He declared he did not know whether any point in that connection had been reached by any other government department. Huerta is expected to reach New York Saturday from Spain.

BUSINESS IN U. S. IMPROVES DAILY

Maine Only State where Financial Depression Really Exists.

TO DISMANTLE CRUISER TODAY

Action Postponed to Allow Military Funeral of Seaman.

NEWPORT NEWS, April 8.—The German auxiliary cruiser Prinz Eitel Friedrich will be transferred to the Norfolk navy yard tomorrow and there will be interned throughout the war at Commander Thierichens's request. The breech locks of the Eitel's guns, connecting rods of her engines will be removed under direction of Admiral Beatty. The cruiser would have gone to the navy yard today except for Thierichens's request that he be permitted to remain for the funeral tomorrow of Seaman Prei who was accidentally killed yesterday by a fall down companionway.

Prei will be buried in a local cemetery with full German military honors. The commander and commissioned officers will be paroled and the crew allowed shore leave under navy department regulations.

Panama Has Another Revolution.
PANAMA, April 8.—The United States cruiser Chattanooga was dispatched under rush orders yesterday for Corinto, Nicaragua. Her sailing was believed here to have been due to the reported outbreak of a revolution on the west coast of Nicaragua.

Shortage of Cradles in England.
LONDON, April 8.—There is a serious shortage in the supply of cradles in England and prices have more than doubled in the past three months. The principal beds of oyster from which English cradles are woven, are in Belgium, in German hands, and there have been no importations since the war began.

VILLA'S TROOPS BADLY BEATEN

CARRANZA FACTION CLAIMS DECISIVE VICTORY AT CELAYA

CELEBRATION AT VERA CRUZ

Report Villistas Lost Three Thousand Killed and Wounded.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Claims of a decisive Carranza victory over Villa at Celaya, one hundred and fifty miles north of Mexico City, reports that martial law had been established at Tampico and that fighting is continuing at Elbano were received today in state department dispatches. No information was received from United States agents concerning results of the battles in the Queretaro district.

VERA CRUZ, April 8.—Extra editions of local newspapers today announced that General Obregon's reported victory near Celaya cost Villa three thousand killed or wounded. It is officially announced that Obregon's troops are pursuing the Villa forces.

Reports of the Carranza victory caused rejoicing at his headquarters here. The ringing of church bells, music and marching bands, apprised the public of Villa's defeat.

U. S. TROOPS GUARD ELECTRIC LIGHT PLANT

BROWNSVILLE, Texas, April 8.—A squad of United States cavalry is posted about the electric light plant here today. The plant is in the neighborhood where bullets fell yesterday in small action between the Carranza and Villa troops in the trenches at west Matamoros.

WILLARD GETS WARM RECEPTION

Enthusiastic Crowds Greet Champion Through Florida and Georgia.

SAVANNAH, April 8.—The progress of Jess Willard, the worlds heavyweight champion, through Florida en route north caused continuous innovations today. Not since John L. Sullivan's day have similar scenes of excitement been created by the advent of a fighter. The trip is being made amid a succession of spontaneous receptions.

Word of Willard's approach is flashed ahead and everywhere flags and bunting are flying, hands playing and hundreds of people are waiting at stations between Daytona and Savannah. Although Willard answered every call repeatedly and with short speeches, but it was evidence that he became embarrassed by constant enthusiasm. He had wrapped his right hand in a bandage, this a rifice being adopted to evade constant handshaking. He complained that the hand which knocked out Johnson was growing sore from many shakes. Crowds greeted him at St. Augustine and Jacksonville. Before reaching Savannah, where another throng greeted him, it was reported that Willard had been offered a hundred thousand dollars for his share of theatrical receipts for the next year. Willard refused to discuss the report.

To Prohibit Prize Fights in Cuba.
HAVANA, April 8.—Senate committee tonight reported favorably on the bill to prohibit prize fighting in Cuba.

Member of Eitel's Crew Killed.
NEWPORT NEWS, Va., April 8.—A member of the crew of the Prinz Eitel Friedrich was accidentally killed on board the merchant raider today but his identity and details concerning his death were withheld by Commander Thierichens tonight.

Old "Kelley" Celebrates Slides Again.
PANAMA, April 8.—A new movement of the old Colebra cut slide on the west bank today closed the canal. Several ships are tied up. The channel will be cleared and the canal reopened tomorrow.

FESTIVAL CONCERT

Of Clifton University Will Be Given Tonight at Methodist Church.

A festival concert will be given tonight at the colored Methodist church by a company from Clifton University. The concert will begin at 8 o'clock, and promises to be interesting and enjoyable.

Superintendent Felton.
County Superintendent of Education J. B. Felton and Mrs. Felton spent Wednesday and Thursday with relatives at Townville.

SYNDICATE MAY TAKE THEATRE

OR AT LEAST THIS IS THE PLAN FOR CARING ITS INDEBTEDNESS

PRESIDENT TALKS OF PROPOSITION

Judge Fowler Gives Out Statement of Company's Affairs. What is Proposed.

Judge J. S. Fowler, president of the Anderson Development company, yesterday gave out a statement with reference to reports current on the streets regarding the financial condition of the concern that owns "The Anderson" theatre property.

President Fowler said that the Anderson Development company, a corporation with \$30,000 capital stock of which approximately \$23,000 has been paid in, was the owner of property which had cost about \$62,500, consisting of real estate, theatre, office and store building and about \$8,750 worth of fixtures; that this property had been purchased and built on very close figures and he was advised by contractors that the whole project could not be duplicated for less than \$70,000.

The company now has a revenue of about \$4,000 per annum, which is ample to pay interest charges on its bonded indebtedness and to liquidate its bonds as they mature during the next ten years. He stated that the indebtedness of the company was approximately \$38,000, composed of \$36,500 first mortgage bonds, maturing over a period of 10 years, and a floating indebtedness of approximately \$12,000, leaving a surplus value to the company stockholders of about \$25,000, or more surplus than its outstanding stock.

The company is therefore perfectly solvent, he stated, and indeed when it is considered that the company purchased its lot for \$7,000 less money than the amount at which the loan company valued the lot and that practically all building material used in the construction of the structure was purchased close to cost, and a float secured at prices 25 to 40 per cent under normal, the company really has a surplus of about \$10,000, over and above amounts paid in by its stockholders.

The company has arranged a plan, said Judge Fowler, to take care of its floating indebtedness through the operation of which each and every stockholder will have an opportunity of fully protecting his interests in the corporation. It is proposed to organize a syndicate which will take over the outstanding floating indebtedness of the company, such syndicate to be composed of stockholders in the parent company. This plan will be so arranged that any stockholder in the Anderson Development company by participating proportionately in the proposed syndicate will be able to protect his interests in the property represented by his stock.

Spartanburg Man May Get Pardon

SPARTANBURG, April 8.—Allender Gosnell, a white man sent from Spartanburg county to serve 30 years following his conviction on charge of burning the home of J. Walter Gibson at Campobello on the night of January 28 may be the first prisoner in the county to receive clemency under the administration of Governor Richard I. Manning. A request for information concerning the trial and conviction of Gosnell was received at the clerk's office. This is taken to indicate that Governor Manning has investigated the case and that a pardon or parole will be granted.

Shriners to Meet in Spartanburg

SPARTANBURG, April 8.—Spartanburg will don gala attire for the Shriners of South Carolina who come to this city April 15 for their spring ceremonial. Prizes have been offered for the best decorations and the merchants and business men of the city are entering into the contest with interest.

The largest attendance in the history of the State organization is expected. Many prominent Shriners from this and adjoining States will be present.

SPECIAL TRAINS TO BE RUN FOR SPARTANBURG FESTIVAL

SPARTANBURG, April 8.—All the railroads have announced that they will put on extra equipment and two of the roads will operate extra trains into the city next week to accommodate the visitors who will attend the festival. County school fair and the meeting of the Shriners.

FIELD AND FAIR DAY EXERCISES ON TODAY

HEAVY DOCKET FOR THE NEXT CRIMINAL COURT

JAIL IS NOW FULL OF PRISONERS AWAITING TRIAL

MURDER CASES UP

Several Matters of a Serious Nature Are to be Threshed Out—Court May 10.

The next term of the court of general sessions for Anderson county will be convened Monday May 10, and, judging from the appearance of the docket at this time, will be one of the busiest terms that has been held since the new circuit was created.

With the date of the convening of the session a month off, the county jail is already full almost to overflowing with prisoners awaiting trial. How many will be added to this number by the time court convenes, remains to be seen, of course, but it is reasonable to suppose that the "colony" will be increased by several souls before court week arrives.

There are a number of rather serious cases scheduled for trial, one of the most important of which is the case of the young white man who was brought to jail several weeks ago from Pelzer on charges of having murdered his wife by almost severing her head with a razor, following a quarrel they are said to have had. The man, it will be recalled, slashed his own throat following the attack upon his wife, and for several days his life was despaired of by the attending physician. The man has fully recovered, and will be ready for trial when court convenes.

There are several other murder cases for trial, besides a large number of defendants who are charged with offenses of a minor nature, more or less. It is confidently predicted that the court will last for the full two weeks allotted for the term, and that even with that some matters will have to be carried over to future sessions.

INDICTMENT IN OSBORNE CASE

Frank Safford, Hotel Clerk Charged With Perjury.

NEW YORK, April 8.—The first indictment resulting from the charges made by Miss Rae Tanzer against James W. Osborne and later recanted by her, was returned by the federal grand jury today against Frank Safford, a hotel clerk. The indictment charges Safford committed perjury when he identified Osborne as the man seen at the hotel and when he swore Miss Tanzer was with him then.

TWELVE KILLED BY DROPPING BOMBS

PARIS, April 8.—Twelve women and children were killed and 48 others injured by bombs dropped by Austrian aviators in the market place at Pogoritza, Montenegro yesterday, according to a Cetinje dispatch to the Havas agency. Many buildings were hit by the missiles, seven of which were dropped from one aeroplane.

SPECIAL WAR TAX IN CANADA

OTTAWA, April 8.—Special war revenue act received royal assent today and became a law. A war tax postage of one cent will have to be affixed to letters and post cards. Two cent stamps will be affixed to checks, drafts and notes, negotiated through the banks.

Chicora College Will Not Be Moved From Greenville

GREENVILLE, April 8.—Chicora College is to remain in Greenville though it could not be learned where the college will be located. There is a site already offered on Augusta street and another may be offered at the end of North Main street. It is practically decided that the college will not remain where it now is.

This information came from a meeting of the board of trustees of the college which was held Monday night, the information just getting beyond the circle of trustees yesterday and not being generally known in the city.

At its meeting Monday night, the board passed resolutions asking the Presbyteries to ignore its recommendations and vote to leave the college

HUNDREDS OF VISITORS ARE EXPECTED TO BE IN CITY TODAY

A VARIED PROGRAM

Grand Parade of School Children At 10 O'clock This Morning Will be Feature.

Fair weather prevailing, today will probably see the largest number of visitors in Anderson of any day during the past year, the occasion being the annual Anderson County School Fair and Field Day.

The forecasts call for fair weather today, and late last night all indications were that the elements would be in their good behavior for the occasion, and Anderson would see an even more successful school fair and field day than that of last year. Last night it was reported that everything was in readiness for the event, and indications were that the program prepared for the day would be carried out without a single hitch.

Special trains are to be operated by two of the railroads entering the city, while the third railroad will carry special equipment on its regular trains for the accommodation of visitors to the city today. The first of the special trains will arrive in the city about 8:30 this morning.

One of the most interesting features of the program will be the grand parade of school children which is to take place this morning at 10 o'clock. Pupils will assemble at the West Market street and the North East street schools and from these points will move to the intersection of Church and South Main streets, where the two columns will come together and march through the square.

The program for today's exercises is as follows:
10 a. m.—Grand Parade.
11:30 a. m.—Declaration contest.
11:30 to 12:30—Fencing contest.
12:30 to 1:00—Arithmetic contest.
1 to 1:30—Spelling.
1:30 to 2—Dinner.
2:30—Athletics.

MUST BUY TICKETS TO THE FESTIVAL

Disorderly Students Get Unique Sentence for Their Escapade.

SPARTANBURG, April 8.—As a penalty for their invasion of the Lester theatre Tuesday night, the 38 Wolford college students were yesterday morning sentenced by Mayor Floyd to purchase tickets to the music festival next week and to attend the five concerts.

The 38 young men appeared on the charge of disorderly conduct, following their celebration of the night before, when they marched into the Lester theatre without paying an admission fee. The court room was thronged with probably one of the biggest crowds ever gathered there in recent years, and it required some effort on the part of Mayor Floyd and the police officials to keep the gathering down to a degree of solemnity befitting the dignity of a court of justice.

BURNS DETECTIVE APPEALS TO U. S. SUPREME COURT

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Dan S. Lehon, private detective, today appealed to the supreme court from his conviction for violation of the Atlanta, Ga., ordinance requiring private detectives to be licensed. He contended that the ordinance as enforced not only deprived him of constitutional rights, but abridged the constitutional rights of Leo M. Frank by whose friends he was employed. Lehon was arrested while investigating the conviction of Frank for the murder of Mary Phagan.

where it is. This was not a constitutional meeting of the board and hence its former action was not rescinded, but the action taken will amount to the same thing. The college will remain here and the Columbia property will be sold.

The Enoree presbytery, yesterday voted to leave the college in Greenville, through the action of Harmony presbytery could not be learned. It is highly probable, however, that this presbytery also listened to the wishes of the board of trustees and also voted down the first recommendations.

So far as there being any chance of the college not remaining here, it was stated authoritatively that the college will most certainly remain in the city.