

## FRENCH WINNING AGAINST GERMANS

In Great Drive Republic's Troops Have Taken Many German Positions North Of Arras

### REPULSE CHARGE ON YPRES

British Forces Claim To Be Holding a Big Army Of Teutons In Check Till French Arrive

London.—The belligerents on both the east and west fronts are engaged in most momentous battles. The French, who already have gained possession of what was thought to be impregnable German positions north of Arras, are reported to be continuing their victorious advance, while the British are asserted to be holding a large force of Germans in their front and repulsing all German attempts to reach Ypres, which has proved the graveyard of so many thousands of men since the opposing lines were established there last autumn.

The Germans claim to have made a slight advance, but with the battle ebbing and flowing that is not considered serious in military circles here. Along toward the coast the Belgian army has repulsed an attempt of the Germans to regain the bridgehead which King Albert's forces established on the right bank of the Yser canal, while down in the Woevre another French army is pushing its offensive, and claims to have gained possession of the whole of the forest of LePretre, which would be a step nearer in the allies' aim to force the Germans to evacuate St. Mihiel.

The Austro-Germans, after their lightning-like rush through western Galicia, now have reached a line running due north and south to the west of Przemysl, while the other armies, emerging from the Carpathians, are pressing the Russian flank. Even up in Poland, it is asserted that the victory of the Teutonic allies in the south has had the effect of forcing the Russians to fall back.

### INDIAN UPRISING

Yaqui Indians In Mexico Have Attacked

Nogales, Mexico.—General Sosa, with 400 Villa troops, arrived at Esperanza, where a small American colony has been in battle with Yaqui Indians. The Indians are enraged because the Mexican factions have failed to redeem a promise to return to them lands in the Yaqui river valley.

Villa authorities here have been informed that American owners of the Yaqui valley lands about Esperanza have asked the Washington government to order a landing party from one of the American warships on the Mexican coast to go to the aid of the American colonists.

It is reported that Admiral Howard, commanding the Pacific fleet, has dispatched the cruiser New Orleans to Guaymas, from Manzanillo. Disturbances recently reported, however, have been at inland points, where aid could not be sent.

### REFUSES TO ACCEPT

King Victor Declines To Accept Resignation Of Italian-Cabinet. Act Approved

Rome.—News that King Victor Emmanuel will not accept Premier Salandra's resignation and that Salandra and Baron Sonnino, the foreign minister, will remain in power, is spreading like wildfire throughout Rome and creating an excellent impression.

All the people seem satisfied at so quick a solution of the crisis, it being believed that otherwise serious trouble was inevitable. It was asserted that the populations are determined that a night would not pass without such a demonstration of violence as would render the will of the people supreme.

### Jury Tests Thaw's Sanity

New York.—The appellate division of the supreme court decided that it would not interfere with the plans to have Harry K. Thaw's mental status placed before a jury for determination.

### In Cellar With Rats

Washington.—"Mother" Mary Jones continued her story of the Colorado coal strike before the industrial relations commission. She told of being carried away from the strike field by militiamen and of her re-arrest when she endeavored to return. She was again held, she said, for twenty days, in a cellar, with sewer rats. "Mother" Jones read a statement reviewing court decisions relating to the use of militia in strikes. "Mother" Jones is probably the best known labor agitator in the country.

## THE MOURNER



## WILSON OUTLINES POLICY WILL ACT FOR HUMANITY

DEMANDS THAT GERMANY STOP SUBMARINE WAR—STRONG MESSAGE DRAFTED

Guarantee Demanded By President That Lusitania Horror Will Not Be Repeated

Washington.—President Wilson had virtually decided on the first step in the policy which the United States government will pursue as a result of the sinking of the British liner Lusitania with the loss of more than a hundred American lives. The president will act promptly. A draft of a communication to be sent to Germany was submitted to the cabinet and approved unanimously. While no official announcement was made, it was learned that the United States would present and insist upon an explanation of the series of incidents which culminated in the proclamation of the sinking of the Falaba causing the death of Leon C. Thresher, an American citizen; the attack by German air-men on the American steamer Cushing, the torpedoing of the American steamer Guilflight and finally the destruction without warning of the Lusitania with a toll of more than a thousand lives. In what are described by those familiar with the document, as firm and unmistakable terms, the president voices the intense feeling of the United States over these happenings, and in the name of international law demands an adherence by Germany to the established rules of maritime warfare.

### WIRE FLASHES.

**Son Of Maxim Gorky Loses Arm**  
Alexander Gorky, son of Maxim Gorky, the Russian writer, was wounded while serving with the French army, and, as a result, his right arm has been amputated at the American hospital at Neuilly.

**Two Companion Bodies Discovered**  
Professor Barnard of the Yerkes observatory at Williams Bay, Wis., has discovered two companion bodies near Bellish's comet, according to an official announcement received at the Harvard observatory. One of the bodies, observed on May 12, was conspicuous and had a distance from the comet of 23 seconds, and a position angle of 285 degrees. The other body was faint and occupied an intermediate position in the same line.

**Sebastian Woman Given Freedom**  
Charles E. Sebastian, suspended chief of police, who won the mayoralty nomination, and Mrs. Lillie Pratt were acquitted at Los Angeles, Cal., of the charge of contributing to the delinquency of Edith Serkin, Mrs. Pratt's ward and half-sister. Sensational charges made against them were declared by the defense to be part of a plot against Sebastian, who was nominated for mayor while the trial was in progress.

**Zapata Leaves Mexico City**  
Vera Cruz dispatches say the Zapata forces are being withdrawn from Mexico City and that the capital is being left with practically no garrison.

**Clews Praises Wilson's Policy**  
Henry Clews, speaking at the world court congress at Cleveland praised President Wilson's efforts for peace. "While yielding to none in my life-long devotion to the principles of the Republican party," he said, "due credit must be given the present administration for its accomplishments for the cause of peace. President Wilson has done noble work."

SAYS PRESIDENT IN ADDRESS TO NATURALIZED CITIZENS IN PHILADELPHIA

Wilson Gives First Intimation Of What America's Policy Will Be

Philadelphia.—President Wilson gave to a gathering of 4,000 naturalized Americans the first intimation of the course the United States probably will pursue in the situation resulting from the loss of more than a hundred American lives on the British liner Lusitania. He spoke by implication, but his hearers interpreted his remarks as meaning that while the United States would remain at peace it would seek to convince Germany of the injustice to mankind of the tragedy.

"America," said the president, "must have the consciousness that on all sides it touches, elbows and touches kind. The example of America must be a special example. And it must be an example not merely of peace, because it will not fight, but because peace is a healing and elevating influence of the world; and strife is not."

### FIERCER FIGHTING

Desperate Struggles Take Place In Western War Theater—Flanders Scene Of Carnage

London.—Another big battle has been added to those taking place in Flanders and western Galicia, the Russians having taken the offensive in eastern Galicia, Bukowina and along the Dniester river.

According to the Russian report the Muscovites have driven the Austrians back along a 40-mile front, capturing many prisoners and making a great haul of booty. The Russians also are said to have taken energetic action against the Germans who raided their Baltic provinces and to have recaptured the town of Shavil, while in central Poland they are on the offensive along the Bzura river.

### GERMANS MOBBED

Britons Attack Germans In English Cities To Avenge Lusitania Accident

London.—The sinking of the steamer Lusitania has aroused to a violent climax the smoldering hatred and suspicion of Germans living in England. This animosity has found expression during the last twenty-four hours in attacks on Germans and their shops in London and Liverpool, while there have been minor disturbances in Manchester, Birkenhead, Glasgow and a few other places. Windows of many German shops were smashed and some shops were pillaged. The proprietors of the shops generally were driven away by angry crowds. None of the persons attacked are reported to have been seriously injured.

### Death a Beautiful Adventure

London.—"Why fear death? It is the most beautiful adventure in life," were the last words of Charles Frohman before he went down with the Lusitania, according to Miss Rita Jolivet, an American actress, with whom he was talking calmly just before the end came. Miss Jolivet, who was among the survivors taken to Queens-town, said she and Mr. Frohman were standing on deck as the Lusitania heeled over. They decided not to trust themselves to life boats, yet Mr. Frohman believed the ship doomed.

### LABOR BILL DEFEATED

Measure Was Lost By Close Vote To Create State Labor Statistics Bureau in Florida

Tallahassee.—For the fourth time in as many sessions of the legislature, the measure providing for the creation of a bureau of labor statistics has gone down in defeat. The measure was up for final passage in the house, and after an hour or more spent in discussing it it was voted down by a vote of thirty-three to twenty-one.

Representative Martin of Hillsborough and Representative Pinney of St. Lucie, as well as Representative Dancy of Duval fought hard for the bill's passage. In opposition were Representatives Harrison of Duval, Turnbull of Jefferson, Lake of Seminole and Henderson of Lee.

The measure had the endorsement of the state federation of labor, and it provided for the appointment of a commissioner to gather labor statistics, inspect the sanitary condition of factories and work shops.

For a time it appeared that the bill might be passed in amended form. An amendment striking out the appointment of a commissioner and placing the work under the jurisdiction of the commissioner of agriculture had been adopted.

### FIREMEN'S PENSION SIGNED

Governor Affixes Signature To The Measure Placing Firemen On Pension List

Tallahassee.—Governor Trammell attached his signature of approval to a bill providing for a pension fund for members of the Jacksonville fire department, and the bill appropriating \$420,000 for higher institutions of learning.

Among the bills signed was one abolishing the office of municipal judge of Plant City; an act creating the municipality of Dunedin, Pinellas county; and an act establishing the municipality of Lake Worth.

Both house and senate engaged in disposition of bills on their third reading. After lengthy argument the house killed the Marples bill regulating the telegraph and telephone offices and certain other establishments in the state.

The senate passed the Jones bill creating a state library, as well as the act relative to stock killed or injured at phosphate mines; the act to prevent payment of fraudulent claims against counties and municipalities; the act to protect hotels, innkeepers, lodging houses, boarding houses and eating houses; the act relating to the practice of pharmacy in the state; the Himes bill requiring prompt payment for labor and materials by contractors on public works.

### MAY OVERRIDE GOVERNOR

Talk Heard That Executive Veto Of New Judicial District May Be Overridden

Tallahassee.—The legislature is now confronted with its first opportunity to override a veto of the governor for the first time this session. The governor sent to the senate a message announcing his veto of a bill which created the twelfth judicial circuit and which provided for the appointment of two additional judges and a state attorney. The proposition was conceived by the Duval County Bar Association to relieve a congestion of court matters.

Because of the great volume of business the lawyers of that circuit say they have found themselves handicapped in their work to no small degree and they sought relief through the creation by the legislature of an additional circuit. The act was to provide for the cutting down of the fourth circuit to include only Duval and Nassau counties and give that circuit an additional judge, making in all three.

The Duval delegation is considering the question of whether it would be the best course to attempt to override the governor's veto or try to meet the governor's suggestions by the passage of another bill.

### Circulating Library Bill

Tallahassee.—One of the bills just passed by the house of representatives is that by Mr. Gray of Gadsden, which provides for a circulating library of fifty volumes in each county of the state, providing the respective board of public instruction see fit to carry out the provisions of the act. The bill is intended as an aid to the rural communities of the state. The library is to be sent to different districts in the county for given periods.

## GERMANY OFFERS AMERICA BARGAIN

Authorities Assert Kaiser Will Agree To Stop Submarine Warfare In Exchange For American Foodstuffs

### NO COMPROMISE FOR U. S.

Washington Diplomats Believe There Will Be No Repetition Of Lusitania Horror

Washington.—Without word from Ambassador Gerard as to Germany's attitude toward the recent American note, official Washington attached much significance to intimations in diplomatic quarters here friendly to Germany that the reply might contain an offer to suspend attacks without warning on merchant ships if the United States would renew its informal proposals for unrestricted passage of foodstuffs to German civilians.

Well informed European diplomats asserted that Germany most certainly would offer to settle the questions at issue by arbitration or diplomacy with an agreement to abandon the submarine warfare while the discussion was in progress.

Officials have been reticent in discussing the idea of arbitration or a proposal with reference to foodstuffs, but it is indicated that the situation has progressed to the point where the United States would not be likely to be satisfied with any conditional acquiescence in the American position. It was intimated, however, that if Germany accepted the American point of view, the natural tendency of the United States, of its own initiative, would be strongly to press its contention on the right to ship foodstuffs to Germany.

### CROSSED THE RUBICON

Italy Believed To Have Cast Die To Enter European Conflict On Side Of Allies

London.—The king of Italy has refused to accept the resignation of Signor Salandra, and the premier and whole war cabinet retain office. This, it is confidently believed here, foreshadows the almost immediate engagement of Italy on the side of the allies.

Action, however, may be delayed until the meeting of the chamber of deputies when the premier will announce his policy and will receive the support of the majority of the deputies. Should the expected action of Italy materialize, the allies will be in a better position than ever to launch their big offensive movement against Austria and Germany.

Popular excitement in Italy aroused by the resignation of Salandra has subsided in a large measure, and the people are awaiting decisive action. Italy is reported to have 1,700,000 soldiers ready for war, if war should come. There are reports of clashes between Austrian and Italian troops on the frontier.

### REBELS TRIUMPHANT

Portuguese Republican Revolutionists Gain Control Of Lisbon Government

Lisbon.—The success of the Revolutionary forces has been confirmed. The new government, which will be presided over by Jacobo Chagas, was proclaimed from the windows of the city hall, and the announcement was received with enthusiastic manifestations.

Complete anarchy reigns in Lisbon. Fighting in the streets continues between the mutineers and the loyal troops. The bombardment stopped, owing to a lack of ammunition. The number of persons killed or wounded is said to have been considerable.

Premier Dato announced that the Spanish battleship Espana would arrive at Lisbon to protect Spaniards and other foreigners.

### Transylvania Passes War Zone

New York.—The Anchor line steamer Transylvania passed safely through the war zone about the British Isles and arrived at Greenock, Scotland, officials of the Cunard line, to which the Transylvania was under charter, announced.

### Wilson Reviews Fleet

New York.—President Wilson, on board the naval yacht Mayflower, reached New York, completing the voyage from Washington, when the yacht, escorted by a gunboat, passed in Sandy Hook. Before the president's arrival arrangements had been completed for his review of the Atlantic fleet, which promised to be one of the greatest naval spectacles ever seen in the United States. The president wished to appear on shore for the land parade, a part of the ceremonies attending the review.