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The Bulletin's Circulation in Norwich Is Double That of Any Other Paper, and Its Total Circulation is the Largest in Connecticut in Proportion to the City's Population

TEUTONS THREATEN FORTRESS OF KOVNO

Have Captured Town of Lomza, the Russian Stronghold On the Narew

HAVE BEEN CHECKED IN THE REGION OF RIGA

Drive of the Teuton Allies Eastward and Southwestward to the North of Warsaw Still is in Progress—In the Region Between the Vistula and Bug the Muscovites Continue to Fall Back—In Belgium and France Comparative Quiet Prevails—Conflicts Between the Austrians and Italians Are Going on the Same as They Have Been for Weeks—Sir Ian Hamilton Reports a Gain on the Gallipoli Peninsula—Fourteen Deaths Are Reported as Result of Zeppelin Raid on East Coast of England—In Bavaria Eight Fatalities Were Causel by Aircraft of Allies—Two British Warships Sunk.

DISTANCES IN RUSSIA

	Miles
Berlin to Warsaw	398
Vienna to Warsaw	438
Warsaw to Petrograd	693
Warsaw to Moscow	811
Warsaw to Odessa	842
Warsaw to German front in France	900

Except in the region of Riga, where the Germans evidently have been checked, the German and Austrian hosts are still moving forward against the Russians in their efforts to drive them from the Baltic provinces and Poland. Their progress is not being made unhindered, however, Muscovites continue to fight them viciously at various points in rear guard battles.

Capture of Russian Stronghold.

Lomza, the Russian stronghold on the Narew in the government of Lomza, has been captured, the fortress of Kovno is being threatened and Vilna, capital of the same name and which lies some 225 miles northeast of Warsaw, is being evacuated by the civilian population.

The drive of the Teuton allies eastward and southeastward to the north of Warsaw, directly east of that city and to the south on the east bank of the Vistula, still is in progress, while in the region between the Vistula and the Bug and along the Vieprz the Russians continue to fall back before the oncoming Teutonic allies.

Nothing Material in France.

Field Marshal Sir John French, the British commander in the west, announces the avacuation of a slight portion of the terrain captured near Hooge, Belgium, Monday. This, he says, makes no material difference in the British line as the other captured positions have been consolidated and are being held. Elsewhere on the line in Belgium and France comparative quiet prevails.

Austrian-Italian Struggles

Artillery engagements and infantry attacks by the Italians and Austrians on the Austro-Italian frontier are going on in the same manner as they have been for weeks past, with each side claiming victories or repulses of attacks at isolated points.

Allies Gain on Gallipoli.

For the allies on the Gallipoli peninsula General Sir Ian Hamilton reports a gain, with severe casualties to the Turks, of two hundred yeards over a front of three hundred yards near Kristsia, the capture of a hill near Saribar and a new landing of allied forces at some unnamed point on the peninsula. Constantinople admits two landings by the allies. One of these was north of Ari Burnu, where "a slight advance' was made near the head of the Gulf of Saros. Here the allies are declared to have dispersed.

Airships are Active.

The Germans have launched another air raid on the east coast of England with Zeppelin airships and allied airmen have attcked with bombs two towns in Bavaria. In the raid on England fourteen persons are said to have been killed and fourteen injured, while in one of the Bavarian towns eight were killed and two wounded. A Zeppelin which had been engaged in the operation against England was destroyed by allied airmen at Ostend.

British Warships Sunk.

Two vessels of the British navy have met with disaster. The auxiliary cruiser India has been sent to the bottom off the Swedish coast by a German submarine and the torpedo boat destroyer Lynx has been sunk in the North Sea by coming in contact with a mine.

FORTRESS OF LOMZA FALLS TO GERMANS

Held Relative Position on Northeast of Warsaw Ivangorod Did on Southeast.

London, Aug. 10, 5.37 p. m.—Lomza, the strong fortress holding the same relative position on the northeast flank of Warsaw as Ivangorod on the southeast, fell into German hands today, the outlying defenses having been taken by assault yesterday.

The Russians still hold Ostrow, some 25 miles to the southward of Lomza, but their only purpose in holding it is to delay as long as possible the advance of the victorious Germans and enable the Russian armies to get clear of the widespread net in which the Teutons are trying to envelop the forces of the Grand Duke Nicholas.

That the Russians are getting ready for a further retreat seems clear from the news that preparations are making for the evacuation of the important city of Vilna. This information was quite unexpected in London, as the latest official bulletins from Petrograd conveyed the impression that the German rush in that quarter had been stemmed.

The sudden change of front indicates that developments must have supervened to induce the Russians to surrender the railroad junction.

TURKISH TROOPS DISPERSE FORCES OF ENTENTE ALLIES

Report Considerable Success Near Seddul Bahr.

Constantinople, Aug. 10, via London, 6.25 p. m.—Turkish troops completely dispersed forces which the entente allies landed near Karachali on the north of the Gulf of Saros in Dardanells operations on Saturday night, according to an official statement issued by the Turkish war department Monday. Troops landed north of Ari Burnu made a slight advance under protection of the Anglo-French fleet, the statement adds.

The text of the statement is as follows:

"In the Dardanelles on Saturday night under the protection of the fleet the enemy landed a part of his new forces in the environs of Karachali, on the north of the Gulf of Saros and the remainder on two points north of Ari Burnu. We dispersed completely the enemy forces which landed near Karachali, which left behind some 20 dead.

"North of Ari Burnu the troops which landed made a slight advance under the protection of the fleet. We repelled attacks and took some soldiers and officers prisoners.

"We achieved considerable success near Seddul Bahr in beating back attacks."

CAMPAIGN AGAINST SONGS OF HATE

Started by Cologne Volks Zeitung, a Catholic Organ.

Berlin, Aug. 10, via London, 10:36 p. m.—A campaign against Ernest Lissauer's song expressing hatred for England has been started by the Cologne Volks Zeitung, a Catholic organ, which demands the exclusion of the song from books intended for the young. The paper declares it would be a portentous condition, if, at a time of international bitterness, even the youth of a nation were taught to cherish hatred.

The Berliner Tageblatt and other influential newspapers have endorsed the demand voiced by the Volks Zeitung.

Herr Lissauer, author of the Chant of Hate, was decorated by Emperor William with the Order of the Red Eagle of the fourth class after his song was published in a Munich trade weekly.

EIGHT KILLED IN ALLIED AIR RAID AT SANKT INGBERT.

Two Were Wounded—Other Towns in Bavaria Were Bombed.

Berlin, via London, Aug. 10, 8.40 p. m.—An official communication issued here today tells of an allied air raid Monday over Zweibruscken and Sankt Ingbert, Bavaria. Eight persons were killed and two wounded in the latter town.

The communication says: "Monday forenoon from six to eight enemy aeroplanes attacked Zweibruecken and Sankt Ingbert, which are outside the military district. From 15 to 20 bombs were dropped on Zweibruecken, causing only unimportant material damage. At Sankt Ingbert, eight persons were killed and two wounded."

OBITUARY.

Prof. Thomas Bliss Stillman.

Jersey City, N. J., Aug. 10.—Prof. Thomas Bliss Stillman, city chemist of Jersey City, Hoboken and Bayonne and for many years a member of the faculties of Stevens Institute and Rutgers collegefi died at his home here today, after an illness of several weeks. He was 63 years old.

Danbury Carpenter Crushed to Death.

Danbury, Conn., Aug. 10.—Benjamin F. Butler, aged 70, a carpenter, was crushed to death today while working in an old building that was being demolished in Main street. A chimney toppled upon him, burying him under the mass of wreckage. He is survived by his widow.

Electric fans have made it possible for churches and theaters in Southern India to remain open all summer.

Cabled Paragraphs

Three Trawlers Sunk.

London, Aug. 10.—The trawlers Westminster, Harbor Wiper and Benardna have been sunk. The members of the crews of all three were saved except two men on the Benardna.

Song Writer Dead.

London, Aug. 11, 2.06 a. m.—Edwin Green, composer of several songs which gained world-wide popularity, died tonight at the age of 58 years. He had been an invalid nearly half his life.

Capt. Clive Wounded.

London, Aug. 10, 4.26 a. m.—Captain Percy Archer Clive, a member of parliament for Herefordshire, Rose division, has been seriously wounded in Flanders by the explosion of a German mine.

Norwegian Steamer Sent to Bottom.

London, Aug. 10, 8.43 p. m.—A despatch to Reuter's Telegram company from Copenhagen says that the Norwegian steamer Gieranger of Bergen has been sunk. The members of her crew were landed by a Dutch fishing boat.

The Geiranger was a vessel of 1031 gross tons. She was built in 1907.

AMERICAN REPLY ON SINKING OF THE FRYE

Cabled to Berlin—Will Be Given Out for Publication Saturday.

Washington, Aug. 10.—The American reply to the last German note regarding the sinking of the American ship William P. Frye was cabled to Berlin tonight and probably will be given out for publication Saturday.

While the original position of the state department that the Prussian-American treaty of 1828 was violated by the destruction of the vessel is reaffirmed, it is understood that the United States agrees to accept payment for the Frye under the conditions suggested in the last German note, obviating an appeal to arbitration at The Hague. Germany stipulates that payment shall not involve admission of a treaty violation; the American note is said to stipulate that no treaty rights are waived by acceptance. The amount to be paid will be fixed by two commissioners, one appointed by each government. The German position, as outlined in the last note, is that payment of indemnity for ships destroyed is all that the treaty contemplates. The United States contends that any American ship, even if laden with contraband, is protected from destruction by article 13 of the treaty, although it is not claimed that a contraband cargo would be so protected.

Germany has held that since the sinking of ships is not specifically prohibited in the treaty, principles of international law must govern each case, the treaty being satisfied by payment. The new American note is understood to reject this view.

A German prize court in July held the Berlin government liable under treaty for payment for the Frye. The amount was not fixed as the United States had entered no specific claim for damages.

DEMANDS OF UNIONS ON BRIDGEPORT FIRMS

Thursday is Date Set for a Definite Reply from Locomobile and Lake Plants.

Bridgeport, Conn., Aug. 10.—President W. H. Johnston of the International Association of Machinists, arrived here tonight to take charge of the strike situation for the next three days. Thursday is the date set for a definite reply to the demands made by the unions on the Locomobile plant and the Lake Torpedo Boat company, which is rushed with contracts for submarines for the United States government. Demands will be made tomorrow on the American and British company, which has large war contracts. Both the Lake and American-British plants are partly on the eight hour basis because of the federal contracts. Eight hours in all departments and increased pay is asked.

Mr. Johnston said tonight that the greatest trouble was in keeping the men from quitting rather than getting them to go out on strike and that he came here to "keep peace in the family." He expressed himself as optimistic regarding the granting of the demands. Tomorrow he will call off a conference which was to have been held in New York.

BRITISH WITHDRAWN FROM LINE SOUTH OF HOOGE.

Violent Artillery Engagement Made the Ground Untenable.

London, Aug. 10, 8.10 p. m.—Sir John French, commander-in-chief of the British forces in France and Belgium, in a report given out today by the official press bureau, says the British troops have slightly withdrawn from their line south of Hooge, near Ypres, but have consolidated the village of Hooge. The report of Field Marshal French follows:

"Northwest of Hooge, and in the ruins of the village itself, we have consolidated the ground gained yesterday, repulsing onee weak infantry attack during the night. Yesterday afternoon there was no infantry fighting, but there was a violent artillery engagement, as a result of which all the trenches in the open ground south of Hooge became untenable by either side, and we have now slightly withdrawn the position of our line which lay south of the village.

"This makes no material difference to our position.

"The total number of prisoners captured by us yesterday was 150."

Touring Car at Bottom of River.

York Beach, Me., Aug. 10.—The discovery of a large touring car bottom up in the York river, where it had landed after plunging off what is known as Rice's bridge, led the police to drag the river today in an unsuccessful effort to locate the occupants of the machine. The car was later identified by Sheriff Jones of Biddeford as having been stolen in that city.

Only Mine Sweepers Lost at Riga.

Amsterdam, Aug. 11, via London, 3.40 a. m.—Replying to the Russian report of a naval attack against the Gulf of Riga by a German fleet of great strength, a semi-official statement issued in Berlin states that no great action was undertaken but that German warships merely were reconnoitering to determine the position of Russian mines. It is asserted that two small mine sweepers were the only vessels lost.

$50,000,000 Gold From England

ON SPECIAL TRAIN FROM HALIFAX TO NEW YORK

25 TRUCKS WITH GUARDS

Will Transfer the Gold to the Subtreasury in Wall Street—American Express Company Handling the Treasure.

New York, Aug. 10.—The value of the gold shipment from England to New York, now on its way here from Halifax, by special train, is $50,000,000, according to R. E. A. Cowie, vice president and general manager of the American Express company, which has the shipment in charge. Mr. Cowie said the shipment was expected to arrive here tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock.

Special Guards for Trucks.

Twenty-five motor trucks with special guards will transfer the gold to the sub-treasury in Wall street. There has been much speculation in financial circles today as to the value of the shipment, which was variously reported to be from $15,000,000 to $100,000,000. J. P. Morgan and Company the consignees, refused to give any information regarding the amount or the purposes for which it is to be used.

ARRESTED FOR THEFTS FROM WELLS FARGO CO.

Detectives Claim to Have Uncovered System Which Filched Merchandise Valued at Nearly $020,000.

Chicago, Aug. 10.—With three men under arrest here today, one of whom is said to have confessed, detectives for the Wells Fargo Express company claim to have uncovered a system of thefts through which the company has been robbed of merchandise totalling nearly $200,000 within the last twelve years.

The men under arrest are: Frank Wilson, who is alleged to have disposed of the stolen goods; Benjamin Watkins, an employe of the express company and a man known to the police only as the "mysterious man" who is said to have traveled under as many as twenty aliases.

Watkins was employed by the United States Express company which was absorbed by the Wells Fargo more than a year ago. For eleven years previous to that time, detectives said, the United States company had been losing an average of $2,000 worth of goods a month. Watkins remained in the service when the United States company was absorbed.

Packages containing valuables would be wrapped into one large parcel by Watkins, it was charged, and addressed to the "mysterious man" at some suburb of Chicago, where it would be claimed by him under the alias which happened to be on the label.

HEAVY RAINS DAMAGE BAY STATE CROPS

Potato Crop Practically Destroyed—Loss Will Amount to Millions.

Boston, Aug. 10.—The crops of Massachusetts have sustained damages amounting to millions of dollars by the heavy rains of the past six weeks, according to an official report by Wilfred Wheeler, secretary of the state board of agriculture, who returned today from an inspection trip.

Mr. Wheeler stated that the potato crop in the state had been practically destroyed, and that the hay crop is less than half of that of a normal year.

Other crops that have sustained serious damage are squash, cranberry and tobacco. The outlook in the Connecticut valley for onions and tobacco is discouraging, said Mr. Wheeler.

SEVERAL ROBBERS HELD MORE THAN 100 CITIZENS AT BAY

While Others of the Band Blew Open Vault of a Bank at Maple Hill, Kas.

Maple Hill, Kas., Aug. 10.—Several robbers held more than one hundred citizens at bay today while others of the band blew open the vault of the Maple Hill state bank and escaped with $3,000. It is believed there were seven men concerned.

The first explosion aroused citizens, who when they reached the street were met by armed men and forced to remain quiet until six charges of the explosive had been fired.

When the vault had been rifled the robbers disappeared.

COUPLE FOUND UNCONSCIOUS IN A ROOMING HOUSE

Joseph Peletti of East Haddam and Anna Henry of Moodus.

Middletown, Conn., Aug. 10.—Joseph Peletti, aged 23, of East Haddam, a chauffeur, and Anna Henry, aged 16, of Moodus, were found unconscious in a rooming house late today with gas pouring from an open jet. They were taken to a hospital, where it was said that the girl's condition was critical. Peletti will recover. The police searched for the girl, upon complaint of her mother, and the door of the room was broken in. The police believe that the gas was turned on accidentally.

Work On Model Town Begun.

Seward, Alaska, Aug. 10.—Actual work on the government addition to the town of Seward, the platting of which is finished, was begun today by the Alaska Engineering commission with the clearing of grounds for streets and the building of tracks into the railway terminal yards. Workmen who began constructing a sea bulkhead along the new additional water front.

Enlisted for Civil War at 13.

Ellwood City, Pa., Aug. 10.—Henry Parker, aged 68, who claimed to have been the youngest enlisted soldier from Pennsylvania and one of the youngest from any part of the union to serve during the Civil war, is dead at his home here. He was 13 years and 8 months old when he enlisted. He was wounded five times, once seriously.

Austro-Hungarian Views Rejected

NOTE TO VIENNA DEFINING STATUS OF NEUTRALITY

ABOUT WAR SUPPLIES

Defends Right of American Exporters to Send Munitions to Belligerents Able to Purchase and Receive Them.

Washington, Aug. 10.—The United States government today despatched to Vienna a reply rejecting the Austro-Hungarian views recently set forth in a note contending that the great scale on which war munitions are being exported from America to enemies of the Germanic allies "is not in consonance with the definition of neutrality."

The note was cabled to Ambassador Penfield, who probably will present it to the Vienna foreign office Thursday.

Flat Repudiation of Allegations.

Though framed in diplomatic language, and entirely friendly in tone, the reply is understood to repudiate flatly the suggestion that the United States has permitted violations of neutrality and to stand firmly upon the right of American exporters to send war supplies to belligerents able to purchase and receive them. The United States always has held that this is an unquestioned right under international law, and high officials here pointed out that to prevent such shipments to one country because another was not in a position to receive them would in itself be a violation of neutrality. Precedents also have been recalled where in previous wars Germany and Austria imported arms extensively.

What Austria Wanted.

The Austro-Hungarian note, handed to Ambassador Penfield on June 29, was a lengthy document, setting forth the views of that government and suggesting that the United States might redress the state of things complained of by informing the enemies of Austro-Hungary that the supply of foodstuffs and war material to them would be suspended unless legitimate trade in these articles between Americans and neutral countries was permitted.

According to Berlin despatches, this complaint was sent after a conference between the Austro-Hungarian and German foreign offices.

Similar notes, it was said, will be sent to the United States by Germany and Turkey.

FIVE MEN SEVERELY BURNED BY AN EXPLOSION

At the Factory of the Canadian Explosive Company.

Montreal, Aug. 10.—Five men were severely burned and cut by flying glass in an explosion today at the factory of the Canadian Explosive company at Beloeil, 21 miles from here. Dr. Hirschberg, chemist, was among the injured, all of whom were brought to a hospital here.

Officials of the company state the cause of the explosion is not known, but tiey express the opinion it was entirely accidental. Little damage was done to the building.

DETECTIVES SEARCHING FOR MISSING HARTFORD GIRL

Left to Visit Relatives in New York on Monday—Not Seen Since.

Hartford, Conn., Aug. 10.—Private detectives and the police are searching for Miss Elvira Guidone, 15 years old, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. R. F. Guidone, who left on a train for New York on Monday and who has not been seen since. The girl was to meet relatives in New York, but she was not on the train when it arrived. She formerly lived there and was familiar with the city. Her parents are prostrated. The police tonight said they were at a loss to account for her disappearance.

SLIPPED FROM A ROWBOAT AND WAS DROWNED

Warren Johnson, 20, an Employe at a Bass Hatchery in New Preston.

New Preston, Conn., Aug. 10.—While hauling in a net at Lake Waramaug today, Warren Johnson, aged 20, an employe at the bass hatchery, slipped from a rowboat into the water and was drowned. He was lame and unable to swim. Another employe of the hatchery saw the accident from the distance and rowed to the spot, but Johnson did not reappear. The body is in about 45 feet of water. Efforts were made for several hours to recover the body, but without success.

OFFICERS OF CATHOLIC TOTAL ABSTINENCE UNION

Thomas E. McCloskey of Danbury Elected Secretary.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Aug. 10.—The Very Rev. Peter J. O'Callaghan of Chicago was reelected president of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of America at the closing session of the 45th annual convention here tonight. The other officers elected were:

First vice president, Rev. D. J. Kane, Hazelton, Pa.; second vice president, William H. Cuddy, Boston; third vice president, Mrs. Delia Hackett, New York; secretary, Thomas E. McCloskey, Danbury, Conn., and treasurer, Rev. J. V. Moylan, Nanticoke, Pa.

Lightning Ignites Oil.

Tulsa, Okla., Aug. 10.—A severe electrical storm last night caused a loss of more than $250,000 in the oil fields near Tulsa. The sky was illumined for miles by burning oil tanks. The Gulf Pipe Line company lost two 55,000 barrel tanks and six 1,600 barrel tanks. Many other losses also were reported by various oil companies.

Spanish Prince a Bankrupt.

New York, Aug. 10.—Prince Ludovic d'Aaragon Pignatelli, of Spain, formerly secretary of the Spanish legation at Washington, today filed a voluntary petition of bankruptcy in the Federal district court, Brooklyn. The prince gave his liabilities as $26,546 and his assets as $887, of which only 28 cents is in cash.

Condensed Telegrams

Canadian war casualties to date total 10,680.

The London Stock Exchange will be closed Saturday, August 14.

Ten vessels are held up at the Panama Canal by the slide in the Gaillard cut.

The International Immigration Congress opened its session at San Francisco.

Both Holland and Denmark are in the American market for war munitions.

The American Smelting & Refining Co. reduced the price of lead from 5 to 4 3-4 cents.

Detachments of sailors and marines have suppressed three revolutionary outbreaks in Hayti.

An order for 10,000 tons of steel rais was received by the Maryland Steel Co., from Russia.

Dave Anderson, Harry Paterson, and C. E. Barlow, honor convicts in the penitentiary at Joliet, Ill., escaped.

The Kaiser has conferred the iron cross on Director Heinkin of the North German Lloyd Steamship Co.

Treasury Controller George E. Downey, of Indiana, was appointed associate justice of the Court of Claims.

Railway lines destroyed by the Russians in their retreat from Poland are being repaired by the Germans.

Captain Victor del Sanctis of the Italian army arrived at New York to purchase war supplies for the Italian army.

Governor Whitman motored to Plattsburgh, N. Y., where he will be the guest of Superintendent of Prisons Riley.

Richard Kimball Powers, of Lancaster, Mass, who voted at 21 presidential elections, died at the age of 104 years.

Great Britain ordered 400 boats for coast patrol of a type smaller than the 550 now being built by the Electric Boat Co.

Nearly 100 prominent business and professional men of Philadelphia left for the officers' training camp at Plattsburgh, N. Y.

Rev. John E. Erskine, a well known Presbyterian minister and a classmate of William J. Bryan, died at Thompson Ridge, N. Y.

All the sufferers of last Tuesday's flood at Erie, Pa., are being cared for by a relief committee. The fund for the work is over $25,000.

Exportation of coal to countries other than British possessions will be allowed firms making the shipments obtaining special licenses.

Harvey Pierce, 30 years old, was electrocuted while working on top of a telepgraph pole at Nostrand and Flatbush Avenues, Brooklyn.

Mayor Mitchel of New York, is at the officers' training camp at Plattsburgh, N. Y., where he expects to remain for two weeks in training.

Prince Joachim sixth son of the Kaiser, will rule a new independene kingdom, to be formed of the Russian territory captured by the Germans.

In the Kentucky primaries, A. O. Stanley, Democrat, E. P. Morrow, Republican, and Fred J. Drexler, Progressive were nominated for Governor.

Lassen volcano in California is expected to remain quiet for a long time, having expended most of its energy during the eruptions in May.

Pope Benedict has sent a large sum of money to be used for the relief of Catholics in East Prussia whose homes were destroyed by the Russian invasion.

Since the convening of the Russian Duma, the government has been openly accused of corruption, incompetency and treachery, according to reports from Petrograd.

Takaaki Kato, who was foreign minister in the Japanese Cabinet which retred last month, was appointed by the Emperor a member of the House of Peers.

What are described as remarkable cures of wounded French soldiers have been affected by the new polyvalent serum, discovery of which was announced last March.

Thomas A. Edison has taken the fire whistle from his West Orange, N. J., factory. Mothers said babies leaped from their crudles when they heard the blast of the whistle.

Incorporation papers were filed with the Secretary of State by the Mercantile Bank of the Americas, Incorporated, of Hartford. Authorized capital stock is $5,000,000. It starts business with $400,000 capital stock.

In an open letter issued by the Papal Secretary of State, Cardinal Gasparri, Bishop of Padua is given clerical jurisdiction over the Roman Catholic parishes in the portions of Trentino occupied by Italian troops.

Between 300 and 400 members of the Massachusetts Permanent Firemen's Association representing practicall every city in the state convened at Lowell, Mass., in their third annual convention.

The New Milford Cold Rolled Steel Company of New Milford, filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States District court, showing liabilities of $38,342.05 and assets of less Statesl,ot now is the time for all good than $2,000.

Brewster Davenport of Boston, who has been serving in the American Ambulance Corps in France, returned on the steamer Rochembeau, said that the outlook for the poor people of France, the coming winter, is serious and that there is bound to be much suffering.

Americans expecting to enter the United Kingdom were advised in a statements made by the state department to comply with the provisions of the provisions of the British registration act which Ambassado r Page cabled and which requires all aliens to register within 28 days after their arrival.

BATTLESHIPS SPEED TO VERA CRUZ

Louisiana and the New Hampshire Sailed From Newport Last Night

SUPPLIES AND COAL WERE HUSTLED ABOARD

Serious Anti-foreign Demonstrations Were Reported to Washington Government From Vera Cruz—Villa Crosses Border and Meets General Scott at El Paso—Cavalrymen and Mexicans in Skirmish Near Mercedes, Texas—Cases of Death From Starvation in Mexico City Are Daily Reported to Red Cross Officials—Military Authorities Refuse to Allow Food to Enter the City.

Newport, R. I., Aug. 10.—The battleship Louisiana, flagship of the fourth division of the Atlantic fleet, sailed tonight for Vera Cruz, Mexico. The crew had spent the day loading supplies and coal, after receiving orders from Washington to be prepared to leave at a moment's notice.

The battleship New Hampshire also sailed tonight.

PRESIDENT WILSON TO PROTECT FOREIGNERS.

Keeping Informed of the Situation At Vera Cruz.

Cornish, N. H., August 10.—President Wilson was in communication today with Secretary Lansing regarding a request from Commander McNamee that a battleship squadron be sent to Vera Cruz to protect Americans and was understood to be inclined to grant the request.

The president shortly after noon sent a code dispatch to Secretary Lansing containing instructions for Secretary Daniels regarding the Vera Cruz situation.

While the contents of the message was carefully guarded, it was understood the president's first step had been to ask for additional information. It was said here the president would take action within the next few hours. He was impressed with the word from Vera Cruz, and it was expected steps would be taken to protect Americans and other foreigners in case of trouble.

Soon after the receipt by the president of word regarding the Vera Cruz situation, it became known that he was planning to return to Washington in the near future. He had almost given his consent to making the return trip by auto but today gave up the idea.

It was said the president's plan to return to Washington was not due to any one particular question, but that he is convinced his presence in the capital is required by a press of official business. He now expects to be in Washington in time for a cabinet meeting Friday.

DEATHS BY STARVATION IN MEXICAN CAPITAL.

Military Authorities Refuse to Allow Food to Enter the City.

Mexico City, July 31, via Vera Cruz, Aug. 8, and Laredo, Texas, Aug. 10.—(Delayed in Transmission.)—Eight deaths by starvation, all children, were reported by the police station of the Second ward today. The general hospital also reported deaths by starvation, although the number was not made public.

A police court record in the Second ward was brought to the attention of the American Red Cross representatives today as illustrative of the extreme misery prevailing among the lower classes because of the want of food.

A woman was brought into court charged with stealing a dog. The magistrate listened to the story of the complainant and then to the defendant, whose plea was that the animal was stolen for the purpose of killing it and feeding it to her children. The judge dismissed the accused.

Despite the distressing conditions, the Red Cross representatives and the foreign relief societies have been able to do very little because the military authorities refuse to allow food to enter the city.

Red Cross officials now have a supply of beef and beans sufficient for 750,000 liters of soup. Already applications have come from 60,000 persons, and the present supply will last no longer than a fortnight.

Cases of death of starvation are being daily reported to the Red Cross headquarters. A number of deaths have been reported from an orphan home here and patients in other state institutions are said to be slowly dying because of mal-nutrition.

Skirmish With Mexicans.

Brownsville, Texas, Aug. 10. —United States cavalrymen and Mexicans fought again today, this time near Mercedes, Texas. One Mexican was killed. None of the troopers was reported hurt.

The fight today was west of the scene of the previous Mexican raids, and closer to the border, occurring about twenty-five miles north of the Rio Grande. It was in Hidalgo County, while the previous fighting has been in Cameron County.

Six United States cavalrymen were on the border patrol duty, near Mercedes, when the Mexicans attacked attacked them. The soldiers captured four horses from the attacking party. Parties of armed farmers and merchants have gone from Mercedes and other nearby towns to try to capture some of the Mexicans.

Attitude at Vera Cruz Vexes.

Washington, Aug. 10.—Serious anti-foreign demonstrations reported today to the Washington government from Vera Cruz gave state and navy department officials considerable concern, particularly in view of the Pan-American conference to be resumed in New York tomorrow to devise means for restoring peace in Mexico.

Villa Sees General Scott.

El Paso, Tex., Aug. 10.—Gen. Hugh L. Scott, chief of staff of the United States army, has accomplished his mission to the border. At noon today the following statement was issued:

"Gen. Villa assured me during our interview that the proposed meeting of mining men will be postponed indefinitely. The foreign merchandise seized in Chihuahua last week will be restored. Violations of the law, however will be prosecuted. My mission here is now accomplished."

Gen. Francisco Villa crossed the international border today and entered into a conference with Gen. Scott at the home of J. F. Williams. Gen. Scott is a guest of Mr. Williams.

PRESIDENT TO RETURN TO WASHINGTON FRIDAY

Back For the Cabinet Meeting On Mexican Situation.

Cornish, N. H., Aug. 10.—After the receipt today of official reports regarding the Mexican situation, President Wilson decided to return to Washington within the next forty-eight hours. He will be back in time for the cabinet meeting Friday.

The president was in communication throughout the day with Secretary Lansing and other officials regarding the request from Commander McNamee of the United States navy that a battleship squadron be sent to Vera Cruz. While he sent messages to Washington, the president refused to make any comment. It was believed, however, that he had directed that that further information be obtained regarding the situation at Vera Cruz. In Washington the president will receive reports regarding the progress of the Mexican conference to be resumed in New York tomorrow.

Although it is known that the president desires to be back in the capital principally to watch the Mexican situation more closely it was said here tonight that his decision to return also was brought about by other official business.

On his trip to Washington the president will be accompanied only by Dr. Cary T. Grayson, a stenographer and secret service men. Members of his family will remain here.

TO ARRANGE DETAILS OF MEXICAN PEACE PLAN.

Conference of Central and South American Representatives Resumes Today.

New York, Aug. 10.—With the reassembling here tomorrow of the ambassadors and ministers of six Central and South American governments and the secretary of state of the United States, a definite inter-American effort will be put into operation to re-establish peace in Mexico by friendly means and to restore the revolution-torn country to its accustomed place in the American family of nations.

The conference will be concerned with final details of the first step in a plan the important features of which were unanimously agreed upon last week by the ambassadors from Brazil, Chile and Argentina and the ministers from Bolivia, Guatemala and Uruguay and Secretary Lansing.

First and foremost, the plan contemplates a supreme appeal to the consciences of the Mexican leaders of all factions and political groups. It has been prepared and, after minor changes in phraseology are discussed tomorrow, probably will be despatched weeks—being allowed for answers to be received.

The appeal will be brief, politely phrased, and transmitted in Spanish as originally written by one of the diplomats. It will show clearly that the several governments whose ambassadors and ministers, along with the secretary of state, sign it, have no purpose to interfere in the strictly internal affairs of Mexico, to impair her sovereignty or to show preference for one leader as against another.

ADHERENTS OF HUERTA ARRESTED IN TEXAS

21 Waived Examination and Were Held in Default of $24,000 Bond.

El Paso, Texas, Aug. 10.—Twenty-one filibusters and alleged adherents of General Victoriano Huerta, arrested last week near Fort Hancock, Texas, today waived examination before United States Commissioner Oliver. The men were detained in default of $24,000 total bond, pending the action of the grand jury in October.

Convention of Archery Association.

Chicago, Aug. 10.—With 256 contestants entered, the thirty-seventh annual tournament of the National Archery Association opened today on the Washington Park range. Mrs. Burton Payne Gray of Newton Center, Mass., who won the woman's national championship last year, will not be able to defend her title. Prominent archers from all parts of the country are attending the tournament. Play will continue until Friday.

Tennessee Sails for Haiti.

Philadelphia, Aug. 10.—Carrying 860 marines, the United States cruiser Tennessee sailed from the Philadelphia navy yard today for Haiti. Colonel L. W. T. Waller and his staff, who will assume command of all the United States marines in Haiti was on board with his staff. The Tennessee carries enough supplies for a three months' campaign.

10,000 Insurance Men In Convention.

San Francisco, Aug. 10.—Nearly 10,000 life insurance men from all parts of the country gathered here at the opening today of a three days' convention of the National Association of Life Underwriters.