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The Bulletin.
Norwich, Friday, April 26, 1918.

THE WEATHER.

Showery weather is indicated in the Washington forecast district for the south Atlantic states, the Ohio and the upper lake region Friday. It is expected that the rain area will overspread the middle Atlantic states, the lower lake region and southern New England on Saturday.

It will be warmer in Atlantic coast districts Friday and cooler in the east gulf states and Tennessee.

Winds for Friday and Saturday: North and Middle Atlantic—Moderate northwest and fair weather.

Focesast.

Southern New England: Fair and somewhat warmer Friday; Saturday partly cloudy, probably rain in Connecticut.

Observations in Norwich.

The following records, reported from Sevin's pharmacy, show the changes in temperature and the barometric changes Thursday:

	Ther.	Bar.
7 a. m.	39	30.16
12 m.	52	30.20
6 p. m.	56	30.17

Highest 66, lowest 39.

Comparisons.

Predictions for Thursday: Fair.

Thursday's weather: Fair, northwest wind.

Sun, Moon and Tides.

Day.	Sun Rises.	Sun Sets.	High Water.	Moon Sets.
	a. m.	p. m.	a. m.	a. m.
22 ...	5.59	7.34	8.24	3.58
23 ...	5.57	7.35	9.05	4.22
24 ...	5.56	7.36	9.44	4.46
25 ...	5.54	7.38	10.21	5.11
26 ...	5.53	7.39	10.59	Rises.
27 ...	5.52	7.40	11.37	9.23
28 ...	5.51	7.41	12.16	10.22

Six hours after high water it is low tide, which is followed by flood tide.

GREENEVILLE

Ladies' Charitable Society to Abandon Refreshments During War—Heard and Seen.

Thursday afternoon the Ladies' Charitable society of St. Mary's church met at the home of Mrs. F. W. Gordon at 36 Twelfth street to sew and knit for the Red Cross. There was a good attendance and much work was done for the Red Cross. Light refreshments were served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. James Walsh.

After the work hour a business meeting was held. It was voted to refrain from serving refreshments at the meetings of the society during the duration of the war in pursuance of a request expressed in a letter from Mrs. Albert H. Chase a member of the State Council of Defense. Another letter from Mrs. Chase was also read calling the attention to a meeting of the women's organizations of the city to be held in the town hall on May 2. As many of the ladies of the society as possible will meet at the Red Cross rooms from 10 to 12 each Wednesday morning for work. The society also voted to fill comfort bags for the soldiers. The next meeting of the society will be held at the home of Mrs. D. Riley, No 229 Central avenue.

FUNERAL.

Mrs. Thomas Smith.

The funeral of Selina Dickenson, widow of the late Thomas Smith was held from the home of her daughter, Mrs. T. J. Donovan, at 29 Durfey street, Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. W. A. Smith of St. Andrew's church officiated. There was a large attendance and many beautiful flowers. The bearers were four sons-in-law, James Hyland, Robert Partington, John Morton and T. Joseph Donovan. Burial was in the Ames cemetery in Lisbon, where Rev. Mr. Smith read a committal service at the grave.

Undertaker C. A. Gager, Jr., was in charge of the funeral arrangements.

Drilling For Parade.

Thursday the children of the Greeneville Grammar School had further practice for the parade today. The drummers for the parade will be Herbert Houston, William Semple, William Kendall, Fred Haslum and Herbert Scott. The parochial school children also had drill during the afternoon.

Heard and Seen.

A number of the stores around the village have special window displays in honor of Liberty Loan day.

George Edmonson, chief motorman of the Shore Line Electric company has moved from Division street to St. Regis avenue.

The prize winning exhibits of the Junior Economics club are on exhibition in the store of J. W. Semple on Central avenue.

There will be no sessions of the local schools today. The pupils will assemble at the school at noon for the march to the city.

The pupils at the Greeneville school who were perfect in attendance for the past month were dismissed early Thursday afternoon.

TAFTVILLE

Liberty Bond Subscriptions in Mill Near $40,000 Mark—Village Notes.

Agent F. B. Ricketson of the Ponemah company has offered a silver cup to the department in the mill which scores the highest number of points in a contest based on subscriptions to the third Liberty loan. Up to Thursday the subscriptions totalled $38,450 almost twice the amount subscribed in the previous loan. The standing of the different departments at present is:

Slasher room, 175 points; carding room, No. 1, 142 points; cloth room, 130 points; weaving rooms, Nos. 1 and 3 122 points; mule room 115 points; machine shop 106 points; paint shop 100 points; No. 4 weave room 100 points; spin and spool, 95 points; No. 2 card, 89 points.

New Fire Engine.

The Ponemah Company has purchased a double tank fire engine of such a type that it may be drawn by either horse or automobile. The apparatus is similar to the one owned by the Taftville Fire Protective association, only a little larger. It will respond to all fire calls in the village and be under the direction of Joseph Marsan.

Village Notes.

Several amateur baseball teams are practicing daily in the village.

Rev. U. O. Bellerose, rector of the Sacred Heart church is out of town for a few days.

There are a number of local girls among those who are to march in the parade today.

The work of tarring Norwich avenue from Tafts station to Mill No. 2 has been completed.

CATARRHAL DEAFNESS MAY BE OVERCOME
If you have catarrhal deafness or head noises, go to your druggist and get 1 ounce of Parmint (double strength), and add to it ¾ pint of hot water, and a little granulated sugar. Take 1 tablespoonful four times a day. This will often bring quick relief from the distressing head noises. Clogged nostrils should open, breathing become easy and the mucous stop dropping into the throat. It is easy to prepare, costs little and is pleasant to take. Anyone who has catarrhal deafness or head noises should give this prescription a trial.
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$5,000 SUBSCRIPTION WAITS FOR SCOUT

Norwich Man Will Make it Through First Boy Scout Who Speaks to Him on Main Street on Saturday Afternoon —Between Washington Square and Marguerite Building.

There is a Norwich citizen who will be waiting on Saturday to make a $5,000 subscription for a Liberty bond through some lucky Boy Scout.

That announcement was made on Thursday evening by the Norwich man who wants to see what Boy Scout will be smart enough to locate him and secure his subscription and get the big credit that will accrue to give him a tremendous start as the Scouts start on their work of gleaning in a field that has already been pretty well covered by the harvesters ahead of them.

At some time between 2 and 4 o'clock on Saturday afternoon, this individual with his $5,000 subscription all ready to be made, will be on Main street, between Washington square and the Marguerite building, and the first Boy Scout who speaks to him and solicits a Liberty bond subscription will have the surprise of his life when the man says: "Why, certainly, put me down for $5,000."

That will be a thrill that any Scout will be glad to have happen to him and not one of the Scouts will want to miss a chance by failing to ask every man he sees to buy a Liberty bond.

The chance is open to every Boy Scout in the town, and that means that every Scout will have to tackle every man he meets, for if he lets one go it may turn out to be that he has missed the man who wants to buy that $5,000 bond.

And while the Scouts are at work with the hope of the big count of $5,000 to be put on their list, they will naturally not neglect any chance to take applications for smaller amounts and the prospects are that many a $50 or $100 subscription will be picked up by the busy Scouts.

SUN IN ECLIPSE HERE ON JUNE 8

Will Be Partial—Begins in Latter Part of Afternoon.

It will grow dark twice in one day on June 8 in parts of the United States.

On that day, in a broad band from Seattle, Wash., to Jacksonville, Fla., before sunset a gigantic shadow will literally wipe the sun out of the sky for an instant.

The eclipse will be visible in Norwich as partial. It will begin here at 5.31 in the afternoon and end at 8.15 daylight saving time. The greatest obscuration will be at 6.27 o'clock.

The total eclipse of the sun in June will cover the greatest path in the United States since 1865 and will present the greatest opportunity for observation of any eclipse the country has ever seen. Besides its popular interest the time of an eclipse is of deep scientific value.

The full shadow cast by the moon coming between the earth and the sun will strike the United States at the mouth of the Columbia river, in the state of Washington. Thence it will swing southeast across the United States in a gigantic curve through Colorado, Oklahoma, Mississippi and Florida, to leave the country just south of Jacksonville at 7.42, eastern time, to leave the earth from a point 400 miles out at sea. It will cross the country at a speed of thirty-three miles a minute, making the trip across the United States from Seattle, Wash., to Jacksonville, Fla., in forty-seven minutes.

Places outside the zone of the full shadow will see only a partial eclipse. Washington will see a 74 per cent. eclipse; New York 68 per cent., and San Francisco 78 per cent.

CUT LIGHTED SIGNS FOR FUEL SAVING

None to Be Permitted Except For Theaters—These Curtailed Too.

No sign light upon the streets of Norwich, except theater sign lights are to be used at all from now on until further orders.

The use of theater sign lights will be permitted for only fifteen minutes before each performance, and all display window store lights are to be shut off at 6.30 except on evenings when stores are open for business.

These were new regulations announced on Thursday on behalf of the gas and electric department through Martin E. Jensen, chairman of the local fuel committee. The action was taken upon suggestion of B. P. Noyes, federal director of conservation of fuel. Mr. Jensen's announcement was as follows:

Theatre sign lights are to be used for 15 minutes only before beginning of performance.

Other sign lights are not to be used at all.

All display window lights are to be shut off at 6.30 p. m., excepting on the evenings when stores are open for business.

(Signed) MARTIN E. JENSEN,
Chairman Local Fuel Committee.

N. F. A. NOTES.

Baseball Team Plans Subscription Dance—Students Arrange For Parade.

The baseball team is to hold a subscription dance in the school gymnasium at an early date, to help out the finances of the team for this year. Manager Hourigan is in charge of the arrangements.

Arrangements have been completed for the participation of the Academy students in the Liberti Loan parade this afternoon. The students will march by classes, the senior class leading. The Academy students will form at the Academy at 12.30 and will march down to the town hall where the parade will start at 1 o'clock.

NEED IS URGENT FOR MORE KNITTED ARTICLES

Helmets, Wristlets and Mufflers Called For by Tuesday at Latest.

Notwithstanding the fact that there has been a very generous response to the urgent call sent out by the Red Cross knitting branch for enough knitted sets to equip the drafted men who are leaving this week and next for the military camps, it was found on Thursday that there is still a crying need for more helmets, wristlets and mufflers.

Thirty-six men were fitted out at the rooms yesterday. Eighteen more will require knitted sets by next Wednesday; to make these fully complete there are still needed 10 helmets, 20 pairs of wristlets, and a number of mufflers.

It is hoped that there will be an immediate response to this last hurry call, and that those women who are making helmets, scarfs or wristlets will manage to finish and bring them to the Service rooms on Monday, or by Tuesday at the very latest.

The very least that we can do for these men wro are going to take their part in the war is to send them away with the proper equipment of warm knitted articles as a token of our good will and appreciation.

ONLY NORWICH LAWYER CALLED TO SERVICE

Legal Friends Present Wrist Watch to W. H. Shields, Jr.

A number of lawyers assembled at the office of William H. Shields on Thursday afternoon to bid garewell to one of their fraternity, Attorney William H. Shields, Jr., who will leave for Camp Upton this (Friday) morning.

Mr. Shields is the only lawyer who has been called to service from this city. He is one of the younger members of the bar, yet he has proved that he has an honorable and successful career awaiting him. He is an alumnus of the Free Academy and of Yale university and of Yale Law school, and is one of the most popular members of his profession in this locality.

Attorney Edward T. Burke on behalf of the local members of the New London County Bar presented a handsome wrist watch to Mr. Shields, Jr., in a short speech, which was gratefully acknowledged by the recipient, who assured his friends that he would cheerfully accept any service required of him, and expressed his gratitude for the gift.

STONINGTON WOMAN IS SEEKING DIVORCE

Mrs. Lucy A. Massey Alleges Cruelty and Asks Alimony.

Lucy A. Massey of Stonington has brought an action for divorce against Paul Massey of Stonington. Mrs. Massey seeks alimony. Property of Massey's in the sum of $15,000 has been attached. The case is returnable before the superior court the first Tuesday in May.

Mrs. Massey, whose maiden name was Lucy A. Maine, married the defendant March 2nd, 1908. It is alleged that on divers days from January 1st, 1912, to date, Massey has been guilty of intolerable cruelty to the plaintiff.

The complaint cites that Massey owns real estate in Stonington valued at $35,000 and that he is capable of earning and is earning $10,000 annually.

YANTIC WOMEN'S GUILD TAKES SECOND BOND

Now Holds $200 Worth—Fill Comfort Bags For Red Cross.

The Women's Guild of Yantic have subscribed for their second Liberty bond, making $200 worth that they now hold. They have filled ten comfort bags for the Red Cross.

MODEL SCHOOL SESSION.

Pupils of Poquetanuck in Class Work During Evening Session.

Wednesday evening, April 24th, an evening session held in the model school at Poquetanuck, town of Preston.

The programme of the daily work was splendidly executed by the teachers, Miss Sophia Hallowell and Miss Gertrude Mullen.

State Inspector L. T. Garrison of Willimantic gave a very earnest talk on the subject of Free Text Books.

At the conclusion of the programme cake and coffee were served.

Post Office Hours For Liberty Day.

In accordance with the proclamation of the president, the office will close for the day at 12 m. on Liberty day, Friday, April 26. All outgoing mails will close as usual, the last mail for New York and Boston closing at 9.15 p. m. The afternoon collection from the street letter boxes, outside the business section will be made at the same time as on Sundays and from the same boxes, the late collection in the business section will be made as usual.

Waterford Man Injured.

William Loper of Waterford has received official notification from the adjutant general's office in Washington that his son, William E. Loper, was severely wounded. Young Loper is presumed to be attached to the 102nd infantry, as he was with that regiment on this side.

Private Harry Smith Writes Home.

Mrs. Annie Smith of 54 Church street has received a letter from her son, Private Harry Smith, who is somewhere in France, telling of the beautiful trip across and that where they are is a fine country. The boys are all feeling fine.

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EDUCATIONAL MEETING.

Held at Voluntown—Junior Four Minute Speaking a Feature.

Tuesday evening, April 23, a meeting in the interest of education was held in the town hall in Voluntown. About two hundred and fifty were present. Many compliments were paid the teachers, Miss Thompson, Miss Hasler and Miss Cooper of the Center School for the excellent programme given by the children.

One interesting feature was the contest speaking by the Junior Four Minute Men. This has recently been introduced in the schools. Those taking part were Fifth and Sixth grade. Three Kinds of Dollars, Jennie Lamoine; War Savings, Della Dupont; How We Can Help Win This War, Jennie Reil; Value and Need of War Saving Stamps, Leo Robinson, Seventh and Eighth grades: Why We Entered the War, Gladys Randall; Our Cause, Ernest Dupont; Connecticut's Part in the Nation's Preparations For War, Florida Riel.

Della Dupont and Ernnest Dupont were the winners of the certificates by W. M. Blair, national director of the Four Minute Men. The judges were State Inspector L. T. Garrison of Willimantic, Mrs. O. E. Lowell and Supervisor F. W. Shearer of Norwich.

A most interesting talk was given by Mr. Gleichman of Yale university.

Supervisor Lowell of Norwich spoke on Plans for Progress, also on the children's part in this great war and how it is being promoted in the schools.

The programme closed with the singing of The Star Spangled Banner.

NORWICH TOWN

Funeral of Miss Emily Hall Wilcox—Local Guests at Westchester Wedding—Personal Mention.

The winter birds are still coming to their feeding places, the blue jay especially often. This handsome bird found a friend in Emerson. He said in its defense "It does more good than harm." One writer states that the blue jay has the habit of burying nuts and hard seeds in the ground so that many a waste place is clothed with trees and shrubs.

The word from Bear Hill is "of purple finches musical all day long, the fox sparrow, field sparrow and cow bird are there, phoebes are nesting." The field sparrow has also been heard on Huntington lane and the purple grackle. The field sparrows' song which begins with three musical whistles and ends with sweet thrills is somewhat like the rich melody of the vesper sparrow. It is a bird of the pastures and uplands and it sings from early morning till after sunset.

FUNERAL

Miss Emily Hall Wilcox.

The funeral of Miss Emily Hall Wilcox was held at 11 o'clock Thursday morning from her home on Scotland Road, many being in attendance. Rev. William Crawford, pastor of the First Methodist church, conducted the service, speaking words of comfort, and closing with a beautiful poem. There were choice forms and clusters of flowers. Burial was in the family lot in Rixtown, Griswold. Rev. Mr. Crawford conducted the committal service at the grave. The bearers were Erroll and Lowell Wilcox, Albert and Erroll Lillibridge. Relatives and friends were present from Franklin, Lebanon and Kingston. R. I. Funeral Director G. G. Grant was in charge of the arrangements.

Guests at Wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Peck and son Crosby of Otrobando avenue were in Westchester Saturday to attend the Peck-Carver wedding at which Crosby Peck was ring-bearer.

Able to Leave Hospital.

Leslie B. Gardner of New London left Backus hospital Tuesday and is spending a week or two with Mrs. Thurston B. Barber, at her home on Peck's Corner.

Sheltering Arms Service.

Rev. Edward Barrow, pastor of A. M. E. Zion church on McKinley avenue, will be at the Sheltering Arms for the Sunday afternoon service.

Tersely Told News.

Mrs. Pember of Plain Hill is recovering from an attack of pneumonia.

Dwight Smith of Vergason avenue is in Backus hospital, ill with pneumonia.

Miss Lucy Standish of Scotland road will spend the week-end at her home in Colchester.

Mrs. William Kelley of Fitchville is visiting Mrs. Dwight Smith at her home on Vergason avenue.

James McKee of Bliss place has returned, after a two or three weeks' stay with relatives in New Haven.

Miss Annie Smith of Colchester comes today (Friday) to visit her sister, Mrs George L. Peck of Otrobando avenue.

After a fortnight's visit with friends in Brockton, Mass., and vicinity, Mrs. Olive Ellis returned Tuesday to the Sheltering Arms.

Preparations are being made for a coating of crushed stone, tarvia and sand on Washington street as far as Harland's Corner.

Miss Catherine F. Crocker of Scotland road will spend the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Samuel R. Crocker of Tufts College, Mass.

Rev. William Crawford of West Town street has returned from conference held in Providence. Services at the First Methodist church are resumed.

WINDHAM

Illustrated Lecture—Women Working Hard to Secure Liberty Loan Subscriptions—Personals.

Sunday evening an illustrated lecture entitled Sunny Italy on Pilgrim Shores, is to be given and will be of special interest to the members of the Woman's Missionary society who are reading the study book, Sons of Italy.

Mrs. Walter Abbe left Saturday for a visit in Washington, D. C., and New York.

Vincent Pegrum motored from Boston Friday and spent Sunday with his mother.

Harold Maine and Earl Potter are out again, after being ill.

The C. E. meeting was omitted on Sunday evening because of the storm.

Mrs. Ida Warner MacLean, who has been spending the winter in New York, returned to her home on North street, Thursday. Her sister, Miss Mabel Warner, has arrived in France where she will engage in Y. W. C. A. work.

Communion Service.

Services were omitted at St. Paul's Sunday evening, members of the parish attending communion service at St. Paul's, Willimantic, where Rev. Stephen Granderry of Hartford was the celebrant.

Securing Subscriptions.

The local Liberty bond committee, Mrs. H. C. Lathrop, Miss Dorothy Brown and Mrs. John M. Potter, are meeting with fair success. Windham village's allotment of $19,000 seems rather large.

Miss Julia Guild spent Wednesday and Saturday in Putnam and Woodstock Hill.

W. S. Kelsey of Boston was in town several days last week.

Mrs. F. F. Webb and her sister, Mrs. Brown, of Providence, who have been at the Inn for several weeks, left on Thursday to open Mrs. Webb's house in Willimantic.

Miss Lizzie Lynch spent her vacation with her sisters in Rockville and West Willington.

Minstrels Given Up.

The minstrel show, for which rehearsals have been held for several weeks, has been given up for lack of interest on the part of some of the boys having the principal parts.

The meeting of the County W. C. T. U., will be held in the Congregational church here next week.

The amount raised for the local Red Cross so far is about $125. It is hoped to reach the $200 mark by the end of the week.

BORN

PITCHER—In Westerly, R. I., April 21, 1918, a daughter, Pauline Cameron, to Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Pitcher.

BURDICK—In Westerly, R. I., April 22, 1918, a son, John W., Jr., to Mr. and Mrs. John W. Burdick.

QUINN—In Versailles, April 24, 1918, a son to Attorney and Mrs. Virtume P. A. Quinn.

MARRIED

MAHER—ASHE—In New York city, at the Hotel Astor, April 25, 1918, Lieut. James Maher, U. S. N., and Miss Beatrice Ashe of New London, formerly of Norwich.

LAROCHE—BERTHIAUME—In Pomfret, April 22, 1918, by Rev. John J. Elty, Miss Ella Berthiaume of Pomfret and Joseph Laroche of North Grosvenordale.

POWERS—JACKSON—In Norwich, April 25, 1918, by Rev. P. J. Cuny, John H. Powers and Miss Ruth B. Jackson, both of Norwich.

DIED

HOAG—In Westerly, R. I., April 22, 1918, William J. Hoag, aged 33 years.

BLANCHARD—In Griswold, April 24, 1918, James Blanchard, aged 59 years. Funeral from his home Saturday morning at 8.15. Requiem mass at St. Mary's church at 9. Burial in St. Mary's cemetery, Lisbon. Automobile cortege.

BARNES — In Preston, April 24, 1918, Chester Morgan Barnes, in the 92d year of his age. Funeral services at his late residence Saturday afternoon, April 27, at 2.30 o'clock.

BROWN—In Lebanon, April 24, 1918, Frederick J. Brown, aged 74 years. Funeral services from Exeter church Saturday afternoon, April 27, at 2 o'clock.

DRISCOLL—In this city, April 25, 1918, Mary McCarthy, widow of Jeremiah Driscoll. Funeral from her late home, No. 219 West Town street, Saturday morning at 8.20. Solemn high mass at Sacred Heart church at 9 o'clock. Burial in St. Mary's cemetery.

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HUMOR OF THE DAY

The interviewed—Yes, I lost my husband in the disaster.

The Interviewer—Total loss, or was he insured?—Judge.

"My rubber plant doesn't seem to do well in this climate."

"Why don't you send it South for the winter?" — Louisville Courier-Journal.

"Is there anything you can do better than anyone else?"

"Yes," replied the small boy. "I kin read my own writing."—Boston Transcript.

"Life," said the unsuspecting young man, "is what we make it."

"Then" said the coy maid, "suppose you make it diamonds, and I'll make it hearts."—Pittsburgh Press.

"Met your new neighbors, have yyou? What kind of people are they?"

"Newly rich and sporty. They know the parts of an auto better than the parts of speech."—Motor World.

Colonel Grimbattle—Why so gay? You were in deep mourning the last time I saw you.

The Window Lookabout—I was. But since the soldiers began to rendezvous here I've been called to the colors.—Judge.

The Sub—I say, Sergeant Major, do you realize that that chap with the barrow is a member of an archeological society?

The Sergeant Major—Well, sir, 'e may be what you say. Personally I've always found 'im quiet and well be'aved.—Punch.

Professor (in lecture)—Even though these nineteenth century novelists are very crude and frankly speak of subjects tabooed today——

Co-ed (in back of room)—You know, Edith, I really must read these famous authors. They are so important, don't you think so?—Punch Bowl.

"This morning I overheard you calling me a bonehead."

"Did you?"

"And this afternoon you called me a pinhead."

"Possibly."

"I say, old chap, aren't you mixing your metaphors a bit?"—Washington Star.

THE KALEIDOSCOPE

Five priests were shot by the German authorities at Antwerp on March 16.

Sir Collingwood Schrieber, C.M.G., Consulting Engineer to the Canadian Government, has died.

M. Clemenceau:—"The battle is not yet finished. It will be a hard struggle, but we are prepared."

An increase in the size of all ships to be built has been ordered by the United States Shipping Board.

Matinees at all theatres, music-halls, and cinematograph halls in Paris are forbidden until further notice.

"On the Tigris an English aeroplane was shot down during an air fight."—Turkish communique, March 22.

The Grand Duke Michael, who was exiled to Perm and imprisoned by the local council, has now been released.

Moscow messages state that German troops are marching on Kharkoff from Poltava and from the north-west.

The salary of the Premier of Ontario has been increased from $9,000 (£1,800) to $12,000 (£2,400) per annum.

An American ship has seized a small vessel off the Mexican coast. A report that she is a German raider is denied.

"Allied airmen carried out successful bombing raids notably on Berat (Albania)."—French Eastern communique.

At Poltava the Germans are reported to have seized about 50,000 tons of grain, which they are busily exporting.

Leaders of the Portuguese Democratic, Evolutionist, and Unionist parties have resolved to abstain from voting in the political election on April 28.

In Southern Russia the Bolshevists have constituted yet another independent State, the Tauridian Republic, which includes the whole of the Crimea.

Proposals made by the Spanish Commissioner of Supply for restrictions of supplies of grain, flour, and coal have received the approval of the Spanish Government.

The Bolshevists have ordered that the demobilization of all the Russian Armies which took part in the war with Germany should be absolutely finished by April 12.

Germany has declined to accede to the proposal of the Dutch Government to continue the supply of coal to Holland pending negotiations for a new economic agreement.

Queen Wilhelmina and Princess Juliana, who arrived at Amsterdam, were greeted by frequent shouts of "Bread!" and "We are hungry!" from men and women in the crowds.

Erzrum, the great fortress of north-eastern Asia Minor, has, according to the Armenian Bureau in Petrograd, been recaptured by the Armenian Corps. It was taken by the Turks less than a month ago.

A Jew named Leopold Hilsner, who was sentenced to 18 years' imprisonment for complicity in a "ritual murder," has just been released by the Austrian Emperor's amnesty on the occasion of the recent birth of a new Archduke.

Vorwarts reports that a Dortmund munition factory inspector, named Seidel, has been sentenced to four years' penal servitude and five years loss of civil rights for attempted high treason by allowing the manufacture of faulty shells.

General Block von Blottnitz, commander of the 18th German Infantry Division, is reported by the Weser Zeitung to have been killed by a shell while directing an attack on March 21 from a hill near Hargicourt (north of St. Quentin).

Proceedings are to be taken by the Portuguese Government against Dr. Bernardino Machado, the ex-President, on a charge of making insulting aspersions against the present President of the Republic and the Ministers, and of inciting to rebellion.

A loan of $200,000,000 (£40,000,000) has been made to Great Britain by the United States. This bring the total amount lent by the United States to this country to $2,720,000,000 (£544,000,000), and to all the Allies to $5,161,000,000 (£1,032,200,000).

Writs have been issued in Canada against the estates of the late Mr. James Robert Stratton, of Peterboro, and of Messrs. Dennis Weston Karn, of Woodstock, C. Klopfer, and T. W. Coffee, of Guelph, for the recovery of $2,000,000 [£400,000] damages for alleged negligence and breach of trust in connexion with the management of the Dominion Permanent Loan Company.