

**GERMAN FLOTILLA OFF GULF OF RIGA**

**Petrograd Reports Air Battle With a Squadron of Forty Hostile Planes.**

**HARBOR WORKS ARE BOMBED**

**Destroyers and U-Boats Sighted by Russians—The Italians Report Further Gains of Terrain—French Operations Subside.**

London.—Having failed in all their direct attacks by land to break the Russian front and capture Riga, Russia's principal naval base and arsenal on the Baltic, the possibility that the Germans are now preparing for an offensive by land and sea is forecast in the maneuvers of their torpedo boat destroyers, submarines and mine sweeping trawlers in adjacent waters and in aerial attacks in the Gulf of Riga itself.

Forty airplanes of the enemy have winged their flight over the waters of the Gulf, dropping bombs. Ninety of these missiles were loosed Thursday upon Russian warships and harbor works and raids also were carried out against islands in the Gulf. What damage, if any, resulted is not stated in the Russian official communication.

Neither the Petrograd nor the Berlin War Office has announced the commencement of infantry activity in the marshy district west of Riga, where recently the Germans made advances, although Berlin says that northwest of Dvinsk, in the region of Ilukst, the Russians have taken the offensive and are carrying out raiding operations. The situation on the other sectors of the Russian front has not changed materially.

The Italians are still making gains on the plateau north of Gorizia and also have renewed their offensive to the south on the Carso Plateau. More than 600 additional Austrian prisoners and five machine guns have been captured in the Bainsizza region. South of this region, on the dominating peak of Monte San Gabriele, more ground has been taken. On the Carso Plateau the big Caproni airplanes are aiding in the attack.

Aside from artillery duels, which are violent at various points along the front held by the British and French troops in Belgium and France, only minor operations are taking place.

**U. S. AIR FLEET IN FRANCE**

Washington Official Guardedly Lets It Become Known.

Washington.—The vanguard of America's vast air fleet has reached French soil.

The first of the armada of 15,000 airplanes have safely crossed the Atlantic, together with men, well trained aviators, to operate them.

The fact became known in guarded statements at the War Department. The exact number of machines which have been transported is military information and not subject to publication. The same holds true for the number of men sent across.

**CHILD LABOR LAW VOID**

Ruled to Be Unconstitutional on Eve of Operation.

Greensboro, N. C.—Judge James E. Boyd, of the United States Court, declared the Federal Child-Labor law unconstitutional.

Injunction proceedings which resulted in Judge Boyd's ruling were brought by Robert H. Dagenhart and his two sons against a cotton manufacturing company to prevent the company from dismissing the two boys, minors, from the company's mill at Charlotte. Federal District Attorney William C. Hammer also was made defendant.

Reuben Dagenhart is under sixteen and John Dagenhart under fourteen. The father contended he has a right to their wages until they are twenty-one, and that as the North Carolina law allows eleven hours a day, Reuben has a right to work more than eight hours a day, while John has a right to work in the mill, although under fourteen, because the State law permits it.

**"COUNTERSIGN WILSON'S REPLY"**

This Is Demand of French Deputy on All Allies.

Paris.—Frederic Brunet, Deputy from the Seine District, announces the intention of submitting an interpellation in the Chamber of Deputies demanding that France answer Pope Benedict's peace note in the spirit of President Wilson's reply.

"I find President Wilson's answer perfect," said the Deputy, "and I wish to see it countersigned by all the allied governments."

**VIENNA SEES BIG DEFEAT**

Urges Press to Discuss Probability of Retirement Before Italians.

Milan.—The Austro-Hungarian Government is preparing the public for a great defeat as the outcome of the Italian successes.

The Vienna newspapers, upon the official advice, are beginning to discuss the probability of an Austrian retirement from the present line both on the Carso and northeast of Gorizia. Some even hint at the possibility of giving up Trieste.

**Manchester District Letter.**

One day last week an automobile chit in the form of a shoe passed through our little town. One of our boys ran out and said, "There goes a submarine."

In a paper, under date of Aug. 17th, we read of a public sale at Denby, Va., where Holstein cows sold at \$200 each.

Among the homes for incurables, hospitals and sanitariums that our magazine, "Home Sunshine" visits, is the "Contagious Hospital for Lepers,"

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Mrs. Fannie Aldin and daughter, Alesia, Mrs. J. M. Jetter, Miss Virginia Hoelter, Mrs. C. Miller and Mr. Harry Hutchins were guests at the home of Miss Fannie Ross.

Mrs. Merrell and daughter, Clarice, who spent the summer months at the home of Mr. George Polk, have returned to their home in Newark, N. J.

Prof. George Land and wife are visiting their mother, Mrs. F. S. Land.

Mr. and Mrs. Marsteller and several other relatives are visiting at the Reformed parsonage guests of Rev. and Mrs. F. H. Blatt.

Miss Mary Masenheimer and Miss Winnifred Masenheimer spent the week's end in Baltimore with friends.

Miss Mae Musselman, who spent the past two weeks in York, a guest of her aunt, Mrs. William Shenberger, has returned home.

Mrs. Hester Musselman, superintendent of the primary department of Trinity Reformed Sunday School, had on Friday August 31, an outing for the children and their friends in Zimmerman's woods.

The corn crop in this section is very heavy this year. The large trucks of B. F. Shriver Co. are hauling every day. The rush at the canning factory has been so great that the huskers from this side do not reach home until 10 p. m.

Four of our young men of this town were called to serve Uncle Sam—Albert Brilliant, William Masenheimer, Charles Myerly and Ralph Yingling.

**Public Sale of PERSONAL PROPERTY**

IN FRANKLIN DISTRICT, CARROLL COUNTY, MARYLAND.

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a mortgage dated June 22nd, 1915, from Augustus W. Carr and Catherine Carr, to George L. Stocksdale, and recorded among the mortgage records of Carroll County, Maryland, in Liber O. D. G., No. 65, folio 225, etc., and which said mortgage has been duly assigned upon Union Bridge Banking & Trust Company, and in said mortgage is contained authority to the said assignee of mortgage or to Geo. L. Stocksdale, of Carroll County, Maryland, attorney and agent named in said mortgage to sell said property therein mentioned and the said George L. Stocksdale, attorney and agent named in said mortgage will offer at public sale on the farm formerly owned by Catherine Carr on the Bloom Road, in Franklin District, on

SATURDAY, THE 15th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, A. D. 1917,

beginning at 11 o'clock a. m. the following property namely: One bay gelding; One bay mare, One dark horse mule; One dark mare mule; Four sets of front gears; One set of single buggy harness; five horse collars; Five bridles, One 4-inch tread Schetler wagon, One 2 inch tread Lansing Wagon, One four inch tread Schetler Wagon, One 4 inch tread Brown Wagon, One Stone Bed, 14 feet long, 1 Perry harrow, One Milwaukee binder, 7 feet cut; One two horse Oliver Chilli plow, one Gale sulky plow, Two three legged corn plows, Two falling top buggies, One two horse slide.

PERSONAL PROPERTY OF CATHERINE CARR.

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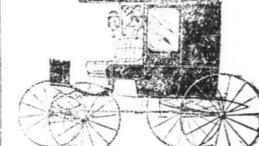
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