

ITALY IS APPROACHING DECISION ON POLICY AS CABINET RESIGNS

British Lose the Battleship Goliath and Most of Its Crew at Dardanelles.

RUSSIANS RETREAT 40 MILES

London, May 13.—The Italian cabinet has resigned. "The council of ministers," says a Rome dispatch, "considering it did not possess the unanimous assent of constitutional parties regarding international policy which the gravity of the situation demands, decided to hand in resignations to the king. An official note was issued late tonight as follows:

"The king reserved his decision as to whether resignations are to be accepted."

Another battleship, the Goliath, the third British lost since the attack on the Dardanelles began, has been torpedoed by Turks, and of a crew of over 700 only 180 were saved. The loss of the vessel and men are serious.

Universal Service.
Viscount Haldane, lord high chancellor, in the house of lords, intimated the government is considering the necessity of departing from voluntary system of mutual enlistment, and resorting to universal service throughout the kingdom for the present. He said the hands of the war office were full with men they now possessed, but it might be necessary to reconsider the situation in the light of tremendous necessities with which the nation is confronted.

Recruiting Satisfactory.
While recruiting is considered satisfactory, heavy fighting in Flanders where Germans for a week have been attacking with greatest violence the British line shows that a great many more men will be required if victory is to be attained.

Heavy casualty list have followed the repeated fierce German artillery bombardment. The Austro-German offensive continues in western Galicia where they have driven the Russians forty miles from their old position, to within twenty-five miles of Przemyśl. Fighting has become less intense and the German allies estimate their captures at 150,000 men, sixty nine guns and 255 machine guns.

Russians claim they are in a position to prevent further advance of the enemy, but they have lost much ground which they won by hard slow fighting.

A cold from which King Constantine of Greece has been suffering the past week turned into pleurisy, says a Renter's Athens correspondent. The king has been unable to attend to state business for some time. Physicians held consultation concerning his condition tonight.

Council Called.
Rome, May 13.—An urgent council of ministers was convoked late today owing to an alarming increase in agitation of the people.

At a cabinet meeting today the international situation was discussed. King Victor expressed a hope that an understanding can be reached which will make parliamentary action unnecessary in its decision to be taken. Giordani D'Italia, a government organ urges concord. It recalls a phrase of Garibaldi when he landed fifty-five years ago today at Sicily with 1,000 volunteers:

"If united our task will be easy." The situation calls for unity at the present time.

TRADE MAGAZINE FOR THE STATE

Franklin Kauffman Behind New
Publication; Offices at
Minot.

Minot, N. D., May 13.—Sensational developments are promised in investigations into shipments of certain big eastern catalog and mail-order houses into this state by the "North Dakota Retailer and Trade Reporter," a monthly magazine, devoted to the interests of the merchants of the Flickertail State and the commercial pursuits of this territory, just launched at Minot by Franklin Kauffman.

It is charged that in many instances certain mail order houses have not only consigned to this state products which are believed to be highly adulterated and other literature, pertaining to wearing apparel and household goods, has been flagrantly fraudulent.

In the face of the most tremendous bid for business in the history of North Dakota by the mail-order houses, Kauffman, who has been making observations and studying conditions for some time has sounded a battle cry that is likely to jar things from one end of the state to the other.

The new magazine will undoubtedly be greeted with enthusiasm by the business interests of this state and also the commercial travelers, making this territory, and to whom a department of the new publication is devoted.

THREATEN TO BLOW UP SHIP

Captain of Japanese Ship Loading
Munitions of War Fears
Foul Play.

Tacoma, May 13.—Threats that the Japanese liner Kaifuko Maru, loading war supplies for Vladivostok here, will be blown up in Tacoma or when three days out by placing a mine aboard, led Captain Kurabara to complain to the authorities. An extra guard was placed at the Northern Pacific docks.

HELP NORWAY TO CELEBRATE

McVillie to Hold Big Celebration
on Norway's Fourth of
July.

McVillie, N. D., May 13.—This progressive little berg will hold a big celebration on Norway's Independence Day, Monday, May 17th. The observance of the day will be under the auspices of the Sons of Norway Lodge, Assmund Vinli No. 110.

A rousing meeting of the business men of McVillie was held recently with the members of the lodge and it was decided to make the day's program the best that could be undertaken in a small town. Committees were appointed which immediately got busy to outline the general program of the day.

United States Senator Porter J. McCumber has accepted the invitation to make the oration of the day and several local speakers have been engaged also. The North Dakota State band of Pekin will furnish the music. A baseball game between the Pekin and McVillie teams will take place in the afternoon. Other sports have been arranged for as well. A big parade in the forenoon of business display floats, baseball clubs, school children and citizens in autos has been planned. The day's doings will close with a big dance at the McVillie opera house in the evening.

Hon. E. C. Osgard, president of the local lodge, will act as president of the day. Martin Dahl is Secretary; Ole K. Dahle, treasurer, and Geo. McMillan, marshal of the day. The parade will take place at 10:30 in the morning.

WELL KNOWN FARMER DIES AT ST. ANTHONY

Conrad Thomas, aged 78 years, one of the wealthiest and best known farmers living in the St. Anthony vicinity, died yesterday, after a brief illness.

The deceased came to N. D. from Russia in 1893 and for 22 years has conducted a big farm south of St. Anthony. He specialized in raising sheep, and amassed a considerable fortune.

His wife and eight children survive. The oldest son, Joseph, is in Russia, while the others make their homes here. They are: Nicholas, Anton, Philip, Jacob, Frank, Mrs. Ludwig Gleser and Mrs. Joe Kuntz.

The funeral services will be held at the St. Anthony church on Thursday.

MILLIONS OF PROPERTY DESTROYED

GERMANS IN SOUTH AFRICA
ATTACKED BY MOB DEMANDING
REVENGE FOR
SINKING OF LUSITANIA.

LOSS REACHES \$1,500,000

Torch Set to Stocks of Kaiser's
Subjects in Johannesburg.

Johannesburg, South Africa, May 13.—Amidst cries of "murderers of Lusitania babies are avenged," "murderers of our prisoners of war are avenged," mobs wrecked scores of buildings owned by Germans. They ran riot over the city, resulting in a total damage of \$1,500,000. Flames were seen for miles at every point of the compass. Looting was forcibly repressed and all contents of shops consigned to fire. German jewelry shops were raided and valuable stocks thrown into the flames. From German drygoods houses thousands of rolls of cotton and woolen clothes were taken and burned.

REV. DARNELL IS FOUND GUILTY

Jury Convicts Former Minister
On White Slave Charge; His
Mother Faints.

Milwaukee, May 13.—James M. Darnell was found guilty this afternoon by a jury in the federal court of violating the Mann White Slave Act in transporting Ruth Soper from Owatonna to Chicago and thence to Kenosha. Counsel for the defendant moved for a new trial and the plea will be heard May 20. Darnell's mother, in a room adjoining the court, collapsed when informed of the verdict. Darnell displayed no emotion.

FARMER ROBBED OF SAVINGS

Highwayman Gets Drop on Him
in Great Northern Yard
at Minot.

Minot, May 13.—Held up at the point of a gun and robbed of \$175, the money that he had saved to start farming in North Dakota, J. E. Thorson of Duluth, was attacked at 10:15 Tuesday night by a man who pretended to be a police officer.

Thorson was enroute with a car of household goods and farm machinery for McGregor, N. D., where he planned to start farming. As he was walking along the Great Northern yards in the eastern part of the city he was accosted by a man, who said that he was a police officer. The supposed patrolman asked Thorson for his shipping contract. Thorson showed him this, and the would-be official handed it back to him.

Just at this moment the assailant pulled a gun and stuck it in Thorson's face, saying: "Hands up." Thorson says that the man had the drop on him, and held up his hands. The man went through his pockets, getting \$175.

Thorson immediately reported the robbery to the police officials who are now on the trail of the assailant. Thorson is unable to give a clear description of the man, and for this reason the officials are somewhat handicapped in their search for the offender.

CHICAGO WOMAN IS BRUTALLY MURDERED



Mrs. John Coppersmith and her son. Mrs. John Coppersmith and her young son, John Coppersmith, Jr., were brutally murdered at their home in Chicago late last week. The only clue to the murderer is a finger ring, which was found on the floor near the bodies. The mother was struck with a hammer. Both she and her child had their throats cut.

DEVINE SLATED FOR POSITION

Former Governor Probably Will
Be New Head of Reform
School.

Mandan, N. D., May 13.—J. M. Devine, Minot, has been here for the last few days familiarizing himself with the routine of the state reform school. It is reported that he will succeed Superintendent Brown, June 1.

Former Governor Devine is now secretary of the state normal board but this office will be abolished when the board of regents bill goes into effect.

Mr. Devine is one of the best known educators of the state. For several years he was superintendent of public instruction, later lieutenant governor and finally governor, when Governor Briggs died in 1898.

MC CUMBER WILL BE PRESENT

Formal Opening of Minot Federal
Building to Take Place
June 2.

Minot, N. D., May 13.—The new federal building, which is nearing completion, at a cost of \$10,000, will be formally dedicated on June 2, according to an announcement made by Secretary Hollenga of the association of commerce this afternoon.

Senator Porter J. McCumber will be the principal speaker at the dedication. Secretary Hollenga has received word from Senator McCumber that he will be here. Other addresses will be made by Postmaster Stenwick, a representative from the association of commerce and of the Minot citizens. The people of Minot are proud of the new federal building and the dedication promises to attract a large crowd.

BONDED DEBT IS THE LOWEST IN HISTORY

STATE AUDITING BOARD AUTHORIZES
RETIREMENT OF
\$55,300 WORTH OF NORTH
DAKOTA STATE BONDS.

\$562,000 WORTH IS LEFT

Will Be Paid for by Drawing on
the State Bond Sinking
Fund.

The bonded indebtedness of North Dakota has been reduced to the lowest point ever reached in the history of the state.

At a meeting of the state auditing board held yesterday afternoon at the capitol, the retirement of \$55,300 worth of state bonds was authorized. The bonds will be paid for by drawing on the state bond sinking fund. The retirement of these bonds will have the effect of reducing the bonded debt of the state from \$617,300 to \$562,000.

This means that the bonded debt of the state will have reached the lowest point in the history of North Dakota.

Part of the bonds to be retired will be paid before coming due and no bonds will be due until 1919 when the above issue is taken up.

YAQUI TRIBE KILL AMERICANS

Attack Women and Children
Near Esperanza; Several
Are Wounded.

Nogales, Sonora, May 13.—Yaqui Indians attacking a colony of sixty five Americans, including women and children, near Esperanza, south of Guaymas, killed three and wounded several others, according to information to Frederick Simplic, American consul here. Battle continues.

PECULIAR BENSON COUNTY STORM

Dust Cloud Turns Daylight Into
Darkness and Frightens
Many Children.

Oberon, N. D., May 13.—The worst dirt storm ever experienced here occurred on Monday at about 2:30 p. m. Clouds of ipky blackness seemed to be boiling in the west and northwest while volumes of dust rained down upon the town. For five minutes the darkness was that of night and then came rain. Much alarm was felt, children fainting in the school room and general uneasiness prevailed. Very little rain fell and the sun shone again shortly before six o'clock.

The storm approached at a great velocity and enveloped the town in darkness but there was no wind until the dust had passed, absolute calm prevailing during the passing of the dust cloud followed by a heavy wind and light rain.

The darkness was more complete for five or ten minutes that at Bismarck in 1910, during the great forest fires in Montana and Idaho. Old inhabitants of Dakota state that nothing like this storm has ever been experienced before.

A RECORD CARGO.
Galveston, Tex., May 13.—The record cargo of grain to be shipped from the port of Galveston, is 356,000 bushels of No. 2 hard winter wheat valued at \$327,563, exported today on the Greek steamship Andreas for Havre.

WILSON ASKS GERMANY TO CEASE RAIDS ON UNPROTECTED VESSELS

Note to Germany Makes Same General Representations as One Sent When Attack on English Commerce Was Started.

"STRICT ACCOUNTABILITY" URGED

Washington, May 13.—The United States government today cabled Ambassador Gerard for presentation to the German government a note calling attention "to the grave situation which has resulted" from violation of American rights on the high seas, culminating in the sinking of the Lusitania with loss of 100 Americans.

DEMANDS REPARATION.
The communication expresses confident expectation of the United States "that the imperial German government will disavow acts of which the United States complains, and that they will make reparation so far as reparation is possible for injuries which are without measure and that they will take immediate steps to prevent recurrence of anything so obviously subversive of principles of warfare for which the German government in the past has so wisely and so firmly contended.

In its conclusion, the note states that Germany "will not expect the government of the United States to omit any word or act necessary to performance of its sacred duty of maintaining the right of the United States and its citizens, of safeguarding their free exercise and enjoyment."

The full text of the note was published tonight by the state department. After citing the incidents since the declaration of the German war zone in which American vessels have been damaged and American lives lost, the note says these "constitute a series of events which the government of the United States has observed with growing concern, distress and amazement."

DECLARATION OF WAR ZONE.
In regard to the declaration of war zone by Germany because of "measures adopted by their adversaries in seeking to cut off Germany from all commerce and to adopt methods of retaliation, going beyond ordinary methods of warfare at sea," the note says the United States has already informed Germany it cannot admit the adoption of such measures "or warning of danger to operate as in any degree an abbreviation of rights of American ship masters or of American citizens bound on lawful errands as passengers on merchantmen of belligerent nationality, and that it must hold Germany to strict accountability for any infringement of these rights, intentional or incidental.

ASSUMES GERMANY ACCEPTS RULE.
It does not understand Germany to question these rights, but assumes on the contrary, that Germany accepts the rule that lives of non-combatants, whether citizens of neutral or belligerent countries, cannot lawfully be put in jeopardy by destruction of unarmed merchantmen." The attention of Germany is called "with utmost earnestness" to the fact that their present method of attack against the trade of their enemies makes it practically an impossibility of employing submarines in destruction of commerce without disregarding these rules of fairness, reason, justice and humanity, which all modern opinion regard as imperative.

PROTESTS USE OF SUBMARINES.
It is practically impossible for officers of submarine to visit merchantman at sea, examine her papers and cargo. It is practically impossible for them to make a prize of her, and she cannot sink her without leaving her crew and all aboard to the mercy of the sea. These facts, it is understood, Germany frankly admits, therefore manifestly submarines cannot be used against merchantmen without the inevitable violation of sacred principles of justice and humanity. It is asserted "Americans act within indisputable rights" in traveling, however, and wherever their business calls them on the high seas, and that they should be confident that their lives will not be endangered "by acts done in clear violation of universally acknowledged international obligation, and certainly confident that their own government will sustain them in exercise of their rights."

RIGHT OF FREE TRAVEL.
"Attention is called to the warning published in newspapers addressed to the people of the United States that citizens who 'exercised the right of free travel upon the seas would do so at his peril' if within Germany's war zone. It is pointed out that no warning 'that an unlawful, inhumane act would be committed can possibly be accepted as an excuse or in palliation for the act.'"

The belief is expressed that commanders of submarines were acting under "misapprehension of orders" by German naval authorities, and takes for granted that commanders of submarines expected to do nothing involving "lives of non-combatants or the safety of neutral ships, and even at the cost of or failure of their object of capture or destruction."

BOUND BY FRIENDSHIP.
"The government and people of the United States," the note continues, "look to Germany for just, prompt and enlightened action in this vital matter with greater confidence because the United States and Germany are bound not only by special ties of friendship but also by the treaty of 1828 between the United States and the Kingdom of Prussia."

Government officials had no comment to make regarding when a reply was expected.

Horse Has Joy Ride From Wing

Willis E. Bryan, the genial proprietor of the horse and auto hostelry which bears his name, is the first man in Bismarck to haul a horse in his automobile along with five full grown men. Mr. Bryan successfully accomplished this feat yesterday and the horse is on exhibition at the Bryan barn for the benefit of those who won't believe this tale.

Mr. Bryan was in Wing yesterday and unexpectedly purchased a horse. He wanted to get the horse to his barn as soon as possible and at the least possible expense and this is how he worked it. The five men piled into his old Model 10 Buick car first and then the horse was hoisted in amongst them. (And by the way, it is a real horse, not a saw horse or a wooden horse.)

In this manner the five men and the horse traveled from Wing to Bismarck, a total of about 49 miles, in 2 hours and 15 minutes, part of the road was rough, too. The horse was calmly munching his supper and five men in the party ate their evening meal at the usual time.

Had Mr. Bryan sent the horse by express he figures it would have cost him \$3.35 and the transfer at Wilton, and then it would not have arrived in Bismarck until the Soo train tonight.

BEULAH GETS PRAISE FOR ITS NEW SCHOOL.

Beulah, N. D., May 14.—I wish to congratulate Beulah on having the only small town rural school in the state of North Dakota, which lives up to and exceeds the state standards," said E. J. Taylor, superintendent of public instruction.

Superintendent Taylor was at Beulah to assist in the dedication of the

new school which has just been completed. It is a two story structure 60 by 100.

Build in Beulah is not confined to the new school, for a new brick bank building, and a new mercantile store are under construction, while several of the business houses having proven too small, are being remodeled and enlarged.

Cement sidewalks are generally being laid in all parts of the town.