

THE WEATHER
Fair tonight and Thursday. Not much change in temperature.

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BATTLE NOW RIVALS FLEET'S BOMBARDMENT

LINER SUNK

By a German Submarine But the Members of its Crew Are All Saved.

LONDON, Mar. 31.—The Ellerman line steamer *Flaminian* with a general cargo from Glasgow to Capetown was sunk off the Scilly islands Monday, March 29, submarine, U-28. The members of the crew were saved. The *Flaminian* sighted the U-28 at 7:15 o'clock Monday afternoon. The crew at once prepared to lower the boats and at the same time the vessel was sent ahead at full speed. The submarine easily overhauled it, however, and fired three shots, signaling it to stop. The *Flaminian* was stopped and the crew abandoning all personal belongings got off in small boats. The submarine then fired ten shots at the steamer. These appeared to be ineffective and a torpedo was discharged. This sent the vessel to the bottom.

FOUR LIVES LOST

And Big Damage is Done by a Fire Which Destroys the Village of Norfolk.

WATERTOWN, N. Y., Mar. 31.—Four lives were lost and damage to the extent of \$200,000 was done by a fire which practically destroyed the village of Norfolk in St. Lawrence county early today. Fourteen stores were destroyed as well as two hotels and several residences. The dead are Mrs. J. Thomas, and her children, and her sister.

NOT JUSTIFIED

Would the State Department Feel to Object to Credit Arrangements Made.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 31.—The state department has not felt justified, Secretary Bryan announced today, in objecting to credit arrangements made with belligerent governments by American financiers insofar as they have been brought to the department's attention. Secretary Bryan said the department had taken no action and expressed no opinion on them.

FOREIGNERS ARRESTED

For Violating Johnson Anti-Weapon Law Will Be Given Hearing in Few Days.

Gen. Maskas and George Isotas, foreigners of the Tin Plate addition, will be arraigned before Justice Jackson V. Carter at 7:30 o'clock Tuesday evening, April 6, to answer to a charge of violating the Johnson anti-pistol law. Maskas and Isotas were arrested Tuesday afternoon by Deputy Sheriff Leo P. Oulfield, Clarence Stout and Theo Wolf upon complaint of residents of that section who say that Maskas and Isotas while intoxicated Saturday evening pulled guns in a pool room and caused considerable excitement by firing several rounds of shots.

PRICE CONFESSES

In the Criminal Court to Forger and is Given Two and Half Years in Prison.

L. B. Price alias "Bud" Price, brought back from the penitentiary a few days ago where he was to serve time until September for forgery, confessed in the criminal court here Wednesday morning to forging a check for \$47 on the Union National Bank and passing it at William Horner's store at Lost Creek in August, 1913. Judge James W. Robinson then sentenced him to serve two years and six months in the state penitentiary for committing that crime. Price addressed the court, saying he determined some time ago that he could not beat the law and that he had, therefore, reformed.

CONTRACTOR ELLIOTT DIES OF PNEUMONIA

Well Known and Popular Builder, a Native of Scotland, is No More on Earth. Henry W. Elliott, aged 60 years, president of the Elliott Building Company of this city, passed away at 5 o'clock Tuesday evening at his home at 305 Baker avenue, Stealey Heights, after a two weeks' illness of pneumonia. While overseeing some bridge work his company was building near Charleston, Mr. Elliott contracted a cold about three weeks ago but as his work was almost finished he stayed there until the work was done. Upon his return to this city two weeks ago pneumonia developed. Mr. Elliott came to this city thirteen years ago with his partner, E. L. Winchell, from Woodford, O., to build the Empire National Bank building. Shortly after the work on the build-

WILL LEWIS IS TO BE RETAINED



William H. Lewis, the retiring president of the water works and sewerage board, and renominated by acclamation to succeed himself, was born and reared in Clarksburg and holds a position of honor and trust. Mr. Lewis is the son of the Honorable Mordcau Lewis, of the West Virginia Bank; a grandson of the late Colonel Luther Haymond, affectionately known as "Clarksburg's Grand Old Man," a nephew of Lee Haymond, Esquire, former cashier of the Merchants National Bank, and himself the efficient and popular member of the board; few men are so well equipped by reason of practical experience to discharge intelligently the duties which come before that body. At a time when the water supply system demanded the best thought of the citizenship of Clarksburg, Mr. Lewis was chosen as the Democratic member of the board created in 1909, for the purpose of carrying out a comprehensive program, by both the Republican and Democratic parties in convention assembled.

The unparalleled growth of the city made it imperative to rebuild the old water works system of 1888, and provide a wholesome and sanitary water supply. Accordingly an election was held and the issuance of bonds authorized. The work of rebuilding and remodeling the water works system and installing a modern filtration plant was brought to completion within the time specified and entirely within the funds available for the purpose. During a greater part of the new construction period, the water board, of which Mr. Lewis was president, held conferences of public meetings daily. For its services the board receives the same salary as members of the city council, namely, \$10.00 per month. From the very beginning of its control of the water works and sewerage systems the board has proceeded with a comprehensive program having for its ultimate object a water supply system adequate to serve greater Clarksburg with an abundance of potable water for domestic and manufacturing uses. Consulting engineers and hydraulic experts of national reputation, were the board's advisers from 1910 to 1911. A recent examination of the records discloses that the funds available were economically and judiciously expended.

The board believes that the water department should carry its own burdens and those contracted prior to its creation, and, therefore, voluntarily assumed several years ago the total outstanding water works obligations for the original construction of the works in 1888, as well as recent water works and sewerage improvement bonds amounting to \$240,000.00. The sum of \$18,400.00 is paid in cash by the board annually from water rentals. The city tax ticket is clear and clean of any levy for water works purposes since the creation of the board, January 28, 1909. Prior to 1909 the water works department was not self-sustaining and in addition to the regular water rent charges, an annual levy was laid for water works purposes. Clarksburg's water supply system is satisfying to all insurance companies carrying local risks and ranks as 98 per cent of standard requirements. The quality of the water as delivered into the consumers' service pipes is excellent and bacterially pure. It is a matter of common knowledge that within the water district typhoid fever has been reduced to a minimum. With respect to the subjects of the prevention of stream pollution and sewage disposal, the local water department has created a wide public interest throughout the state and its measure will ultimately be enacted into law. The Telegram wishes to be consistent and its unqualified endorsement of William H. Lewis, over his opponent, is solely in the interest of the public health and safety which the present board, consisting of William H. Lewis, president, John O. Brooks and Truman J. Lynch, has guarded so faithfully and well.

NO MODIFICATION. PARIS, Mar. 31.—The official communication from the war office today was limited to the following brief statement: "No modification of the situation has been reported since the last communication."

AUSTRIAN LOSSES

On a Single Day in Northeast Hungary Are Reported at Fully 18,000 Men.

GENEVA, via PARIS, Mar. 31.—Austrian losses in Lypta valley and the province of Bereg, northeast Hungary, on March 28 are estimated at 18,000 according to respatches received by Swiss newspapers. These advices state that a column of 4,000 Austrians was annihilated in less than an hour during a desperate action in Bereg province. Austrian troops in this territory are reported to be demoralized as a result of their enormous losses. The fighting in the Carpathians is going on during a heavy rainfall. The battle in Bukovina yesterday is reported to have resulted in favor of the Austrians. MARTINSBURG, March 31.—George Secret, a Baltimore and Ohio railroad trainman, fell under a train while trying to board it and was ground to death. He lived at Brunswick. PIERER RESIGNS. PARKERSBURG, March 31.—C. S. Pierer, for eight years secretary of the Parkersburg Business Men's Association, has resigned the position. J. B. Yeager is his successor.

Russia's Efforts Are Regarded of Vital Importance by German War Experts Now.

BALKAN NATIONS' ATTACK

May Be Made a Long Time before Allied Fleet Attains a Result.

LONDON, March 31.—The battle of the Carpathian passes now rivals the bombardment of the Dardanelles in political possibilities. German experts assert that the efforts being made by Russia are of such vital importance politically that the supreme command of the Teutonic allies is justified in exerting every effort to check the invader there. According to this view of the situation a sudden and dramatic influx of Muscovite hosts through the Carpathians into Hungary might stir the Balkan nations to action long before the tedious attack of the allied fleet on the Dardanelles attains anything approaching a definite result. Petrograd has officially warned the Russian people not to expect an early capitulation of Constantinople. There are no signs, however, that the allied fleet has given up the attack as battleships are again shelling the outer defenses of the straits while the Russian assault on the Bosphorus has merely been interrupted by a thick fog. On the western front the Germans are reported to be giving up their plan for breaking through the defenses of the allies near the coast along the Yser. They are making a new effort along the fortified Franco-German border by bombarding the fortress of Verdun. The reported withdrawal of cavalry from the Yser front, however, is of no great significance since the use of this arm of the service in that vicinity is greatly restricted on account of the floods. At the same time the continued bombardment of Neuport indicates that the Germans are still opposing any extension of the allied line along the Belgian coast. Internally England is still concerned with the labor and drink situation. The Liverpool dockers show no indication of receding from their demands. Commercial bodies are coming forward with offers to back the government in drastic action against the drink evil while the liquor interests are beginning to express fear of severe government regulation.

VILLAGE BOMBARDMENT IS RESUMED BY ALLIES

LONDON, Mar. 31.—A despatch from Constantinople says the allied fleet has resumed its bombardment of villages near the outer forts of the Dardanelles. Turkish aviators are making daily reconnaissances. GERMANY BIRD MEN ARE SAID TO BE ACTIVE. LONDON, Mar. 31.—Great activity has been displayed in the last few days by German aviators, according to semi-official Russian statement from Petrograd which reads as follows: "Fifteen German aeroplanes flew over Ostrolenka Monday dropping 100 bombs at an isolated house, which they apparently mistook for Russian headquarters. None of the bombs hit the house and the occupants were not injured. Near Jeddah they brought down an enemy aeroplane capturing the officer and the mechanic."

TURKISH AMMUNITION IS OF VERY POOR QUALITY

GENEVA, via PARIS, Mar. 31.—A Constantinople despatch received here states that Turkish ammunition is not lacking for the Turkish army, it is of poor quality. The supply of cartridges provided by Germany in March, 1914, has been exhausted and Turkey now is forced to rely on those of its own manufacture, which are inferior to those of German make.

FIGHTING ONCE MORE IN FULL SWING NOW

VIENNA, by wireless, to London, Mar. 31.—The cessation of fighting in Dukla pass lasted only twenty-four hours, the newspapers report, the Russians then bringing up fresh reserves. Fighting in the valley of Ondava and Laborca has recommenced and is now in full swing. The Austrian troops are fighting desperately, and the Russians, it is reported here, in spite of furious attacks with large forces have not been able to gain their objective at any point for an invasion of Hungary. The fighting in the Carpathians is going on during a heavy rainfall. The battle in Bukovina yesterday is reported to have resulted in favor of the Austrians.

BOMBARDMENTS MADE BY THE GERMAN FLEET

LONDON, Mar. 31.—A Libau correspondent sends a message saying that as a result of two bombardments of Libau by the German fleet three persons have been killed and seven wounded. Fifteen houses have been wrecked. The steamer *Baltica* in port sustained damage.

SENATOR THORN IS SURE WINNER



Fidelity to duty, efficiency in public service and a broad progressive spirit have been the chief characteristics of Hon. Arthur K. Thorn, the Republican nominee for city collector and treasurer. Serving two years in the city council, four years in the state senate and six years as a member of the board of education of the Clarksburg school district, he brought to each of these offices a splendid order of mind and made an enviable record of accomplishment for the city state and district. It is just such men as these that are a valuable asset to any city, and there is no one among the citizens of Clarksburg that is held in higher esteem and enjoys a greater measure of confidence because of that fidelity, efficiency and integrity than does Senator Thorn. The nomination for city collector and treasurer was conferred upon him by acclamation, and came as a pleasant surprise to the senator. That he will be elected to this important office, the Telegram believes there is not the least shadow of doubt. That he will bring to this office that same efficiency, accuracy and honesty, no one, for a moment, questions. Clarksburg delights to honor men who have given and are giving faithful and unselfish service in the promotion of the city's welfare.

BACK PAY AWARDED TO MINE EMPLOYEES

By Former Federal Judge Gray as Umpire for a Conciliation Board.

HAZLETON, Pa., March 31.—That electricians, electricians' helpers, watchmen, fire bosses, stable bosses, engineers and other monthly men in and about the anthracite mines are entitled to a wage advance of ten per cent dating from the amended agreement in effect between the operators and their employers since 1912 was decided today by former United States Judge Gray, of Wilmington, Del., as umpire for the anthracite conciliation board. The decision sustains the grievance of stable bosses, engineers and fire bosses of the Pancoast Price Coal Company, of Troop, Lackawanna county, who got a five and a half per cent wage advance in 1912, when the miners received ten per cent under the contract which went into effect that year. This means back pay to the extent of \$300 to some of the workers. Electricians and their helpers and other monthly employees of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Coal Company are given a ten per cent advance in a second decision in which the umpire ruled out the contention of the company that the award of 1902 applied only to those not working on a monthly basis. Many of the men benefited by the decision were not identified with the mine workers in 1902 and are not now affiliated with the union. J. B. Hart is a guest of the Wolcott hotel in New York City.

MAN ARRESTED

Charged with Setting Fire to French Line Steamship While a Passenger.

PARIS, Mar. 31.—Raymond Swoboda, one of the passengers aboard the French line steamship, *La Touraine*, which was imperiled by fire at sea on March 6, has been arrested charged with setting fire to the vessel, according to the *Matin*. Swoboda, the paper asserts, is suspected of having "close relations with the enemy" and correspondence found in his room is said to indicate he had been charged with the task of blowing up the *Touraine*. He has been taken to Havre.

SUICIDE ATTEMPTED BY A STENOGRAPHER

Who Objects to Working on a Jewish Holiday But She is Likely to Recover. Swallowing a poisonous acid in an office in the Union National Bank building at 9:20 o'clock Tuesday morning, Miss Sylvia Feinberg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Feinberg of Clark street, an expert stenographer, aged 17 years, made a narrow escape from death and she is not yet out of danger in a local hospital to which she was removed after prompt attention had been given her by physicians. Miss Feinberg took about two drachms of the acid out of a two-ounce bottle, and while her tongue was badly burned, it is not believed that she absorbed enough of the poison to cause death. After much labor on the part of physicians she was restored to consciousness and removed to the hospital. An elevator boy's timely discovery of what she had done figured in saving her life thus far. The girl came to the office about 9 o'clock, and when her employer came in she informed him that it was a Jewish holiday and that it was not her intention to work. She went home but was sent back to the office presumably by her mother only to swallow the poison. No other cause than that she did not want to work or feared that she had got her vacation can be assigned for her rash action. Attending physicians entertain hopes for her recovery.

BOMBS DROPPED

On Three Belgian Towns by French Aviators But No Damage is Done.

BERLIN, by wireless, Mar. 31.—French aviators yesterday dropped bombs on the Belgian towns of Bruges, Ghisteltes and Courtrai without doing any damage to military establishments, according to the German official statement today. In Courtrai near a hospital one Belgian was killed and one wounded. French attacks west of Pont-à-Mousson were repulsed. West of the forest of Le Pretre French assaults failed with heavy losses. On the eastern front Russian advances north of Augustow were repulsed. On the Russian frontier north of Memel the banks of the river were cleared of the enemy, the statement concludes.

SMALL HALL

Burglar Gets Only Few Dollars in Change at Bridgeport Store.

A burglar who broke into O. D. Barnes's general store at Bridgeport Tuesday night did not get very much for his pains. He got pennies and other small change amounting to \$3 or \$4 from a cash till and probably several small articles of merchandise, but so far the money is all that the proprietor has missed. If the burglar got more than the money, it did not amount to very much. Entrance was affected by removing a pane of glass from a slide window. The burglary was not discovered until Mr. Barnes opened the store for business at the usual time Wednesday morning. County officers have been notified of the occurrence and they are working on the case.

GERMAN SUBMARINE

May Have Been Sunk by a French Cruiser as Indicated in Statement.

PARIS, Mar. 31.—A statement indicating that a German submarine may have been sunk by a French cruiser was given out today by the ministry of marine. It is as follows: "Yesterday afternoon a French light cruiser sighted a German submarine maneuvering on the surface off Dieppe. The cruiser immediately gave chase forcing the submarine to dive, firing meanwhile at the periscope and turning in order to ram it with the bow. The cruiser passed above the submarine at the moment the periscope disappeared and from the spot where the submarine was last seen quantities of oil floated on the surface."

TO OPEN MINES

FAIRMONT, March 31.—The Consolidation Coal Company has arranged to open two large coal mining plants in the Farmington section and engineers are surveying a tract of 1,000 acres there, on which options aggregating \$150,000 were recently taken. A branch railroad connecting with the Baltimore and Ohio railroad will be built and mining villages will be established on Helen creek and the South Carolina fork.

KILLED WITH KICK

CHARLES TOWN, March 31.—Eugene Landers, twelve-year-old son of Mrs. Nathaniel McDonald, was kicked in the stomach by a horse and killed.

WESLEY FERRELL'S VICTIM SUCCUMBS

Gun Wound Causes Lock-Jaw and Death Ensues in a Local Hospital. Another alleged murder was registered upon the criminal records of the county at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning when William Corbin, of Union Heights, who was shot in the hip by Wesley Ferrell, Monday afternoon, March 22, passed away in a local hospital after suffering several days from lock-jaw caused by the wound. It is alleged that Ferrell and Corbin and the daughter, Miss Anna Corbin, were together at the time of the murder. Corbin followed Ferrell threatening to whip him, and then Ferrell turned upon him and shot him in the hip. Ferrell made good his escape at the time but was captured a few days ago at the home of a relative at Adamston and is now a prisoner in the county jail. The deceased man is survived by his widow, two sons and a daughter. The sons are William and Harry Corbin and the daughters are Miss Anna Corbin, all living at home. No funeral arrangements have been made yet. Dr. B. M. Mason, coroner, is making an investigation of the affair and will probably hold an inquest.