

EDITORIAL COMMENTS.

Lesser volcano is still at it.
Billy Sunday's meeting at Pater-
son, N. J., resulted in 77,000 conver-
sions.
After 50 years, the thin ranks of
veterans in gray are once more in
Richmond.

The Italians have seized Rhodes.
Well, why not? All Rhodes former-
ly led to Rome.

A Kansas woman weighing 587
pounds has just married a man
weighing 118 pounds.

Count Tolstol's son who tunneled
his way out of an Austrian military
prison, has been recaptured.

The Austrians are trying to put
back the silent letters into the name
Przemysl, discarded by the Russians
as useless.

One of the British steamers sunk
by the Germans last week was the
Spennore. At any rate, the name
represented something.

There are 2,256 delegates in the
Republican convention at Lexington
June 5. Christian with 46 has more
delegates than any county except
Jefferson.

Knox Booth, revenue agent at
Nashville, has been missing for sev-
eral days and is wanted on a charge
of conspiracy to defraud the govern-
ment.

W. M. Byrd, of Mineral Wells,
Texas, has asked the government to
investigate the reported execution
of his son, W. M. Byrd, Jr., by Mex-
ican soldiers at Tampico.

Theophile Braga, who was Provi-
sional President of Portugal follow-
ing the revolution which drove out
King Manuel, was Saturday elected
President of the republic.

Most of the newspapers of Ken-
tucky are giving the candidates a
square deal by letting them exploit
themselves in the advertising col-
umns. As a result many have been
lost in the shuffle.

Becker, under sentence to die July
12, says he wants his wife to cease
efforts to save him, by an appeal for
clemency. "I'm through; don't want
anything done. Have lost faith in
God and man," he said.

The English battleships do not al-
ways live up to their names. Those
sunk by the Germans to date are,
the "Invincible," the "Goliath," the
"Majestic," the "Triumph," the
"Aulacious," and the "Bulwark."

No bodies of the 21 officers and
crew of the submarine F-4 were
found in the forward hold of the ves-
sel when a diver entered it Friday.
The vessel is in water 24 feet deep
and the bodies are supposed to be in
another compartment.

Madame Kokovtseva, a Russian
woman, was recently awarded the
Cross of St. George for bravery.
She is the colonel commanding the
6th Ural Cossack regiment and is
called the "Russian Joan of Arc"
and has been twice wounded while
fighting.

Prisoners taken by Russian armies
and interned in Russia up to the
first of April, according to figures
made public Sunday, number 10,734
officers and 605,378 men. In addi-
tion the statement says, great num-
bers of Galicia prisoners have been
found and sent home.

Young Woman Suicides

Miss Leslie Robertson, daughter
of the late Sam Robertson, who lives
in Trigg county, committed suicide
by jumping into a cistern on the
farm of Robert Hall in that county.
Miss Robertson was about 30 years
old and an attractive and popular
young woman, and no reason has
been advanced or given for her act.

GERMANY'S ANSWER IS AVASIVE

Waits Two Weeks, Then Dodges a Direct Answer to Lusi- tania Note.

PRESIDENT WILL STAND PAT. Hint That We Are On Verge of Breaking off Diplomatic Relations.

Washington, May 31.—Germany's
reply to the American note sent after
the sinking of the Lusitania was
delivered to Ambassador Gerard at
Berlin Saturday. It does not speci-
fically answer the American repre-
sentations concerning the sinking of
the liner, nor the demand for the
discontinuance of submarine warfare
on merchant vessels. These points
are left for further negotiations.
The Berlin note expresses regret for
attacks on American vessels, which
are said to have been unintentional.
Compensation is offered in cases
wherein Germany is shown to have
been at fault. The note charges, as
a basis of negotiations, that the Lus-
itania was a British naval auxiliary,
carrying mounted guns as well as
troops and munitions. The United
States is asked what steps have been
taken, if any, to induce Great Brit-
ain to depart from its policy of cut-
ting off Germany's importations of
food supplies.

The avasive nature of the reply
has produced a feeling of profound
disappointment here. Dissatisfac-
tion at the failure of Germany to
answer the demands of the United
States was reflected in government
circles generally.

There was little concealment any-
where that the answer from Berlin
had produced a grave situation in
the relations between United States
and Germany.

The official text from Ambassador
Gerard will be placed before the
President early today. There will
be a cabinet meeting Tuesday.

PROMPT ANSWER EXPECTED.

From a previous knowledge of
President Wilson's position, it was
generally predicted that a prompt
answer would be sent to Berlin, per-
haps within 24 to 48 hours. This is
expected to give the American gov-
ernment understanding of the facts,
that the Lusitania was unarmed and
carried concealed guns, that she
sailed from the United States a
peaceful merchantman, and that un-
der all rules of international law
and humanity, the vessel should have
been visited and searched and her
passengers transferred to a place of
safety, whether she carried ammu-
nition or not. American law does not
prohibit ammunition from being car-
ried on passenger ships, it will be as-
serted, but only self-exploding ma-
terial, and liners in the past have
been permitted to carry arms and
ammunition by special ruling of the
state department of the meaning of
federal statutes.

Germany's failure even to discuss
the reparation demanded by the
American note and evasion of the
request that guarantees be given
that American vessels and lives be
not endangered in the future are the
main points, however, to which the
United States government, it was
generally believed, would advert in
the second note. The expression of
regret and offers of reparation for
unintentional attacks on neutral
ships are expected to have little
weight in determining the nature of
the response of the United States.
When the note of May 13, was sent
it was pointed out that such promises
did not remove the risks to which
American vessels and lives were sub-
jected—and to support this conten-
tion, the United States will add, it is
said, that the American steamer Ne-
braska was torpedoed without warn-
ing within the last few days.

ATTITUDE OF UNITED STATES.

While it is generally thought the

DR. TUPPER PREACHED

At The Baptist Church Sunday Night and Chautauqua Mu- sicians Sang.

SEN. LAFOLLETTE LAST NIGHT

Closed a Successful Week For The Alkahest Chau- tauqua.

The Alkahest Chautauqua closed
its week's engagement here last
night with an address by Senator La-
Follette, of Wisconsin, on the Prob-
lems of the Day. The program of the
entire day Monday was one of the
best of the week. The crowd last
night to hear the distinguished states-
man of national reputation was the
largest of the six days.

There was no Sunday program this
year. On Sunday night Rev. Dr. Tu-
pper, the manager, who is a Baptist
minister, preached a powerful
sermon at the First Baptist Church,
on the subject: "Jesus of Nazareth
went about doing good."

The church was filled to its capac-
ity and a delightful musical pro-
gram was rendered by the Metropolitan
Quartette who sang two hymns,
and by the local quartette, Messrs.
White and Trice and Misses Espie
and Miller.

Two of the Chautauqua musicians
also sang solos.

The chautauqua was instrumental
in bringing to Hopkinsville some high
class music and some high class lec-
turers. It has been well said that the
chautauqua with all that it stands
for of culture and moral and mental
uplift is a purely American institu-
tion.

When the early chautauqua move-
ment was started by Bishop John H.
Vincent and Lewis Miller over 40
years ago they could not have dream-
ed that the short season they planned
for religious study and conference
would have developed into the mag-
nificent New York chautauqua, with
its beautiful surroundings, its 60-day
season, and hundreds of teachers and
speakers, and the allied course of
home study. But great as are these
results, a development of more value
is the circuit chautauqua, which may
be called the people's university.

Through this plan comparatively
small towns may have the benefit of
a chautauqua season at a small cost.
On its platform are heard the fore-
most thinkers of the country; men
who stand for lofty ideas and signal
achievements. Through them the
principles of politics, civics, humani-
tarianism, science and art are brought
to the people in a way that cannot
but be inspiring, and leave some de-
sire in the heart of the adult and
and still more in the heart of the
youth to be something, to do some-
thing worth while in a world of ac-
tion.

United States will answer Germany's
requests for facts with a restatement
of the circumstances as recited
in the American note of May 13, the
promptness with which the reply
will be dispatched is counted upon
to serve as an indication that the
American government wishes an
early answer and does not desire to
engage in a protracted diplomatic
discussion.

Persons close to President Wilson
have learned that he is determined
to obtain reparation for the Lusi-
tania victims and assurances of re-
spect for American rights in future,
and that failing in this, he would not
hesitate to sever diplomatic relations
with Germany.

In German quarters here, it was
again reiterated that the Lusitania
was armed.

To controvert this, the United
States has proof gathered before the
American note was sent that there
were no guns aboard. Furthermore,
the British government entered into
an informal agreement with the
United States early in the war to see
that no British vessels left American
ports armed.

BIG BUNCH NOTABLES

Will Be Here Thursday With The Morgan Excursion- ists.

GREAT TIME IN PROSPECT.

Automobile Trip Over South Christian And Barbecue At Noon.

An imposing array of state and
government officials will be mem-
bers of the party of central and
eastern Kentucky farmers and farm
demonstrators who will visit Warren
and Christian counties next Thurs-
day. Geoffrey Morgan, now state
agent for the farmers' co-operative
demonstration work, is the man who
first suggested the trip.

Among the notables will be As-
sistant Secretary of Agriculture
Karl Kroon and Bradford Knapp,
demonstrator of farm work also the
following state officials: President
Henry S. Barker, of state university;
Dr. Fred Mutchler, director of farm
extension work; Prof. George Rob-
erts, state agronomist; Prof. C. W.
Mathews head of horticultural de-
partment; Prof. E. C. Goode, head
of the animal husbandry department;
Dr. Robert Graham, state veterina-
rian; Dr. H. K. Wright, assistant
state veterinarian; Hon. J. W. New-
man, commissioner of agriculture;
Dr. F. W. Musselman, state veteri-
narian; Dr. J. G. Crabbe, president
of Eastern normal school; Prof. J.
H. Pullen, head of the agricultural
department of eastern normal
school; Geoffrey Morgan, state
agent for the co-operative farm dem-
onstration work.

The visiting farmers and agricul-
tural agents from all over Kentucky
will be here Thursday morning early
and will be taken to Hotel Latham
for breakfast. After breakfast the
entire party and the guides from the
Business Men's Organization, will
traverse a large part of the county
in 100 or more automobiles and re-
turn at noon to a great free barbe-
cue at the grounds of the Pennyroyal
Fair. There will be no admission
charged and a great crowd is ex-
pected. There will be a speaking
program at the fair grounds. In the
afternoon there will be another in-
spection trip to the country, return-
ing to W. R. Brumfield's to a straw-
berry supper. Then back to town
and a park meeting after supper.

Geoffrey Morgan will bring with
him 138 Bluegrass visitors and fully
as many have accepted invitations
from the local committee. At least
200 guides will go with the visitors
to explain the points of interest.

The itinerary for the forenoon
will be out Nashville pike to Bradshaw
road, thence to the Holland place,
thence across to Tobacco road, thence
to J. J. Garrett's, thence through
Garrett and Pendleton farms, cross-
ing Bradshaw road, by F. B. Lacy's
and Richard Leavell's to Bolivar
on Clarksville pike, down pike to Clardy
highway, south of Oak Grove, thence
by highway to Bell's station, return-
ing between the farms of Jno. W.
Garnett and Howard Brame to Mill-
er's road, thence by Clarksville pike
to city and fair grounds. After dinner
will go out Cox Mill road, and re-
turn by Canton pike, going through
farms of E. D. Jones, A. M. Henry,
R. H. McLaughy and others.

Chairman L. H. Davis, of the
Transportation Committee, has 93
cars promised, but wants at least 25
more, as the number of visitors will
be larger than previously reported.
Those who have donated cars so far
are:

- S. T. Ashmore, J. M. Adams, Cnas.
D. Adams, Dr. T. P. Allen, W. B.
Anderson, John H. Bell, Douglas
Bell, Dr. Manning Brown, J. W.
Brown, Dr. J. L. Barker, Dr. T. W.
Blakey, Jack Bronaugh, Cranor &
Clark, Dr. M. E. Croft, R. E. Cooper,
Geo. I. Crabtree, M. C. Carneal,
W. R. Crider, H. H. Chapman, C. C.
Carter, A. S. Clardy, W. A. Cham-
bers, H. W. Dorris, Guy Doherty,
Lucian Dade, J. F. Ellis, A. H. Eck-

ORATORS TO-NIGHT

High School Orators Will Dis- cuss The European War Merits.

WAS GERMANY JUSTIFIABLE

Nearly Thirty Graduates To Receive Diplomas Thursday Night.

The annual debate of the literary
societies of the High School will be
held at the Tabernacle to-night and
six young men will contest for the
class medal for oratory.

The question will be the attitude
of Germany in the present war.
Joel Roberts, Livingston Leavell
and Tandy Wadlington will affirm
that Germany is justifiable and H.
K. Jarrett, Jas. Skerritt and Jas.
Higgins will deny.

Thursday night the following sen-
iors will receive diplomas:

- Lucy Allensworth, Lorene Allen,
Luella Cowherd, Fern Fortner,
Doretta Grau, Viva Locker, Harriet
Major, Verna Pool, Virginia Parsley,
Karlina Robinson, Mary Rice, Bertha
Thomas, Jamie Walker, Lenora
Wall, Ida Means, Edward S. Dab-
ney, Wesley Dalton, James Higgins,
H. K. Jarrett, Gilmer Pursley,
Andrew Quarles, Joe Randle, Jas.
Skerritt, Henry Stites, Thos. Under-
wood, Cooper Weeks, Harold Weav-
er, Tandy Wadlington.

Old Veteran Convicted.

Georgetown, May 28.—Lsz Allen,
who says he is more than eighty
years old, was sentenced to years'
imprisonment in the penitentiary
Wednesday in Scott Circuit Court for
the murder of Moody Smith, 18 years
old. Allen is a Union veteran.

Conference Ends.

The Pan-American Financial Con-
ference came to an end Saturday
night after six days' discussion of
the problems which have confronted
the two Americas as a consequence
of the European war.

Lost Infant Daughter.

An infant daughter of Mr. and
Mrs. Charles Washington Jones, who
resides on Mr. Bailey Atkins' farm
on the Clarksville pike, died Sunday
and the remains were interred in
Riverside Cemetery yesterday.

- les, Sam Frankel, L. E. Foster, M.
C. Forbes, R. J. Garrett, Dr. J. G.
Galtner, Jno. W. Garnett, J. Thos.
Garnett, E. H. Higgins, W. C. Hole-
man, Robt. Holeman, W. H. Ham-
mond, W. R. Hammond, C. F. John-
son, T. P. Johnson, T. C. Jones,
Lucian Jones, H. A. Keach, Richard
Leavell, L. L. Leavell, Chas. R.
Lewis, Moses L. Levy, W. C. Lind-
say, Mrs. T. W. Long, Clyde Lacey,
Dr. A. W. Lovan, J. J. Metcalfe, W.
S. Mitchell, Ben Moore, M. A. Ma-
son, J. P. Myers, Geo. H. Merritt,
H. I. Minty, W. H. Massie, R. H.
McLaughy, T. J. McReynolds, A.
D. Noe & Son, Ed Petrie, John Pe-
trie, Dr. W. S. Petrie, E. G. Peter-
son, P. B. Pendleton, Esq., W. L.
Parker, S. A. Powell, J. H. Robin-
son, Jno. L. Rives, T. S. Rives, Wm.
Smootherman, Jewell W. Smith, Dr.
H. P. Sights, G. H. Stowe, Robert
Stowe, Wm. Summers, Ferd Schmitt,
Prattice Sallee, Dr. Sandbach, Dr. J.
E. Stone, Dr. A. H. Tunks, W. T.
Tandy, E. R. Tandy, Mrs. Lillian
Van Hooser, Frank Vaughan, S. U.
Woodriddle, Dr. J. A. B. Word, Wm.
Wilson, and Dr. S. H. Williams.

The following owners of cars have
not been seen by the committee, but
are expected to respond:

- Dave McCord, W. E. Trahern, W.
J. Wilson, Wm. Wilson, Bailey Wall-
er, Virgil Acree, Sam Bumpus, Binns
Bros., Clint Cayce, J. E. Cooper, G.
L. Dulin, Dr. E. L. Gates, Dr. S. H.
Grace, Dr. W. A. Haynes, Marvin
Lowry, P. N. Lee, Roy Kenner, W.
W. Radford, T. L. Rives, C. E. Siv-
ley, Bud Robinson, Dr. H. W. Watts,
Geo. W. Clark and J. M. Maddox.

BIG BATTLE RAGING IN THE EAST

Teutonic Allies Are Making Su- preme Efforts to Capture Przemysl.

PROGRESS HAS BEEN SLOW

French Report Occupation of German Trenches Along Yser Canal.

London, May, 31.—Around the
great fortress of Przemysl a mighty
battle is still raging. The Austro-
German armies are making a su-
preme effort to cut off the strong-
hold and free these armies for opera-
tions against Italy and the allies in
the west.

Although great human sacrifices
are being made, progress latterly has
been extremely slow, as the Russians
have had time to bring up large re-
inforcements.

North of Przemysl the Russians
appear to be more than holding their
own, but to the southeast the Aus-
trians and Germans claim further
headway and now command with
their artillery the railway between
Przemysl and Grodek. From Lem-
berg the Russians draw a large por-
tion of their reinforcements and sup-
plies.

The battle is still undecided and
hopes run high in the allied camps
that the Russians can hold their lines
until the advance of the Italians and
the strengthening of the Anglo-
French armies compel the Germans
to withdraw part of their armies
from Galicia.

In the west there has been consid-
erable fighting along the Yser canal,
where the French report the occupa-
tion of German trenches, and in the
vicinity of Neuville St. Vaast, where
the French advanced about a quarter
of a mile.

The German official statement says
that after a ten-hour artillery at-
tack east of the Yser canal the allies
were repulsed.

The steamer Tullochmoor has been
sunk by a German submarine, while
considerable alarm was caused Sun-
day by a report that the White Star
liner Megantic, bound from Liver-
pool for Montreal, with many pass-
engers aboard, was being chased.
The liner, however, escaped.

Height of Fanaticism.

Mr. McChesney, a candidate for
the Democratic nomination for Gov-
ernor, is charged in the Frankfort
Courier with the statement, that
"we would rather see a 'dry' Re-
publican in the United States Senate
than a 'wet' Democrat." Since pro-
hibition is not a cardinal tenet of the
political faith of the Kentucky De-
mocracy, nor of our grand old Presi-
dent, it seems rather strange that a
candidate who is seeking the suffrage
of the people should be based upon
a single issue, on which opinions of
just as good men as he differ.

The thrust is plainly aimed at Sen-
ator James, who, though a local op-
tionist, refuses to stand for the
statewide propaganda. Mr. Mc-
Chesney and his crowd would over-
turn the young giant who has been
the strong right arm of the Presi-
dent from the time he went into the
Senate until the present good hour,
and install in his place a Republican
in order to carry out his plans.

This may suit Mr. McChesney's
wishes, but we don't believe the
Democrats of Kentucky are willing
to following him in his new crusade.
—Bowling Green Messenger.

Death at Gracey.

Cyril Stewart, son of Mr. Rufus
W. Stewart, of Gracey, died Friday
midnight, aged about 21 years. He
had been a sufferer for several weeks
with mastoid affection. The inter-
ment took place in the Lander bury-
ing ground Saturday afternoon.