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GERMANY URGES ENGLAND TO REMAIN ALOOF FROM THE EUROPEAN CONFLICT

AMERICAN FINANCES GOOD STATES WILSON

President Wilson Issues An Appeal to the People of United States Not to Become Alarmed Over War Developments As This Country Is Prepared to Withstand Any Financial Crisis.

AMERICAN CONSULS WILL ASSIST ALL AMERICANS NOW IN EUROPE

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3.—President Wilson and congress today moved promptly in taking steps to afford relief to the thousands of Americans stranded in European war zones and to preserve the financial stability of the country in view of the disorganizations of credit systems abroad.

MISTRIAL RESULTED CASE AGAINST MARIA BARBOSA

JURY THAT HAD BEEN OUT SINCE
FRIDAY NOON UNABLE TO
REACH VERDICT IN
MURDER CASE.

After being out since Friday noon the jury that had to choose the case of Maria Barbosa, charged with murder, but unable to reach a verdict, was discharged today. A report issued shortly after noon stated that the jury, after a long conference, was unable to reach a verdict.



MRS. FRANK P. SPEARE
Katherine May Vinton, a graduate of LaSalle seminary, was married recently to Frank Palmer Speare, director of educational work in the Boston Y. M. C. A. Mr. Speare forfeited a fortune of \$600,000 willed him by his first wife on the condition that he remain unmarried, but he has an ample fortune in his own right.

KINGSVILLE GIRL JAILED CHARGED WITH ASSAULT

JOSE PENA SERIOUSLY INJURED
AND MARY MOORE IN JAIL
CHARGED WITH AS-
SAULT TO MURDER

After the girl had been struck it is alleged that she pulled a knife and started slashing. Pena was hurled backward in the body and uttering shrieks of pain that his recovery is doubtful. Mary Moore, who is in jail, denies all connection with the killing and says that she made no attempt to help Pena.

WAR PREPARATIONS ARE BEING RUSHED

All Great European Powers Except Italy and Most of Secondary Powers Are Mobilizing With All Possible Energy---Italy Will Begin Mobilizing Today---English Sentiment Is Strongly For War.

CROWDS PARADE LONDON STREETS CLAMORING FOR WAR DECLARATION

LONDON, Aug. 3.—The German embassy in London is exerting every effort of diplomacy to induce Great Britain to hold aloof from the conflict and to bring public opinion in Germany's aid. The consul of the German embassy issued a strong appeal for the neutrality of Great Britain asserting that Germany would agree to keep her fleet from attacking the Northern and Western coasts of France and would pledge neutrality and argued that English would gain more in the end by standing outside the European war and using her influence as a mediator when the moment was ripe.

ENGLISH PARTIES UNITED FOR WAR

London, Aug. 3.—The English political parties are united for war. The Liberal party, the Conservative party, the Labour party, and the Irish Nationalists are all in favor of a declaration of war against Germany.

OKLAHOMA STATE PRIMARY TODAY

OKLAHOMA CITY, August 3.—The Oklahoma state primary election will be held today. The election will determine the members of the state legislature and the state officers for the next two years.

LATE SEASON SPECIALS

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Aviator Who Flew in Texas Killed in First Air Battle

INDIANAPOLIS, August 3.—The first battle in the air was fought near Natchez, between a French aeroplane and a German Zeppelin. Both men engaged in the fight were killed.

According to the reports received here, Roland Garros, the French flyer, sighted the German dirigible shortly after it had crossed the border from Mexico-Louisiana. The dirigible was on a mission of reconnaissance and was destroyed by twenty German soldiers. It is reported to have been sent up for about fifty feet from the bottom balloon which caused the French flyer to fall.

Garros, who had been scouting about the territory for some time after news of the German invasion was received, started the dirigible at a height of more than one thousand feet. He drove his two hydrogen-filled dirigible at the dirigible.

Initially the huge air bag exploded with a terrific detonation followed by a burst of flame. The dirigible, hopelessly entangled in the wreck of the dirigible, crashed with it to the earth, engulfed flames and without a chance to clear itself from the debris.

Garros and the twenty-five German soldiers probably were dead before they struck the ground. All that could be recovered from the smoldering pile after the flames had been quenched was some charred fragments of human flesh and bones, according to the report received here.

It is supposed that Garros knew when he headed his monoplane for the camouflaged, comparatively slow-moving dirigible that a collision was his only hope of destroying it and that such a collision would surely be fatal to himself as well as to the German flyer.

Such advice as had been received here concerning the battle, made that Garros did not hesitate for the fraction of a second when called upon to throw his own life away in the service of his country and the spirit of self-sacrifice, military experts declare tonight, will undoubtedly be the most characteristic of future engagements in the air, which perhaps may be of frequent occurrence within the next few days as a large fleet of German dirigibles is known to be at the border and a corresponding large number of French monoplanes is ready to repel them when they cross French territory.

Roland Garros, the French aviator, mentioned in the foregoing dispatch, who hurried his monoplane against the German Zeppelin airship, visited the United States about three years ago on a tour with his monoplane. He made several flights at Houston, Dallas and Fort Worth. He also made flights in other cities of the United States. Garros is the son of a Paris banker.

General Strike Upon Western Railroads Has Been Averted By President Wilson

One of the Greatest Victories of Wilson Administration Came Yesterday When Railroad Managers and Employees Agreed Not to Strike But to Submit Their Differences to Arbitration Board for Settlement.

WASHINGTON, August 3.—One of the greatest victories that has come to Woodrow Wilson since his inauguration came today when he secured the promise of all managers of the Western Railroads upon the one hand and of the business and firemen employed by the



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companies that a strike will not result as the outcome of differences that exist.

Both the employers and the employees agreed to avoid a strike and to settle their differences by mediation. This will avoid a railroad tie-up that would have cost millions of dollars in loss and would have probably thrown out of employment thousands of men in Texas, Kansas, Missouri and many other states.

Ninety-eight railroads were affected by the demands. They included virtually every line in the United States west of Chicago and also the Illinois Central road, in Canada every line west of Fort William, one thousand miles of roadway and \$5,500,000 employees, firemen and hostlers drawing \$67,520,000 annual wages were affected.

The men's committee was headed by Warren B. Hodge, grand chief of the Brotherhood of locomotive engineers, and W. B. Carter, president of the Brotherhood of locomotive firemen and engineers. A. H. Trevelyan, general manager of the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha Railway, was chairman of the managers' committee.

Among the railroads in Texas affected by the demands of the men and upon which a strike has been averted, are the San Antonio and Arkansas Pass, the Frisco, Santa Fe, Texas and Gulf, Denver and Rio Grande, El Paso and Southern, Fort Worth and Gulf, International and Great Northern, Kansas City Southern, Missouri, Kansas and Texas, Iron Mountain, Southwestern Pacific, Houston East and West Texas and others.

Meeting their demand on the increased cost of living, the men called for increases in pay and overtime allowances, which they said, would just about cover the advance in the cost of necessities in the past four years.