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Entente Allies Continue Advance In France; Teutons Deal Roumanians Serious Blow

SMASH OF BANKS STARTS INQUIRY INTO METHODS

PRESIDENTS OF A NUMBER OF PRIVATE FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS HAVE BEEN PLACED UNDER ARREST AT CHICAGO.

POOR FOREIGNERS CAUGHT

Wildcat Concerns that Catered to Alien Element of the Population Made Subject of Investigation—Four Have Failed Within Two Weeks.

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INLAND WATERWAYS NECESSARY TO PROPER DEFENSE OF NATION

REAR ADMIRAL BENSON ADVOCATES DEVELOPMENT OF COASTAL CHANNELS.

LESSON FROM GERMANY

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 16.—One [illegible] of a great system of inland waterways and coastal canals connecting cities in time of peace and to be of assistance first in war was advocated by Admiral Benson, chief of naval operations, in a speech here tonight before the Atlantic Deeper Way Association. The value of such a system, the admiral declared, would be [illegible] long prior to any fall of the war of conscription.

Among lessons revealed the operations of the war, the speaker continued, [illegible] pointing out that "it would have allowed concentration of the national forces for defense. Realizing the full importance we are going to derive from it, Germany is supplying other ways by railroad. The admiral said:

"A system of canals connecting the various ports along our Atlantic coast would facilitate and safeguard the passage of warships, destroyers, torpedo boats, fast motor boats, etc., up and down our coast wherever and whenever they might be needed.

"Information from abroad clearly shows the immense economic and military importance of the canal system, particularly the German in time of war.

GERMANS BEHEAD YOUNG WOMAN CONVICTED OF MURDER AND ROBBERY

BERLIN, Sept. 16.—The headsman's ax was used today in the execution of Johanna Ellmann, one of the two participants in a murder here last March by female accomplice in the crime, in which a girl friend of the two was shot, robbed and cut up, is still awaiting beheading.

TODAY'S CALENDAR.

Local forecast for today: Partly cloudy; Light to moderate southerly winds.

At the Theatres.

Amuzu—"Diction of the Seventh" is the last war drama produced by the Vitagraph Company.

Bijou—Kate Bagnell playing a dual role in "The Chance Market" is a sixty minute adventure in the underworld.

Bijou—Otis Harlan in Mack's comedy success "A Mile Wide Plus."

Lyric—Tyrone Power in "John Needham's Double" is Blue Bird Feature.

Today's Local Calendar.

Usual services in the churches of the city.

Third Infantry versus Elks baseball, League Park this afternoon at 3:15 o'clock.

KING'S COUNSELLOR CHALLENGED TO DUEL BY GREEK POLITICIAN

ATHENS, Sept. 16.—Georgios Streit, King Constantine's most intimate counsellor, has been challenged to a duel by Georgios Mokarzis, formerly the king's private secretary.

Mokarzis, who has his position on account of his sympathies with former Premier Venizelos, in an open letter to Streit charges him with being responsible for the "disastrous results of the Germanophile policy of Greece."

Streit was foreign minister of Greece at the outbreak of the war.

GERMAN MERCHANTS PLANNING TO REGAIN TRADE LOST BY WAR

DETERMINED EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO RECOVER SOUTH AMERICAN MARKETS.

THEY FACE DIFFICULT TASK

BERLIN, Sept. 16.—That German business men mean to make a determined effort to recover the ground lost in Latin-American markets after the war is over is the conclusion that may be drawn from recent events of the German Business Association for South and Central America. This organization, which was only formed on Sept. 1, 1915, has already about 1,700 members, consisting for the most part of German business firms interested in the South and Central American trade.

In an interview with a correspondent of The Associated Press the assistant of the home first office of the association said that it is maintaining not a general existence now in view of the fact that no business correspondence of Germans with the exception of war material is possible. The society however, has representatives, usually German business men, in all centers of trade in these countries and nearly all of them have stuck where they were and manage, at great risk in many cases, to keep their businesses going in some way. The position of these men will be drawn upon soon immediately after the war closes to give all help in their power to the home and enable for resuming German trade.

That the road to success lies open and is in no case so difficult as it seemed to all German business men. "There are different views among us," said the spokesman of the association, "as to the advisability of the association, as to the advisability of the association, as to the advisability of the association,