

EXECUTION SHOCKS THE ENTIRE WORLD

MISS EDITH CAVELL IS PUT TO DEATH BY GERMAN FIRING SQUAD.

"PREPARED TO DIE," SHE SAYS

Teuton Soldiers Weep as They Obey Orders to Shoot English Girl.

London, Oct. 23.—Edith Cavell, the English nurse executed by the Germans at Brussels, died bravely when she was put to death by a Teuton firing squad in the darkness of the early morning of October 21, despite the efforts of the American legation to save her life, she showed the same calmness that she displayed before the court martial that sentenced her to death for helping soldiers escape from Belgium.

Miss Cavell refused to be blindfolded. A dispatch from Amsterdam quotes her as saying, "I am not afraid to die."

It states that when Miss Cavell faced the firing squad she wore the nursing uniform which had been her costume while in the hospital where she nursed British, Belgian and German soldiers alike. On her bosom she had pinned a small Union Jack.

The firing squad that killed Miss Cavell consisted of Landstrum soldiers from the Brussels garrison. Some of its members, the Amsterdam dispatch added, wept as they obeyed the order to fire upon her. Miss Cavell's body was buried in the cemetery at Ixelles, a suburb of Brussels, and probably will remain there until after the war. When hostilities end her remains will be brought to London and imposing funeral services held there.

The burst of indignation that swept over England when it was learned that Miss Cavell had been executed was intensified today by the publication today of the official records in the case, including the report of Brand Whitlock, American minister to Belgium, upon his efforts to save her.

FOOTBALL RESULTS.

Auburn 25, A. and M. 0; at Birmingham.

U. of A., 16, Tulane 0, at Tuscaloosa.

Vanderbilt 93, U. of M. 0, at Memphis.

Mr. Robert Betts, who is a student at the A. and M., is spending the week-end here with homefolk.

COLLEGE STUDENT ENJOYS ANNUAL MOCK WEDDING

ELABORATE AFFAIR WAS HELD IN CHAPEL OF I. I. & C. LAST NIGHT.

The annual college wedding, which is supposed to unite the junior and freshman classes took place last evening in the chapel of the Industrial Institute and College, and was a very gorgeous and beautiful affair.

The chapel was elaborately decorated in a color scheme of yellow and white. The chandeliers were decorated in yellow chrysanthemums and white tulle. In the background a moon cast a soft light over the scene.

The wedding ceremony was very impressively led by Miss Mary Roubush, of the physical training department, the bride, Miss Leslie Hill, of Jackson, was radiantly beautiful in a white satin dress with train, wearing a veil and carrying bride's roses. The groom, Miss Cove Cook, of Hattiesburg, was handsome in the regulation evening suit. Miss Nettie Grace, of Macon, was the pretty maid of honor, while Miss Almarina Brown, of Pontotoc, was the best man. The following six young ladies, dressed in handsome costumes of yellow, and carrying yellow chrysanthemums, acted as bride's maids: Misses Hortense Stoner, Rachael McInnis, Fay Lampson, Nell Carter, Martha Eggleston, and Ruth Landrum. The groomsmen were: Misses Ruth Culley, Mildred Bennett, Bentley Gandy, Winnifred Young, Oden Ferrell and Mattie Pegues. Miss Louise Cox, of this city, gave the bride away.

Immediately after the ceremony, a reception was held, and delicious refreshments were served to the bridal party.

COMPLETE CHANGE IN CIVIC CHAMBER

COMMERCIAL CLUB IS BEING REORGANIZED THROUGHOUT.

HOLD ELECTION TUESDAY NIGHT

Membership Campaign Will Be Continued Into the Coming Week.

At a meeting of the campaign workers for the Chamber of Commerce membership held in the office of the Chamber on Friday night, it was decided to continue the campaign over into this week, with the idea of getting as large a list of members as possible by the time of the election of officers and directors, which takes place in the city hall on Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock.

The workers have raised to date a fund of \$3,000 per year for a period of three years, and it is confidently believed that the sum will be increased to an excess of \$4,000 by Tuesday night. One hundred and sixty persons or firms have signed cards to date, which is by far the best membership list that has ever been gotten together in Columbus.

The Board of Directors on Wednesday night decided to make the reorganization complete from the ground up, and as a result they have ordered sent out to the entire membership the referendum produced below. The referendum method of election is the most satisfactory way of conducting such a matter in the experience of numerous organizations in different sections of the country:

"The Chamber of Commerce in its re-creation is making a clean slate and starting anew in every way. On Tuesday, October 26th, at 7:30 o'clock in the city hall a meeting of the entire membership will be held for the purpose of adopting a new constitution and by-laws for the department plan of organization and to elect a new board of directors.

"Carefully consider all available material in Columbus, and then fill out below with the names of the men who are your choice to hold the respective positions in the new Chamber of Commerce. Remember that the Chamber has a serious work ahead of it. Also remember that a 'genial fellow,' or a 'good mixer' will not necessarily make an efficient president or a competent department head. The Chamber of Commerce should select men to responsible positions because of their fitness and aptitude.

"The three highest mentioned by the referendums will be placed in nomination the night of the meeting, one of the three to be elected for each position. The referendum gives you an opportunity to use your voice.

- 1. For President; 2. for Vice-President; 3. for Director of Organization Affairs; 4. for Director of Retail Affairs; 5. for Director of Public Affairs; 6. for Director of Agricultural Affairs; 7. for Director of Business Affairs; 8. for Director at Large; 9. for Director at Large; 10. for Director at Large.

"It is important that this referendum be returned, filled out, not later than 5 o'clock Tuesday evening, October 26th. It is your duty as a member of the Chamber of Commerce to use this referendum."

The officers and directors are very anxious that a full attendance be had at the meeting on Tuesday night. In addition to the election of officers at this meeting will be read and adopted the program of work for the organization for the ensuing year. This program is being built on suggestions of the entire membership as a result of a referendum that has been circulated among the members:

Referendum 1.
"You are invited to carefully consider the three questions following and write in the blank spaces the answers to them:
"These questions are intended to elicit from the members of the Chamber of Commerce mature opinions of the work this organization should place on its program for the coming year. The first question is frankly expected to bring a purely selfish answer. The second question will produce plans for progress outside of your own line of work; it will demand 'enlightened selfishness' in its answer:

- (1) What in your opinion is the thing of first importance that should be undertaken by the Chamber of Commerce to improve trade conditions and opportunities in your line of business?
- (2) What, as a citizen, do you

WHO SAYS WE DON'T NEED MORE SHIPS?



—Berryman in Washington Star.

LADIES OF COLUMBUS FORM AN IMPROVEMENT LEAGUE

ELECT MRS. WILLIAM BALDWIN AS PRESIDENT OF THE NEW ORGANIZATION.

The ladies of Columbus at a meeting held in the Chamber of Commerce offices on Friday afternoon organized a Civic Improvement League, with the following officers: President, Mrs. William Baldwin; vice-president, Mrs. L. Loeb; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. J. N. Harker. This organization is to be allied with the Chamber of Commerce in the improvement of the civic matters in Columbus.

A membership committee of two ladies in each ward was appointed for the purpose of securing members for the new organization. A committee was also appointed to build a tentative program of work for the organization, both committees to report back at a meeting to be held in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce on next Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

The ladies of Columbus realize that before the men in the city can do much in the advancement of business conditions, there must be a good, clean city as a foundation, and the Civic Improvement League will do much towards civic improvement.

GOOD PLAY IS ENJOYED AT COLUMBUS THEATRE

"THE WINNING OF BARBARA WORTH," WAS THE ATTRACTION THURSDAY NIGHT.

"The Winning of Barbara Worth," a dramatized version of Harold Bell Wright's novel of the west, was the attraction at the opera house Thursday evening. The play as it was presented was even stronger than the book. The scenic effect was good, and each character was well portrayed. Gertrude Baker as "Barbara Worth," was a winsome young girl, and her sweet vivacious manner won the audience. Each of the other characters were above the average, and the play in its entirety was a success and enthusiastically received.

Columbus people should be very grateful to Mr. Burris, manager of the opera house, for bringing first-class shows here. The attractions so far have been very satisfactory, and there are yet many good things to come.

believe the Chamber of Commerce should first undertake for the good of the city at large, and what help in time, or thought, will you render toward that end?

WAR SAYS THE PRESIDENT

WOODROW WILSON WILL DELIVER ADDRESS ON NATIONAL DEFENSE NOV. 4.

Washington, Oct. 23.—A national defense program that probably means an expenditure on the army and navy of upwards of a billion dollars in the next six years will be laid before the people by President Wilson Nov. 4 when he goes to New York to make his first public address since the scope of the policy on which his administration has embarked became known. He will speak before the Manhattan Club on national defense and the reasons which have impelled him to approve plans which would almost double the navy and quadruple the trained fighting forces ashore within a few years.

With the estimate of the war and Navy Departments submitted for the coming year, the breadth of the administration's policy as to preparedness is being realized. It shapes up in totals as follows:

Navy—For new ships and increased personnel in five years, \$500,000,000.

Army—For reserve material (arms and ammunition) within four years \$105,000,000.

For the new continental army and the proposed increase in the regular army \$26,000,000. (This amount probably will be a continuing and if anything increasing appropriation through the first six years period which would make the total expenditure at that time, \$100,000,000.)

43 Capital Ships by 1925.

According to plans laid out by the Navy and War Department experts these expenditures would produce by 1925 a first line of dreadnaughts and battle cruisers, numbering forty-three; a fleet of coast defense submarines that would fringe the Atlantic and Pacific coasts with an almost solid line of interior defense against attack; a fleet of almost 175 destroyers and squadrons of huge sea-going submarines to operate with the battle squadrons at great distances from shore.

For the army there would be at the end of six years a trained force of 1,200,000 men, including a regular army of 140,000 and the proposed continental army and reserves; a ring of fully manned coast defenses, equipped with the largest and most powerful guns yet built, and a vast reserve of field guns, machine guns howitzers and big gun ammunition. In addition the enormously increased capacity of private munition plants would give assurances of ample supplies of small arms and field ammunition.

A definite step towards enlarging the navy was taken today when contracts were let for twenty-two of the fighting craft authorized by the last congress. There are six big cruiser destroyers, thirty knot boats, each to carry twelve torpedo tubes, four 4-inch guns, and two 3-inch anti-aircraft guns; and sixteen coast defense submarines, each displacing more than 550 tons and each equipped with a 3-inch disappearing rifle for sur-

SECOND BAPTISTS WILL START REVIVAL TODAY

SERVICES TO BE CONDUCTED BY REV. GEORGE BARTON, OF WINONA.

Rev. W. I. Allen, who recently came to Columbus from Pehea, to accept a call to the Second Baptist church here, cordially invites the people of the city to attend the revival services which will begin this morning at 11 o'clock, conducted by Rev. George F. Barton, of Winona. Prof. Robert Cooper, of Aberdeen, will direct the music.

This evening services will again be held at 7:30 o'clock. During the week meetings will be conducted in the afternoon at 3 o'clock and each night at 7.

Mr. Will Halbert, of Corinth, is spending Sunday here with his mother, Mrs. A. C. Halbert.

Mr. Arthur Halbert, of the A. & M. College, is spending the week-end here with homefolk.

Mrs. H. L. Hoyt, of New Orleans, a recent guest of Mrs. W. S. Slack, left for her home on Friday last.

Mr. Herbert Stanley spent the past week in Birmingham on business.

MORE TROOPS SENT TO CHECK INVADERS

ANOTHER REGIMENT IS HELD IN READINESS TO GO TO BORDER POINTS.

Washington, Oct. 22.—In addition to strengthening the military force on the Mexican border, by ordering the 28th Infantry from Galveston, and holding another regiment in readiness, President Wilson conferred today with Attorney-General Gregory, who is preparing to send department of justice agents to the scene. Eliso Arredondo, Carranza representative, who leaves tomorrow, will convey formal news of recognition to Carranza, and it is understood will discuss the border situation with his chief.

A detachment of Troop L, Sixth cavalry, killed two supposed bandits late today who were crossing the Rio Grande, at San Pedro ranch, twelve miles from Brownsville. Major Brown, of Brownsville, has called a meeting of representatives of border towns to be held Saturday to consider the situation. The meeting here Thursday resulted in telegrams being sent to Washington urging on the government the necessity of co-operation with the Carranza government in suppressing outlawry.

The day set a new record for the department in the number of contracts awarded.

AUTOMOBILE TOUR MADE BY BOOSTERS

250 COLUMBIANS VISITED WEST POINT AND ABERDEEN.

FIFTY MACHINES MAKE THE TRIP

Get-to-Gather Expedition Last Thursday Arouses Better Community Spirit.

With the view of boosting road travel and giving better co-operation between the people of Lawrence, Clay and Monroe counties, about fifty automobiles, filled with nearly two hundred and fifty well-to-do citizens of Columbus, left here at 8 o'clock Thursday morning for West Point and Aberdeen, returning here late that evening. This was the first expedition of its kind held by the people of this section under the auspices of the Columbus Chamber of Commerce and the visit will no doubt result in a better community spirit.

The West Point band and a committee of citizens of that place met the boosters at Tibbee Lake, a few miles south of West Point, and escorted them to that city. After a drive over the principal streets of West Point, a meeting was held at the city hall. An address of welcome was delivered by Judge T. C. Kinbrough, who was responded to by Mr. P. W. Maer, editor of the Columbus Dispatch, Mayor W. C. Gunter, and Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, W. H. Carter, of this city, and Judge E. A. Critz, of West Point, made short talks.

At 11 o'clock the party left for Aberdeen and were met at the home of Mr. James Evans, a few miles south of Muldon. A short stop was made at the Evans place, where sights of interest were seen, among which was the immense dairy.

Upon arriving at Aberdeen at 1 o'clock the boosters were again entertained royally. A meeting was held at the city hall, and Hon. D. W. Houston made a warm welcome address. He was responded to by Mr. P. W. Maer. Boosting talks were then made by Hon. James T. Harrison, Mr. W. H. Carter and Mr. Parker Reeves of this city. A reception and lunch were later enjoyed at the Ellis club.

Through the kindness of Mr. E. L. Kuykendall, manager of the Princess Theatre, who is ever public spirited, the Princess orchestra accompanied the boosters, and the music contributed much to the pleasure of all.

Relief Sent Hurricane Sufferers.

Some time since Rev. W. S. Slack, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church, made an appeal through the columns of the press of Columbus for assistance for the sufferers from the recent hurricane which visited a portion of his former mission field. In response to this appeal the sum of \$22.68 was received and sent to the Hon. Martin Behrman, mayor of New Orleans for distribution in those places, and acknowledged by him some days ago. The large boxes of splendid clothing were shipped on Saturday, October 16, and the mayor has acknowledged them as follows:

New Orleans, Oct. 19, 1915.
Rev. W. S. Slack,
St. Paul's Church,
Columbus, Miss.,

Dear Mr. Slack:
"I am in receipt of yours of the 16th inst. enclosing bill of lading covering two boxes of clothing, marked for destination. I shall see that they are shipped in accordance with your wishes.

I am happy to say that all of our people are enjoying good health, and trust that you and yours are doing likewise.

Very truly yours,
MARTIN BEHRMAN,
Mayor.

Clara Kimball Young at the Princess Monday, and Paramount Feature Tuesday.

The attraction at the Princess for Monday, October 25th, is Clara Kimball Young in "Marrying Money," a smart comedy of society life in five reels, lavishly mounted, beautiful settings, a bevy of pretty girls, and many other attractions that make for a successful production.

Admission 5c and 10c.
The "Paramount" attraction for Tuesday the 26th, is Clyde Fitch's famous dramatic success, "The Moth and the Flame," a powerful drama of society life that has been elaborately staged, featuring Irene Howly and Edward Morant with the entire Famous Players' Stock Company in support. A magnificent production. Admission for Tuesday, children, 5c; adults 15c.

GREECE DECLINES TO ACCEPT OFFER

DOES NOT SEE WAY CLEAR AT PRESENT TO ENTER WAR.

DECISION WAS NOT UNEXPECTED

Hellenes and Rumanians Waiting Developments in Balkans Before Declaring War.

London, Oct. 23.—Greece has declined for the present the allies' offer of Cyprus and other concessions, territorial and financial, for her adherence to the Serbo-Greek treaty of alliance, which would mean her military aid to meeting the Bulgarian and Austro-German attacks against her former ally.

Greece's reply to the offer, which reached the foreign office tonight, is lengthy, and while it has not been made public, there is reason to believe the Hellenic kingdom bases its decision on the ground that the Anglo-French force landed at Saloniki is not, in the Greek government's opinion, strong enough for the task allotted to it.

The refusal of the allies' offer was not unexpected, as it has been stated often in official circles that both Rumania and Greece were withholding their assistance until the allies either won a decisive victory or proved to the Greeks and Rumanians their ability to do so, or until their operations had reached a stage which would assure them their countries would not be overrun by forces of the Central powers or their Turkish or Italian allies.

There is no indication here or in the capitals of the other members of the quadruple entente powers to minimize the seriousness of the situation in Serbia. The Austro-German and Bulgarian campaign is developing slowly, but the plans are now fairly clear. The Austro-German center is advancing down the Morava valley from Samindia, while the Bulgarians have not across this valley to the south and command the Belgrade-Nish railway. The Austro-Germans have three other forces engaged, one in the northwest near Shabatz, one at Belgrade and the third, which has not yet crossed the Danube, about Orsova.

On the other fronts operations are considered to be more favorable to the allies. The Russians, taking advantage of the removal of German troops to reinforce Field Marshall Von Hindenburg, for his drive at Riga, which seems to have been checked, have been delivering fierce strokes at the German center and in Galicia. In all of these they have had successes.

HAPPENINGS OF INTEREST GATHERED HERE AND THERE

GIST OF NEWS FROM OVER THE COUNTRY GIVEN IN A BRIEF FORM.

President Wilson in a recent proclamation designating Thursday, Nov. 25, as Thanksgiving Day, called attention to the fact that the United States had been at peace, while most of Europe had been at war. "We have been able to assert our rights and the rights of mankind without breach of friendship with the great nations with whom we have had to deal," said the president.

Miss Edith Cavell, directress of Brussels's Nurses School, who was executed by shooting at the order of German authorities for aiding in the escape of French and British soldiers, went to her death calmly, glad to die for her country, according to Rev. H. T. S. Cahan, the British chaplain in Brussels.

New high records in the American export trade made during September, are shown in figures made public Thursday by the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce.

Arlington, Va., talked by wireless telephone with Paris, France. Honolulu also heard the operator talking from Arlington.

More than 300 of the 1155 boys who attended the Mississippi A. and M. College last year, paid all or part of their year's expenses by work done on the campus. This is the report just given out by President G. R. Hightower, who has personal supervision of the employment bureau. Sixty-seven of these boys were "working boys." That is they were employed by the college all day, and attended night school.