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THE WEATHER

U-BOAT FIRES ON U. S. SHIP NEAR NEW YORK

French Troops Continue Their Mighty Drive on the German Line

SENATE PASSES SEVEN BILLION WAR MEASURE

Members of Upper Chamber Unanimously Vote for Bill Providing for Huge Sum to Carry on Hostilities.

NOT IN SHAPE TO BE SIGNED

Changes Since Coming From the House Necessitate a Conference.

AFFIRMATIVE VOTES

Washington, April 17.- The administration \$7,000,000,000 revenue bill was passed unanimously tonight by the senate. Changes made since it passed the house necessitate conferences between the two houses before it can go to the president for his sig-

There were eighty-three affirmative rotes.

The senate rejected an amendment by Senator Thomas of Colorado to make the proposed issue of \$2,000,000,000 of treasury certificates the basis of issue of national bank notes.

Brady Leaves Four Million Dollars to Two Big Hospitals

New York, April 17.—The will of James Buchanan Brady, "Diamond Jim," filed today bequeaths nearly \$4,000,000 to New York hospital for the establishment of a department of urology. Johns Hopkins hospital, Baltimore, also is the recipient of \$300,000 to build the "James Buchanan

Brady Urological Institute."
Mr. Brady's collection of jewels valued at more than \$1,000,000 is distributed among friends.

McAdoo Consults Reserve Board About War Loan Reports from North of Omsha

Washington, April 17.—Secretary McAdoo today informed the advisory council of the federal reserve board, comprising big banking interests of the country, including J. P. Morgan, that the government would welcome suggestions from them as individuals on floating the \$5,000,000,000 war bond

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The council, holding its quarterly meeting here today, called upon Mr. McAdoo in a body to discuss the administration's financial program.

In accepting the offers of co-operation Mr. McAdoo made it clear that the government will seek the aid of all citizens and would be glad to receive suggestions from financial experts and big banking houses as well as others.

Second Reading of Bill to Extend Life of Parliament

London, April 17.-Andrew Bonar Law, member of the British war council, moving in the House of Com-mons this afternoon the second readby reason of high water comes from the lows side, east of Florence. There the water spreads over the bottoms and the river is three to five miles wide, extending across to the bluffs wide, extending across to the bluffs and innulating a number of valuable farms, driving farmers, together with their stock and other possessions, to the high lands.

A portion of Fast Countries

A portion of East Omaha and a strip of country northeast of Florence lake is under water to a depth of one to four feet. This area is occupied

The Weather

For Nebraska-Cloudy; showers north portions; warmer in west.
Temperatures at Omaha Yesterday.



1917, 1916, 1915

Temperature and precipitation depar-ures from the normal at Omaha since March 1, and compared with the past two

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New Attack of Frenchmen Wins Miles of Foe Front; Captives Total 13,500

Teutons Lose Hundred Thou- mous number of guns, well supplied sand Men During Big Battle Covering Third of Western Line.

front, captured powerfully organized heights, occupied the important vil-lage of Auberive and on this part of

the front, about two miles in extent, took more than 2,500 prisoners. According to the official statement

from the war office, strong German counter attacks were repulsed. The number of German prisoners taken by the French Monday is now placed at 11,000.

Germany suffered another crushing blow upon the western front, when forty miles of the strongest part of its line were wrested from it with an estimated loss of nearly 100,000 killed, wounded and prisoners as a result of the operation yesterday of the French

offensive.
The attack began along a twenty-The attack began along a twentyfive-mile front from Soissons to
Rheims, extending the great western
battle a distance of close to 150 miles,
more than one-third of the mighty
line from Switzerland to the sea.

The Germans were aware of what
was coming, as they showed by a
number of furious attacks made, notably at Sapigneul and Godat Farm,
with the object of finding out something definite in regard to the Franch

thing definite in regard to the French preparation. The invaders had manned naturally formidable posimanned naturally formidable posi-tions with effectives amounting to at least twenty divisions and an enor CREST OF THE HIGH

WATER HAS PASSED

Show that the Missouri is Falling Rapidly. LITTLE DAMAGE DONE HERE The Missouri river here, instead of

going down as the weather bureau

expected it would, rose 0.1 of an

inch in the twenty-four hours ending

at 7 a. m. Tuesday. This brought

The fact that there was four inche

of snow in North Dakota and rains

throughout the upper valleys in the

Flows Over Bottoms.

across to the Nebraska bluff, it is one solid sheet of water, something like five miles wide. Several valuable farms along Mosquito creek are un-

der water and the occupants have taken their stock and other posses-

sions and moved out.

Railroad and street railway people

are not alarmed over the fact that the river is at flood stage. They as-

it to 18.6 feet.

The battle opened on the left of the line where, shortly after 8 o'clock in the morning the French infantry swept forward in an irresistible wave. In spile of a stiff resistance, the Ger-PRUSSIAN ATTACKS FAIL

Paris, April 17.—Continuing their terrific attack against the German positions between Soissons and Rheims and east of the latter place today the French carried German first-line positions over many miles of front captured powerfully organized forst line was wone.

first line was won.

On the right the action began a little later in the morning. The French met with a determined resistance and the fighting was terrifice. After several hours of homeric struggle the French infantry, thanks to the support of several hundred heavy quick-firing guns, forced their way into the enemy's first line. It was a fine success as the terraft was was a fine success as the terrain was difficult and the positions formidable.

In the afternoon the Germans counter attacked with extreme viocounter attacked with extreme vio-lence almost everywhere along the front. The majority of the reserves were engaged south and east of the Brimont ridge. It is from the Bri-mont fort, built on a crest which dominates all the plain around, that the Germans have bombarded the city of Rheims.

The French troops are now close to this ridge, which is likely to play prominent part in the coming fight a prominent part in the coming light-ing. In capturing Loivre they have drawn nearer to Bermericourt and have gone far beyond the famous po-sition in which they lost in the first weeks of the war and failed to win back at the battle of the Marne. According to the latest news reach-

(Continued on Page Two, Column One.)

Our Flag

SOLDIER SHOOTS AT SUSPECT WHO JUMPS INTO RIVER

On Being Challenged Well- ADMIRAL SIMS IN LONDON Dressed Stranger of Teutonic Appearance Leaps From Douglas Street Bridge.

CAPTURED AFTER CHASE Man Proves to Be Powerful Swimmer in Race With Motor Launch

OVERTAKEN NEAR GIBSON

Soldiers on guard at the Douglas street bridge shot twice at a welldressed middle-aged man, whom they suspected of being a bridge dynamiter. The stranger, who had a Teutonic ap-pearance, leaped from the bridge to the river in an attempt to escape. He was caught at Gibson and is under ar-

rest.

The suspect refused to obey an order to halt which Corporal Laird of Company B issued. As a private approached him the man jumped over the bridge parapets. He swam powerfully after landing in the river.

Ed Garrison, foreman of the American Bridge company, and Gus Kruger,

ican Bridge company, and Gus Kruger, foreman of the Union Pacific Railroad company's bridge workers, followed the fugitive in a motor launch, overtaking him near Gibson.

Passenger Vessel Driven Ashore by Fire of Submarine

New York, April 17.-The British steamship Karmala, an 8,983-ton passenger vessel, owned by the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation lar and Oriental Steam Navigation company, was driven on a reef and sunk on March 17, near Spezia, Italy, after being shelled and torpedoed by a German submarine, according to two Americans who were among the Karmala's 190 passengers, and who arrived here today from Europe, All on board the Karmala were saved.

The Americans are W. E. Park of Boston and F. Hewer of Brooklyn, who were returning from Egypt. The Karmala, they said, was on its way from Port Said to London when attacked. The submarine opened fire from its deck gun at a range of about five miles. Forty shots were fired, they said, but none did any material damage. The Karmala in turn fired ten shots at the submarine, but could not reach it.

The U-boat began to approach the ship, diving and emerging to fire ship, diving and emerging to fire.

not reach it. still The U-boat began to approach the side ship, diving and emerging to fire. When within about 2,000 yards it let

last twenty-four hours strengthens the idea that there may be further lingh water in the Missouri river soon.

Above Omaha the water is falling. Reports to the Northwestern indicated a fall of seven inches from last night, until 7 3 clock this morning.

The same road reports a drop of two inches during the night at Florence.

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The same Rights as Men In Selecting Assembly.

BIG PROBLEMS TO SOLVE

London, April 17.—A Petrograd and the passengers and crew escaped, the Council of Workers, Soldiers and the U-boat giving up the attack when the ship hit the reef. reef and ripped a great hole in its hopes for the youth's recovery, bottom. The lifeboats were lowered. He is a brother of Mrs. Thomas B. and the passengers and crew escaped, Coleman, a well known Omaha

Is Thrown About Visit of Diplomats

Washington, April 17.-Plans for

French commissioners would arrive fater than the British members, but masmuch as some of the conferences are to be conducted separately, this will not retard the decisions of co-

the river is as sume that the crest is possible that within the next few hours the waters will begin to recede.

On April 25, 1881, the stage of the water in the Missouri river at Omaha stood at 22,08 feet. That was the highest ever known. The danger line is between seventeen and eighteen is between seventeen and eighteen feet.

Calls City

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Washington, April 17.—(Special Telegram.)—James H. Hanley, secretary to Congressman Lobeck, with Mrs. Lobeck and their son, "Jim," have arrived in Washington for the extra session.

Begin Red Cross Work
Falls City, Neb., April 17.—(Special.)—The Commercial club, the Reavis-Ashley chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Community Welfare club will take no the work of the Red Cross Association. The clubs will buy the association and proceed with the making according to the directions sent with the material needed from the society and proceed with the making according to the directions sent with the material. There is a great deal of enthusiasm among the young women of special service. Men with less part to the work and a triotism can do the farm work duration to the form the society of special service. Men with less part to put his arm around her.

Falls City over the work and a contact of the Daw Man 1010 to neturn

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G. W. Coatfeld of Oakland, Ia., a middleaged man with whiskers like Charles Hughes, said he met Mrs, charles Byrd, alias "Jack" Lewis, in Omaba Monday night and she extracted from his roll a \$10 bill. She was fined \$25 and costs.

Coatfeld said he was paying a bill in "a drinking house" when Mrs, Burd of education, and D. F. Turner.

Soft Coal Miners to Be Raised Fifth

New York, April 17.—(Special Telegram.)—At the city election with onty one can didate before the voters. Fred E. Phillips was elected a member of the board of education, But a fraction of the voters. Fred E. Phillips was elected a member of the board of education, But a fraction of the voters. The salonom was eliminated through state-wide prohibition going into effect July 1.

Pierre, S. D., April 17.—(Special Telegram.)—At the city election with ont material. There is a great deal or enthusiasm among the young women of special service. Men with less paof Falls City over the work and a triotism can do the farm work durnumber of them will probably offer their services when the occasion permits.

"Go back to Oakland and live them, they want more excitement than a field of corn can furnish."

RUSSIAN WOMEN TO BE GIVEN BALLOT

Congress Recommends They Be Given Same Rights as Men

North of Omaha the only damage garding the constituent assembly Curtain of Secrecy which makes the following recom-

"The assembly shall be convened at Petrograd as early as possible on the principle of universal suffrage The army shall take part in the elec-The army shall take part in the elec-tions like the rest of the population, but the active army shall vote sep-arately. Women shall have the same voting rights as men. The qualifying age for the vote shall be 20 years. The Council of Workers, Soldiers and Delegates shall control the election, which shall fix the political regime of Russia and its fundamental laws." The report also provides that after. to four teet. This area is occupied by dairymen and gardeners, who have moved to higher ground.

At Manawa the river has broken through the dik and the water is flowing into the lake. The surface of the lake is on a level with the river, and from the east side of the former, are the Nebrack bluff it is one

The report also provides that after constitutional questions are settled the assembly shall take up agrarian problems and draft new laws on maters of labor, questions of nationality, organization of local self-government and all questions of an internal char-

Hanley Back in Capital For Rest of the Session

receiving the British and French war commissions went forward today surrounded by the curtain of official secrecy which has been deemed necessary until the commissioners arrive in the capital.

The indications today were that the operation between the United States and the allies.

She Overslept a Date; Slashes Suitor's Clothes

Lucus McMillan went visiting Mon-day at the home of Josephine Mc-Burt, Twenty-fourth and Lake streets. She received him coldly and an-nounced that she was going to take a nap. Lucus agreed to awaken her at a specified time. But McMillan became engrossed in

a book and forgot all about Miss Mc-Burt. He was shaving when she dashed from her boudoir, seized the dashed from her boundor, seized the razor and slit his clothes to shreds, McMillan told Judge Madden, "The lady had a date and over-slept," McMillan laconically testified. The woman was fined \$15 and

GERMAN SUBMARINE ATTEMPTS TO TORPEDO DESTROYER SMITH 100 MILES OFF LONG ISLAND

ON U. S. WAR MISSION.



REAR-AD. SIMS.

Rear-Admiral W. S. Sims, dent of the United States Naval college, and considered one of the greatest strategists and experts on ni val warfare of the American navy, in England on a mysterious war mis The rear-admiral went to Eu rope on the steamship New York which struck a mine, but docked safely. No details regarding his mis-sion have been made public.

SLEEP WALKER IS **FATALLY INJURED**

Walter Cassidy, Postoffice Employe, Suffers Broken Back in Fall at Home.

TWENTY-FIVE-FOOT PLUNGE

Young Cassidy struck on his head, it is believed. Besides a broken back go two torpedoes, one of which he also suffered serious cust from the struck the Karmala in the bow.

Although wounded, the Karmala continued trying to escape, but in zig-walked in his sleep.

Hospital doctors hold out scant

Senate Committee Through With the Army Draft Bill

Washington, April 17.-The senate Washington, April 17.—The senate military committee nearly completed consideration of the administration war army bill with its selective draft feature today, and Chairman Chamberlain predicted that the measure would be reported to the senate to-morrow practically unchanged.

Afterward it was said that the administration still stood steadfast for the selective draft army bill in spite of opposition that has developed in the senate and house.

Daniels Reports on Measures to Guard Coast From U-Boats

Washington, April 17.—President Wilson and the cabinet at a brief meeting today discussed legislation to: the control of the prices of food and other commodities, went over plans for the reception of the British and French commissions, and listened to a report from Secretary Daniels on steps being taken to protect the American coast from German sub-maines.

Sioux Falls Has Nice Quiet Election With One Candidate

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First Act of War on Part of Germany Probably Attempt to Scare Away Neutral Shipping

Washington, April 17.—A German submarine today fired on the United States destroyer Smith about 100 miles south of New York.

The presence of enemy submersibles in American waters indicates that the threatened German submarine blockade of American Atlantic ports has begun.

"Reported from Fire Island lightship to the naval stations at Boston and New York at 3:30 a. m. on the 17th an enemy submarine was sighted by the U. S. S. Smith running apparently submerged. Submarine fired a torpedo at the U. S. S. Smith, which missed it by thirty yards. The wake of the torpedo was plainly seen crossing the

At noon no further details were cluded all the important ports on the vailable here.

Whether the presence of the German submarine merely foreshadows a sporadic raid such as the U-53 conducted off the New England coast, or whether it is the signal for the be-ginning of a general submarine block-ade of the Atlantic coast is not

First German Act of War.

The attack by the U-boat is Ger-

sieps to meet aggressive action were taken at once. Last week word came to Washington in a round about way that Germany was about to declare a prohibited zone about the harbors at Boston, New York, the Delaware Capes, Chesapeake bay, Charleston and Savannah. This would have in-

MORE OPPOSITION

Senate Names a Conference Committee Unfriendly to the Much-Discussed Measure.

OBJECT TO ITS NEW FORM

Lincoln, April.-(Special)-Opposi tion to building a new capitol under the plans in the Richmond bill amend-

James McFarron is Arrested at Denver

Denver, Colo., April 17 .- "Treason" was the charge on the police record today opposite the name of James McFarron, who was arrested last night while harranguing a number of young men, one of whom had joined the navy a short time before. The arresting officer said McFarron ex-borted his hearers not to fight for

This announcement was made at the Navy depart-

bow. Submarine disappeared."

vailable here.

The attack by the U-boat is Germany's first recognition of the state of war declared by the United States. It was stated in Germany soon after the action of congress that no aggressive steps would be taken against the United States.

Practically no American officials believed this statement, however, and steps to meet aggressive selfon were

TO CAPITOL BILL

(From a Staff Correspondent

vailed. The house committee on same bill is considered unfriendly

It is understood that most of the It is understood that most of the opposition comes from those who oppose the provisins which call fr plans for an entirely new capitol. If the bill can be changed to-the form in which it passed in the house, to include a pencil sketch of a new building without plans fr construction, and providing for a new east wing, it may be favorably considered.

rrested at Denver On Treason Charge over, Colo., April 17.—Treason

their country, saying they would re-ceive no reward, and ridiculed the youth who already had enlisted. Force was used to subdue McFar-ron, who, the police say, had been

Member board of education, G. M.
Hollister.
For commissioner, Turner won 2 majority over D. H. Adams.

Western Pennsylvania by about 20 per cent at the expiration of the present contract was reached today by a committee consisting of operators an employes from the four states.

Atlantic seaboard.

It was said then that an official warning to neutrals of the prohibited zone would be issued from Berlin. Some American officials were disinciined to credit the report, but the entente diplomatic corps here believed in it and predicted that Germany would soon carry the submarine campaign to this side of the Atlantic, principally for the purpose of scaring neutral shipping away from American harbors and to raid the great squadrons of merchant ships which are moving food and supplies to American's allies on the European battle fronts.

Some officials are inclined to be-

battle fronts.

Some officials are inclined to believe that the lack of a declaration of a prohibited zone in American waters may be due to the crippled condition of the communications with Germany since the United States entered the war. Without such a declaration, they point out, Germany will incur great claims of damage to neutrals and will carry on a new campaign without the color of legal authority, which it contends the declaration of a barred zone lends to it.

Probable Basis of Supplies.

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With submaria. war brought close to the doors of America, the possibility that German U-boats may have bases on this side of the Atlantic is again revived. The raid of the U-53 and the two trips of the Deutschland demonstrated that it was possible for a German submarine to escape the a German submarine to escape the British cordons in the North Sea and make their way to America. Whether a submersible could make such a trip a submersible could make such a trip and return without having a supply base somewhere on this side of the Atlantic is gravely doubted. Many officials here always have believed that the U-53 had a mother ship somewhere down on the horizon.

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The possibility that merchant submarines of the Deutschland type, now converted to carriers of fuel oil and supplies, might accompany flotillas of war boats on their transatlants of war boats. The possibility of bases having been planted by the German prevailed. The house committee on the same bill is considered unfriendly. Atlantic, is one of the foremost prob-Atlantic, is one of the foremost prob-Atlantic, is one of the foremost prob-lems. It even has been suspected that parts of submarines had been shipped to Mexico and assembled there, but by many well informed of-ficials that is doubted. The possibil-ity of a German submarine base in the Gulf of Mexico, however, has long been redognized, and many officials have been convinced that when the raiding began—as they were sure it would soon after the declaration of war—the raiders would come from

OH, YES! Fifteen Days in April

Advertising in The Bee Only Paper Showing Gains

Display and Classified (Warfield Agency Measurements) Total......22,693 SAME DAYS LAST YEAR GAIN, 1,217 INCHES

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"T" indicates trace of precipitation, L. A. WELSH, Meteorologist.