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RAIN SAVES NEBRASKA CORN CROP; GERMAN WAR SENTIMENT WEAKENING

STATEMENT OF MICHAELIS INTENDED TO BOLSTER UP FLAGGING PUBLIC OPINION

Washington Officials Also Take View That Kaiser Hopes to Get Allies About Council Table and Instill Differences That Will Divide Them; Russian Officials Amused.

Washington, July 30.—German Chancellor Michaelis' peace interview is regarded at the State department as another German attempt to bolster up public opinion at home, appeal to the peace sentiment in enemy and neutral countries and create dissensions between the allies. At the Russian embassy it was stated to be wholly incor-

rect in fact. State department officials say that while Germany at-

TALK OF BRITISH

LUST OF CONQUEST

Comments on Asquith and Bo-

nar Law Speeches Seem to

Indicate Lack of Confi-

dence in Future.

Berlin, Saturdav July 28 .- (Via

London, July 30.)-Commenting on

the addresses made in the House of

adopted by the German Reichstag,

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London, July 30.—The British cruiser Ariadne of 11,000 tors has

been torpedoed and sunk, according

to an official statement issued today

The Ariadne was an old British

cruiser, having been built in 1898.

It was 450 feet long, sixty-nine-foot

beam and had a maximum draft of

twenty-seven and a half feet. Its

complement consisted of 677 officers

The Ariadne carried sixteen six-

inch guns, twelve twelve-pounders

and a number of smaller guns. It

also was equipped with two sub-

Is Sunk by Torpedo

Big British Cruiser

by the British admiralty.

and men.

Vorwaerts says: +

tempts by innuendo to fasten on France a vast campaign of conquest with the hope of making a breach with the new Russian democ-racy, Michaelis makes no suggestion BERLIN PAPERS that Germany itself has in any way revised its war program or accepted the principle of no annexation.

The new attempt at peace is considered as hollow as the many others which have always followed a successful offensive and which took their most tangible form in the official German peace offer of December 12. The maneuver is viewed as similar to that one which had the purpose of getting the allies about a conference table where Germany hoped to instill differ-ences between them and split up the

The government, it is stated, will take no notice of the latest German effort. Secretary Lansing's speech, although delivered before the Michaelis interview was published, is taken Commons July 26 by ex-Premier as a complete answer in stating that peace can come only when the united overthrown the German militant sys- dealt with the peace resolution

Russ Officials Amused. Russian embassy officials were "Between the unqualified and sinamused that the new German chancellor should make such a mistake as to say that Albert Thomas was ald, socialist and labor member of sent to Petrograd "to overcome this remorse of M. Tereschenko," whom ditional war will of the conservative, he evidently thought to be Russian Bonar Law, lies the somewhat qualiminister of foreign affairs, towards fied war will of the former liberal They premier, Asquith. France's plans of conquest. point out that M. Thomas went to

Petrograd about three weeks after the for peace provided Germany restores into communication with the Council of Soldiers' and Workmen's delegates, as a fellow socialist, to understand their point of view.

At that time M. Tereschenko was practically unknown in France, as he had held the office, not of foreign secretary, but of minister of finance, for only two weeks. Milukoff was then foreign secretary and continued to conduct all the country's foreign affairs for the first six weeks of M. Thomas visit. M. Tereschenko succeeded him about two weeks before M. Thomas left for France, and the two men came to an absolute understanding which was publicly announced by Tereschenko. As a result of their agreement, Russia asked for a conference on war aims, and both France and England accepted

Signs of Weakness.

London, July 30 .- Statements by Dr. Michaelis, German imperial chancellor, and Count Czernin, the Aus tro-Hungarian foreign minister, which are regarded here as obviously made in collusion, dominate the news col umns of the morning papers.

They are generally treated editorially as a sign of weakness, while the absence of reference to the future of (Continued on Page Two, Column Two.)

The Weather

For Nebraska-Fair; slightly cooler. Temperatures at Omaha Yesterday.



Local Record. 1917 1916 1915 1914 Highest yesterday ... 103 Lowest yesterday ... 81 Mean temperature .. 92

Reports From Sations at 7 P. M. Station and State Temp. High-Rain-of Weather. 7 p. m. est. fall. Cheyenne, cloudy 62 78 .32 Davenport. clear 94
Denver. cloudy 72
Desmoines, clear 97
Dodge City, clear 95
Lander, cloudy 55
North Platte, clear 94 Omaha, clear 97
Pueblo, cloudy 86
Rapid City, cloudy 74
Salt Lake City, clear ... 78

Santa Fe, cloudy 70 80
Sheridan, cloudy 78 84
Sloux City, clear ... 95 106
Valentine, pt. cloudy ... 85 90
"T" indicates trace of precipitation.

SINGLE OFFICER TOADMINISTER **CONTROL OF FOOD**

Conferees on Administration Bill Agree That President's Demand Shall Be Observed.

(By Associated Press.)

the food bill today agreed to President Wilson's demand for one food administrator instead of a board of three, as proposed by the senate. The individual administrator will not be subject to confirmation.

The senate conferees yielded and agreed to strike out the senate amendment for a three-member board and accepted the house provision for one-man control. Those voting to recede and accept one-man control were Senators Chamberlain, Smith of South Carolina, Kenyon and Warren. Those standing out for a three-member board were Gore, Smith of Geor-

The president's position was made clear today to Senator Chamberlain one of the conferees on the bill. The president considers the committee on conduct of the war a reflection on himself and insists that there can be no question of the greater value of an individual food administrator over an administrative board of three.

Might Veto Bill. Senator Chamberlain left the White louse convinced that unless the conferees eliminate those provisions the bill must go back to the senate and house for further action. The possibility that the president might veto the measure if they were left in it was widely discussed in congress. The president, however, it was said

berlain that he was so strongly opposed to the provisions as to veto the Asquith and A. Bonar Law, chancel-Senator Chamberlain said he force of the world's democracies has lor of the exchequer, in which they thought the senate conferees would insist on both the three member food

tee, causing disagreement on these two points alone. Chairman Lever of the house agricere love of peace of James McDonculture committee also conferred with the president and later conferred with Republican Leader Mann, who is expected to renew his fight for the congressional committee despite the

fact that many republicans are opposed to it. In agreeing upon a single food ad-"The latter, it would seem, is ready ministrator, the conferees adopted a He has written a pamphlet which revolution, that is, about March 1, the independence of Belgium. He and that his sole purpose was to get also probably would be ready to dispresident, and one of whom shall be traveling salesman and "movie" actor cuss the question of Belgian indeman agricultural colleg. president, shall nity. With a government, however, which is animated with the spirit of Bonar Law and Sir Edward Carson,

Two Fashionable Berlin Cafes Closed by Police

Berlin, Sunday, July 29.—(Via London, July 30.)—Hiller's and Dressel's closed by the police and the proprietors sent to jail on the charge of violating the food ordinances.

The restaurant owners are accused of paying in excess of the maximum prices in purchasing supplies and of serving favored patrons who were without food cards.

The fact that both of these restaurants were exclusively patronized s taken to indicate that no discrimnations will be permitted in the enforcement of the food regulations Violations carry a fine and jail senmerged eighteen-inch torpedo tubes. | tence.

Grit and Determination Make Keating Crack Army Rifle Shot

Determination will overcome almost any obstacle. For example take Captain Keating, Company B, Sixth Nebraska. With his trigger finger missing, Captain Keating has yet manager to become a crack shot. In 1906 he tried to enlist in the United States army, but was turned down because the index finger of his right hand was off at the first phalanx.

Most persons would have taken an easier way and tried to serve the country by some method not requir-

not Captain Keating.
"I'll show them I can shoot, first. 93 Then, perhaps, I'll try other lines," he said grimly.

First he enlisted in the South Dakota National Guard 1906-8, and went to maneuvers at Fort Riley, Kan. All the time he was practicing marksman-Precipitation 00 00 .04 .12 the time ne was practicing marksman-Temperature and precipitation departures ship and in 1909 he tried for the state rifle team of South Dakota and got a 76 last place on the team of alternates.

Next he went to the national match at Camp Perry, Ohio, where the team found it expedient to put Keating in as third man. After the preliminaries he qualified as distinguished expert rifleman, Class C.

In 1909 he distinguished himself as a shot at the national maneuvers at Sparta, Wis., and in 1912 he again qualified as distinguished expert rifleman. Class C.

success. In 1910 he was commissioned first lieutenant of the Fourth South thought his first duty lay with his Dakota, Company D. In 1913 he was own country, so he returned and was with the National Guard of Iowa as assigned as recruiting officer for the second lieutenant and then, on join- Sixth Nebraska, being appointed Cap-



thing a little more exciting, so he en-Promotion came along with this tered the Canadian service. But as soon as trouble began to brew he

The Bee's Americanism is What Brought On That Stop Order

Mr. Meyer's Correspondence Makes it Plain He Wants a Paper Sympathetic with Kaiserism.

Omaha, June 30 .- To the Editor of The Bee: I am astonished at the letter of Mr. A. L. Meyer to stop his paper, but are you fair with him in giving him this undesirable advertising? Are you not assuming that he objects to The Bee's stand for "America First," when he may have an entirely different reason? Yours for fair play,

Note by Editor-Unfortunately, no other inference is pos-Washington, July 30.—Conferees on sible except that Mr. Meyer wants to read a pro-German newspaper and took this way to indicate his disapproval of The Bee's staunch Americanism in the face of threats and attempted intimidation by German sympathizers.

We have had many letters from Mr. Meyer which we have had to refuse space, the last one written just the day before his "stop order." finding fault because we did not print certain news stories entitled "Senator Reed Attacks Herbert Hoover as Food Gambler" and "Quebec Hints at Revolts; Secession of French Province Advocated by Leaders, etc." which he says he found in papers published in other cities. Still another letter written only last month from Mr. Meyer trying to prevail on us to run a more pro-German paper concludes with this sentence: "Nor can I believe that you wish to encourage recent rumors about the starting of another daily paper in Omaha."

No, The Bee's prime aim is to be perfectly fair with everyone, and in this case we are sure we have done no injustice.

Federal Officers from Omaha gave no intimation to Senator Cham-Capture Man. Who Tells Wierd Tale of His Adventures.

> Federal officers from Omaha, sent out by Marshal Eberstein, head of Daniel Wallace at Davenport, Ia. He treason and failure to register for nesday.

Wallace admits that he is a deserter from the British army and he claims he was "shanghaied" into it. preceding 1915. One day in January of that year, he says in the pamphlet, he was standing in front of a newspaper bulletin board in New York when he was approached by a man who proposed to get him a position breaking horses for the British government at \$75 a week. He says he declared himself a British subject and eral government is one of the most went to England to accept the place. estaurants, two fashionable Unter Arriving there he alleges he was den Linden establishments, have been forced to join the Coldstream Guards. He then gives a long account of his free institutions. alleged adventures in France and his final capture by the Germans. He devotes much space to telling of the kindness of the Germans to him as their captive. Finally he was recaptured, so he states, by the British.

Then he and another American planned to desert with the assistance a sailor on an American steamer (which he fails to name), then at Marseilles. But they got drunk and went aboard the wrong ship, which finally landed them in Egypt. He was condemned to be shot, but was pardoned.

"An Egyptian woman" is the next heroine introduced into his alleged narrative. She supplied him with been transferred to Saloniki he re- ment. turned, "washed off the stain, shaved and put on American clothes." He relies, after which Wallace's narrative naively concludes: "He believed my story and signed me on a tank steamer bound for Philadelphia."

Troop Ship, Hit By Steamer, Kept Afloat; All Safe

ship Panama here today.

The Saratoga was kept affoat and

finally was warped into a dock and Meanwhile those on board were safely taken off in life boats or by tugs and other craft in the harbor which responded to distress signals. So far as is known no one was in-

A deep hole in the transport's port quarter extending from below the water line to the rail resulted from the collision. The captain of the Panama held the bow of his ship tight against the transport, effectually blocking the wound until all on board were taken off.

Hottest Day of Summer In City of New York

SHEPPARD OPENS SENATE DEBATE ON PROHIBITION

Senator Declares Strength of Liquor Interest Lies in National

(By Associated Press.) Washington, July 30.-Debate on the bureau of investigation, arrested the national prohibition constitutional amendment began in the senate today is now in jail to answer charges of under an agreement for a vote Wed-

Senator Sheppard, the author, opened the discussion. He said that prohibition by state or local action now prevails in an area equal to two-thirds of the United States, but that the liquor business has obtained such a it can never be ousted from the nation by state action alone,

"If the liquor traffic is to be eradicated, the aid of the federal government must be invoked," said he. "I believe in fighting it in every political realize that its roots are in the capitol at Washington. The partnership between the liquor traffic and the fedfrightful heritages of the civil war.

Underwood Opposes.

Senator Underwood, opposing the

resolution, declared that to take from and lodge the power with the government in Washington would result in the necessity of enforcing "obnoxious police regulations upon an unwilling

Senator Ashurst, speaking in favor the amendment, denied that it would force anything on a state, but declared it would result in a great referendum which would permit each state to say if it wants to accept the proposed change in the fundamental laws. The Arizona senator suggested, he left Alexandria for three weeks. Then hearing that his division had Then hearing that his division had state can act on the proposed amend-

lates then how he called on the Amer- stitution was imperative because ican consul and told him a string of states have found it impossible to enforce their liquor laws.

Because no other senators were ready to speak, the senate then adjourned until tomorrow.

Over Billion Pounds of Tobacco Held in United States C. W. Pollard's office, Keeline build-

Washington, July 30.-Leaf tobacco held by manufacturers and dealers in the United States on July 1, amounted An Atlantic Port, July 30.—The to 1,266,778,903 pounds, the census American transport Saratoga, at anchor waiting sailing orders, was terly report. That compares with 1,-rammed by in-bound American steam- 406,133,573 pounds held on April 1.

Chewing, smoking, snuff and export types held, aggregated 914,445,-262 pounds, compared with 1,044,431, on April 1; cigar types totalled 312,470,336 and imported types, 47,-830,767 compared with 49,231,462.

MANY COUNTIES OF STATE GET FINE DRENCHING, WHICH

Hot Spell of Nine Days' Duration Broken When Western Section is Visited by Heavy Downpour Sunday Night; Experts Say Bumper Crops

estimated to be worth millions of dollars to the farmers of the state. In the section visited it is asserted that it not only saved the corn crop, but added to the possibility of a bumper yield.

Nebraska Corn Crop Is Safe, Says Danielson

Lincoln, Neb., July 30,-Drouth and hot winds in Nebraska have not damaged the corn crop. Reports received today by E. H. Danielson, secretary of the state board of agriculture, indicate there will be no damage for several days even if the drouth and hot

"There is still moisture in the soil," said Secretary Danielson, "and the fact that the Nebraska corn crop is late has prevented damage by the hot winds."

Reports from towns throughout the state today were that the potato crop has been damaged by the drouth as much as 25 per cent in sections most seriously affected.

day; Drafted Men Given Five Days in Which to Appear.

probably will be held today. Exemption boards which did not them out Monday.

Sixth district exemption board, the country precincts, and Fourth district exemption board, First, Second and Seventh wards, worked Saturday division from precinct to nation, but night and Sunday making out the lists of double their quotas and sent out notices to drafted men. wind of Sunday was general over The other boards did this work yes-

"The constant activity of the liquor tices be sent out to drafted men in ever, the opinion prevails that in the interests in the country is a peril to the order drawn, so that one-third sections visited by rain Sunday night double the quota will appear on the the cereal will recover from the damfifth day from the time of sending them out one-third the sixth day and if not an average crop in the event one-third the seventh day, there is the weather conditions continue favorresolution, declared that to take from nothing to prevent men from volun-states their control over local affairs tarily presenting themselves for examination for that time. The Sixth district board expects

to begin examining the bulk of the drafted men in its quota Wednesday. The Fourth district board figures the most of the first one-third will appear for examination Saturday. Other boards are sending out notices so the men will appear the first tained any material damage. three days of next week. Are Given Five Days.

Most hoard members, however, any time after notices are received, but not later than five days after-

Extra doctors, in addition to the one physician on each board, will ex-

Exemption boards wish to impress the fact no claims for exemption will be heard until after all examinations

Acting County Judge Sundblad, chairman of the Fourth district board, announced his board will meet in Dr. ing, instead of the court house. Members of this board decided the county court would be too public a place to conduct examinations.

Certificate of Fire

Insurance Company Cancelled Des Moines, Ia., July 30 .- The certificate of authority of the Equity Mutual Fire Insurance company of Sioux 304,502,874 pounds, compared with City was revoked today by the state insurance department which gave in-

Reserve Military Duty For New National Guard Companies

the individual to leave the state on Lincoln, July 30.—(Special.)—Re- military duty. serve military duty will be required of companies organized to take the Hall and Adjutant General Steele place of the National Guard, which soon will leave the state, according

were the military speakers and John W. Cutright the principal civilian Second fleutenant and then, on join-loudy 78 84 100 ing the Fourth Nebraska in Omaha, he was commissioned first lieutenant of Company B.

Sixth Nebraska, being appointed Caphology 78 84 100 ing the Fourth Nebraska in Omaha, he was commissioned first lieutenant of Company B.

Captain Keating is well known in Omaha, where he was, during his so far this summer. A temperature of precipitation.

After border service he was uninjured and decided to hunt up some-lieutenant and then, on join-lieutenant and then, on join-lieutena

ASSURES BIG GRAIN YIELD

Will Be Harvested.

Rain over a goodly portion of Nebraska Sunday night is

The long spell of dry weather had cast a shadow of gloom over a portion of the Nebraska corn belt, but it has been dispelled and, according to the opinion of well posted grain and railroad men, there is now every indication of the state being in the front ranks as a producer of all kinds of foodstuffs again this year.

A steady downpour of rain that continued during a greater portion of Sunday night was general over a large portion of western Nebraska, extending well into the western section. The rain not only broke the drouth, but over the extensive area that was given a wetting the high temperature that had been general for eight days was materially reduced.

RAINS IN THE WEST. According to the morning reports to the Union Pacific nearly all Sunday night there was a gentle but regular root-soaker rain spread over the entire country along the line from North Platte west, extending entirely across Wyoming and Colorado into

On the Nebraska branches of the Union Pacific, both north and south BEING SENT OUT trait political political political fairly heavy rains Sunday night now the weather is much cooler.

Along the Northwestern, west of Long Pine, there were scattered showof the main line and west of the cen-

First Sessions of Boards Tues- ers, but nothing in the way of a general rain. There has been a drop of twenty to thirty degrees in temperature as compared with the corresponding hour of Sunday morning.

There was no rain Sunday or Sunday night along the Burlington's lines in central and eastern Nebraska, but First examinations for drafted men from Wellfleet through to Cheyenne on the high line and from McCook through to Denver, on the Repulican river valley line, there were heavy send out notices Saturday, when the showers during the night and for a hold on some of the larger states that master lists of numbers drawn in distance of more than 100 miles Washington reached Omaha, mailed through the western part of Nebraska the rain was general, the precipitation ranging all the way from one-half to an inch.

> Corn Little Damaged. Reports to both the Union Pacific and Burlington indicate that the hotcorn from 100 miles back from the Though the law provides that no- river suffered some damage. How-

> > All of the railroads operating out into the state received reports on the effect of the hot wind of Sunday. Agents as a rule, after making their own observations and after talking with farmers, advise that up to Sunday night, as a rule, through the east half of the state corn had not sus-

Damage to Potatoes. Agents report that in most localities in the state the potato crop has sustained great damage. in most fields the vines have been killed. They have turned brown, and in the hills there are very few potatoes and those that are there are small. The Burlington's weekly crop re-

port, having to do with conditions up

(Continued on Page Two, Column One.)

Daniels Wants More Pay For Naval Officers and Men

Washington, July 30.—Bills creating new naval ratings in the ranks with increased pay; to reimburse officers, enlisted men and others for personal property lost in the service; to raise the daily food allowance to forty cents from thirty, were urged before the house naval committee today by Secretary Daniels.

The Sunday Score Advertising in The Bee (Warfield Agency Measurements)

SUNDAY, JULY 29, 1917-INCHES Classified 737 Total..........2,1061/2

SAME SUNDAY LAST YEAR

Local Display 790 1/2

Foreign Display..... 124

Classified 605

Automobile

Again Good Gain

Total......1,804 GAINS-3021/2 INCHES

Keep Your Eye On The Bee. IMPROVING EVERY DAY.