



TO FORCE VOTE IN HOUSE TODAY

Split in Administration Forces Came This Morning.

COMMITTEE DIFFERENCES CAUSE DELAY

Rumor That President Wilson is Considering Resigning Declared To Be Without Any Foundation.

WASHINGTON, March 4.—A division among the administration forces broke out this morning. After Pou planned to postpone until Monday the vote on the McLemore resolution warning Americans off armed ships, Sherley, Allen, Glass and others decided they would try and force a vote today. They claimed that the Gore muddle ought to be cleared up immediately. Pou later admitted that the resolution might get a vote today, but Speaker Clark thought it would probably go over. The committee on rules conferred this afternoon to consider an immediate vote.

Vote Taken Next Week.

The forces of the administration announced later that it had been decided that the house would vote on the McLemore resolution next Tuesday, and that differences in the committee were responsible for the delay. It is reported that the friends of the president are seeking republican votes. The armed merchantmen debate was resumed in the senate, and Lodge read the denial of England that she had warned her citizens to keep off the armed ships during the Japanese-Russian war. On next Monday, the president will nominate David Francis, of St. Louis, to be ambassador to Russia.

Says Action is Evasive.

Senator Borah, republican, arraigned the senate for what he characterized as its evasive action. He said he would "rather have battleships sunk than to have the honor of this senate compromised before the world."

On the other hand, Senator Kern, the majority leader, upheld the action, asserting that it would proclaim to all nations that the president, in exercising his constitutional powers in the conduct of negotiations, spoke "not for himself, not for his party, but for all the people of his country who are prepared back of him with their lives in an insistence of American rights."

Wilson Not Talkative.

The president personally did not comment on the action of the senate, preferring to gain more information and centering his attention on the expected action of the house.

Administration officials generally, however, regarded the outcome as satisfactory and pointed to the fact that Senator Gore had introduced an amendment directly opposite to his original resolution and then had voted to table his own amendment as a clear indication that he realized his battle was lost and that the president had won.

Would Force Direct Vote.

There was some discussion in administration circles of forcing a direct vote on the re-introduced McLemore resolution warning Americans off armed ships. It was the expectation of most of the leaders however, that nothing further would be done in the senate at the president's request.

Denies Story of Resignation.

WASHINGTON, March 4.—A White House statement says "When the attention of Tumulty was called to the story appearing in certain newspapers that the president had resigned or was considering his resignation, he said that the American newspaper that would publish a story of that kind in a situation like the present one now confronting America, dishonors itself."

Mrs. C. C. Robertson returned to her home in Roseburg this afternoon after spending several weeks visiting with friends and relatives at her old home at Sweetwater, Texas.

TODAY'S ODDEST BABY STORY

NEW YORK, March 4.—A certain New York physician today told of a new way to make the baby stop crying. The plan was successfully employed by a little boy to whose lot it fell to care for his baby brother a good deal. His mother marked the unwonted silence of the infant when brother was watching him, so she peeked around the door one day and saw how it was done. Brother, it seems, waited until the baby got his mouth open to let out a howl and then leaned over and blew down his throat.

C. W. CLARK FOR COUNTY CLERK

Cras, W. Clark, the only candidate ticket, is a vigorous, hustling date for county clerk on the republican ticket, and is one of the best known citizens of Roseburg, being prominent in both business and municipal affairs. At the present time he is an influential member of the city council, a position he has held for several years, and at a time when it required men of judgment, quick perception and the proper stamina to fill this office. The constant vigilance he has shown in guarding the interests of the city during all the railroad bond issue



and the preparations for the building of the road and lumber mills, indicates how he will care for the interests of the taxpayers of the entire county.

Mr. Clark is presented to the voters of Douglas county as a candidate who will have no excuses to make, and his only promises are that the duties of the office will be faithfully discharged and a rigid economy practiced, where such economy is not detrimental to the business of the people and taxpayers. His campaign will be a clean and honorable one, and although there will be no opposition at the primaries, he desires to meet as many of the republican voters before this event as is possible, and will exert himself to this end. Mr. Clarke will carry his full party vote at the fall elections, and add strength to the ticket.

SNOWBOUND INDIANS STARVING —ONE INSANE; BURIED ALIVE

WINNIPEG, Man., March 4.—Eighty Indians snowbound in the extreme north of Saskatchewan, near Waterhen lake, today face insanity and starvation. Authorities admit their inability to reach the marooned men until the coming of warm weather. Snows there this year have been heavier than since 1896. One member of the tribe was buried alive when he went insane. One straggler managed to get through the drifts to a telegraph wire, but efforts of relief parties to follow him back failed completely.

Without ammunition, nets, traps or blankets, the Indians' plight is pitiable. Digging through six or eight feet of ice to get fish is nearly impossible. Four months ago a member of the tribe went insane from lack of food and shelter. His tribesmen, knowing of nothing better to do, buried him. An educated healer of the tribe heard of this and dug up his unbalanced fellow tribesman.

CITIZENS VISIT COUNTY COURT

Delegation Speak in Favor of Grade Crossings.

AWAIT DECISION FROM SUPREME COURT

County Court Will Not Make Order Until Decision From The Supreme Court Is Received.

That the citizens of the county will make a vigorous protest to the city's being forced to construct overhead crossings over the Roseburg & Eastern railroad between Roseburg and Dixonville was shown this morning when a large delegation appeared before the county court.

A petition which was signed by about a hundred and fifty residents of the district which is reached by the wagon road east of town was presented to the court which protested against the crossings and being forced to climb grades with loaded wagons at the places where the road is now practically level. A diagram showing the manner in which the trestle over the railroad would be constructed was presented to the court, the grade being five per cent, the trestle rising to a height of 22 feet. It was pointed out that if it was necessary to construct overhead crossings that at the one near Deer creek bridge, the city would be required to rebuild the bridge, incorporating it into the crossing, as that approach was not long enough to obtain the desired height at a five percent grade. In order that the court might hear the opinions of the people, several of the citizens' attendance were asked to express their views.

Attorney Dexter Rice said: "The decision of the court is one in which the city is vitally interested. The residents have raised money among themselves to purchase the fair grounds and rights of way. The people themselves think just as much of human life as the court and do not want to jeopardize lives." Mr. Rice then went on to show that there was very little danger at these crossings and how in case of injury caused by carelessness of the railroad company or of their employees the company would be responsible and not the city.

Mr. Rice stated that he had been associated with the Southern Pacific company since the year 1898 and that at no time in spite of the travel over this road and the many times that it crosses the Pacific highway which is the most traveled thoroughfare in the state has there been a crossing accident in which a person was killed within the county.

E. L. Parrott stated that he could not see the necessity of overhead crossings in this road. The road on both sides is open and there is plenty of time for a person traveling the wagon road to go over or stop before the train crosses the wagon road.

"I do not think it necessary to build overhead crossings, and I do not think that the people living along the road would be in favor of it," stated Mr. S. C. Barrett. "I would rather see the money expended in improving the roads on each side. I am willing to take the risk in crossing for both myself and family."

Mr. J. F. Barker stated that he had occasion to do a large amount of teaming over the road and that he did not favor the idea of having to take heavy loads over the five percent grades at the overhead crossings.

Wilbur Brown told the court that he had circulated one of the petitions and that the people residing in the district effected would much prefer grade crossings. He said that no matter what safety guards were placed along the sides of the trestle that a horse frightened at a train approaching or under the trestle would jump over and the danger would be much more than that of meeting a train on the crossings.

Among the speakers who addressed the court in favor of grade crossings were Mayor Rice, Al Cresson and A. T. Lawrence, all of whom stated that they could not see the necessity of overhead crossings and that they believed it an injustice to the residents of the city and farm districts who had raised funds to carry on the work this far to be required to pay out more for this feature.

The concluding remarks were made by Attorney O. P. Coshaw, who endeavored to show that nearly all dangerous features of the ordinary railroad crossing were eliminated in the ones under discussion. On account of the short distance between the fair grounds and the city limits the trains can obtain but little speed. The approaches to the crossings are around sharp curves which will cut the engine to a slow rate of speed in order to negotiate them properly and safely. In addition to these features the city will install any safety devices which the county court might desire, such as electric warning bells, as are used by the S. P. Company.

Judge Masters stated that the court was not ready at this time to make known its decision, but as soon as the decision from the supreme court is received that the order will be signed.

NO IMPORTANT BATTLE CHANGE

Germans Sacrifice Men Trying to Force Positions.

BERLIN OPTIMISTIC OVER OUTCOME

Reports Coming From Jerusalem Indicate That The Turks Will Soon Begin a Campaign Against Egypt.

LONDON, March 4.—Infantry attacks around Douaumont still continue, according to dispatches, but both the Paris and Berlin statements agree that there has been no important change at Verdun. Berlin announced the capture of a thousand prisoners, 276 field and machine guns around Douaumont. Paris said that lively artillery firing occurred north of Verdun last night. Berlin declared the French tried to recapture Douaumont and were repulsed. The fighting in the vicinity of Verdun is as fierce as in the early stages of the battle, and the Germans are sacrificing numerous regiments in the endeavor to smother the French.

While it appears certain that Verdun remains the principal objective of the Germans, their offensive is full of possibilities which will be revealed as the great battle progresses.

German Attack Violent.

The region of Douaumont which comprises three positions—the village, the redoubt and the fort—again was the center of a fierce German attack yesterday. The combat continues about this region.

The fact that the Germans succeeded in entering the village is considered by military observers only as a fluctuation in the tide of battle that is likely to occur during any important action.

Sortie Broken Up.

A concentrated fire of the French guns in the Woivre has forestalled a contemplated sortie on the part of the Germans. In following the present developments the military observers discuss the possibility of an attack on the right bank of the Meuse by the Germans and question whether the Germans will devote more attention in the vicinity of Fressness, on the extreme French right. These are among the mysteries of the action.

Berlin Optimistic.

BERLIN, March 4.—The capture of the town of Douaumont and the steady successes of the Germans in the region of Verdun seemingly confirm the repeated predictions of the German military experts that the

army had the strength of penetrating the extensive allied lines when the time came for it to do so.

Italian Steamer Is Sunk.

ATHENS, March 4.—The Italian steamer, Jave, was torpedoed and sunk by a submarine of unknown nationality. The crew and passengers were rescued after having been afloat for 24 hours in small boats.

Campaign Against Egypt to Begin

Constantinople reports that Enver Pasha and General Dyemal Pasha arrived in Jerusalem today which is believed to be a signal of the beginning of an active Turkish campaign against Egypt. Dyemal has been frequently mentioned as the practical leader for the Egyptian movement.

OVER 3000 LOST ON FRENCH SHIP

PARIS, March 4.—It was announced at the French ministry of marine that there were nearly 4000 men on board the French auxiliary cruiser Provence when she was sunk in the Mediterranean on February 26.

It was said that on board the Provence were the staff of the Third Colonial Infantry regiment, the Third battalion, the Second company of the First Battalion, the Second Machine Gun company and one extra company.

Loss of 3130 Lives Indicated.

As the ministry of marine on February 29, announced that the number of survivors of the Provence disaster was estimated at 870, it is indicated that upwards of 3130 lives were lost.

This great number of casualties makes the disaster the greatest on the sea in modern times. Up to the present the largest number of lives ever lost in one wreck was when the White Star liner Titanic struck an ice berg off the Newfoundland banks on April 14, 1912, and sank with a death loss of 1595. The rescued numbered 743.

The French ministry of marine had previously issued no statement as to the number of persons on the Provence when she went down.

Normal Capacity Exceeded.

The vessel, however, when in the trans-Atlantic service, could carry 1960 persons, including the crew, and it has been presumed that as she was transporting troops between ports not far apart, she was carrying a number of men larger than her normal capacity.

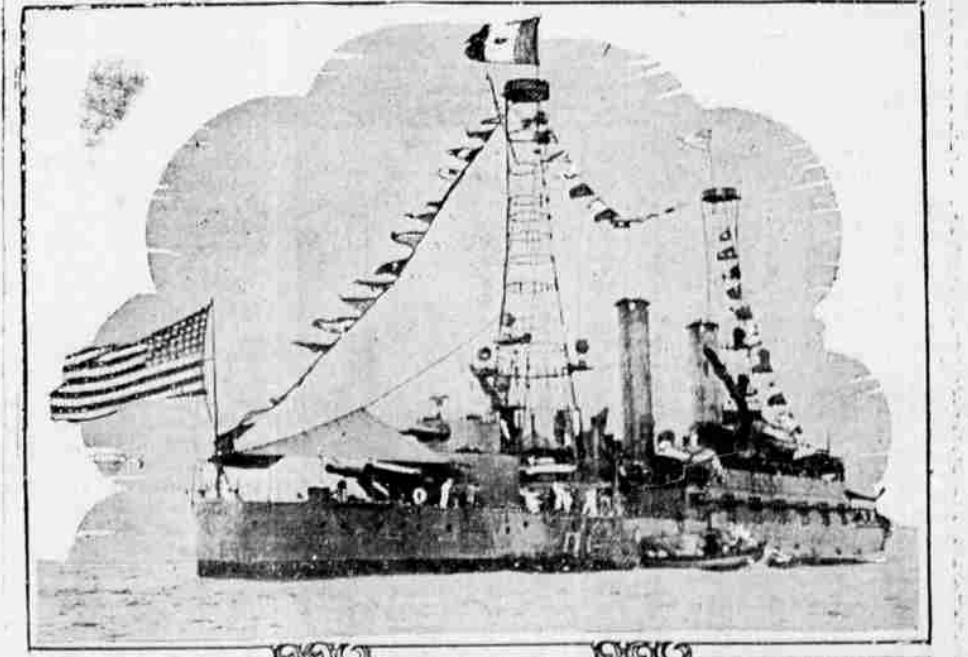
GOVERNOR NOT FOR WARNING

SALEM, March 4.—"It is my opinion and I believe the opinion of loyal Oregonians that the hands of the president should be upheld by congress," Governor Withycombe replied in response to an inquiry from the New York Times as to his position in the controversy between the president and congress over the right of American citizens to travel on armed merchantmen.

"Of necessity," continues the governor's message, "the executive must be depended on to handle in a large measure the problems of our foreign relations at a time of crisis. Wilson's insistence on the rights of American citizens on the seas as guaranteed by international law is sound and justified. If we are to retain a place of honor and respect among nations we must insist on rightful privileges and protection for our citizens."

While totally out of sympathy with much of the administration's foreign policy in the past, the president seems to me quite right in his present apparent conflict with congress.

U. S. S. KENTUCKY ORDERED FROM MEXICAN WATERS; WILL BE CONVERTED INTO TRAINING SHIP FOR THE NAVAL MILITIA



The U. S. S. Kentucky with Mexican flag flying at her main mast. The Kentucky has been ordered to leave Vera Cruz to serve as a training ship for men of the New York naval militia. The vessel, under command of Douglas F. Dismukes, has just arrived in New Orleans en route to New York. She will partake in the Mardi Gras before leaving for the north.