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UNITED STATES PREPARES FOR WAR GERMANY'S ANSWER IS ANXIOUSLY AWAITED

U. S. OFFICIALS BELIEVE WAR WITH GERMANY IS INEVITABLE

GERMANY EXPRESSES REGRET AT BREAK

Foreign Secretary Zimmerman States That Nation Will Not Change Her Policy. President Urged to Change His Stand.

Berlin, via Sayville, Feb. 6.—(United Press).—Foreign Affairs Secretary Zimmerman said today: "I exceedingly regret President Wilson's measures. They cut Germany from all direct communication with the trans-Atlantic world. They are against all traditions of international laws. We also remember that the United States diplomats attended the German interests during the war with efficiency and success. The text of the president's message has been minutely examined. There is no real cause for German hostility against the United States. We remember the traditional friendly feelings between America and Germany, since the earliest days. We naturally appreciate President Wilson's unhostile words included among words of a different character. President Wilson says he does not wish a hostile conflict. We appreciate and understand the reasons prompting the United States' present attitude. We expect President Wilson to recognize our reasons."

German Submarine Halts American Steamer. London, Feb. 6.—(United Press).—The American Liverpool collier reported that a German submarine halted the American steamer Westwego and threatened to sink her. The commander spared the vessel after the captain had surrendered three barrels of lubricating oil. The admiralty announced that the submarine Maru 45 fired five shells at the Westwego and failed to hit.

Spain: Protests Again German Submarining. Madrid, Feb. 6.—(United Press).—Spain handed the German ambassador a note protesting against submarining. This action precludes the immediate Spanish-German break. The note refuses to suspend Spanish shipping.

British Naval Aeroplane Squadron Raids Bruges. London, Feb. 6.—(United Press).—The admiralty announced that the British naval aeroplane squadron had raided Bruges Friday. They bombed torpedo boats, buildings and docks, started fires and again raided the city the following night.

German Secretary of State Says "No Way Back." Berlin, via Sayville, Feb. 6.—(United Press).—The official news agency quoted Secretary of State Helfrich as saying: "There is no way back. We shall go forward until the end. We are convinced the neutrals will be thankful. They consider submarining as an efficient means to shorten the war. It will break English tyranny on the seas. We shall do everything to destroy English brutalism."

Leyland Liner "Floridian" Sunk; Sixteen Saved. London, Feb. 6.—(United Press).—It was announced here today that a British Warley pickering ship has been sunk in the barred zone. The Leyland liner Floridian is sunk. Sixteen were saved.

Naval Militia Captain Tells Men to Be Ready. The Oregon naval militia stands ready for action. Reports from Portland say that Captain G. F. Blair and men have everything in readiness to leave, if necessary, within 24 hours. The destination would be the Bremerton, Wash., navy yard. One member of the Oregon naval militia, now in La Grande, has received unofficial instructions from Captain Blair to be ready to leave at any time. It is supposed that all men on furlough or leave have received the same instructions.

French Raiders Penetrate Lines. Paris, Feb. 6.—(United Press).—It was announced today that French raiders had penetrated the enemy's lines at three points in Alsace and had destroyed dugouts. The French repulsed two enemy raids on the right bank of the Meuse. It is calm elsewhere.

Spanish Announcement Tomorrow. Washington, D. C., Feb. 6.—(United Press).—It was reliably intimated today that Spain and Switzerland would not break relations with Germany in accordance with President Wilson's suggestion. They will remain neutral, it is said, because they are handling American and German diplomatic interests. Spain is scheduled to publish an outline of her position tomorrow.

The annual rice production of Japan has reached the 250,000,000 bushel mark.

Brazil Strongly Protests; May Follow United States. Rio de Janeiro, Feb. 6.—(United Press).—It was announced that Brazil is sending a note to Germany protesting that the latter's submarine policy is in violation of international conventions. The note declares the submariners endanger Brazilians lives and interests. The cabinet is undecided whether to follow President Wilson of the United States and break relations.

Would Draft Railway Employees. Washington, D. C., Feb. 6.—(United Press).—The house interstate commerce committee today favorably reported the Williamson bill providing military draft of railway employees in event of war and enlarging the mediation conciliation board for settlement of strikes.

Dr. Holt Lectures Tonight. The third of the series of practical lectures to be given at the Y. M. C. A. under the auspices of the senior gymnasium class will be given this evening, the speaker Dr. R. E. L. Holt will carry out the same idea that he inaugurated in his first lecture several weeks ago. This series of lectures is of great benefit to the young men and every member of the class should make an effort to attend.

THE WEATHER

Portland, Ore., Feb. 6.—(United Press).—The weather forecast is: Fair tonight with rain along the coast tomorrow. East winds.

The Difference (Boston Transcript) In military engagements there is a good deal of falling in; in love engagements a good deal of falling out.

IMMIGRATION MEASURE WILL OFFEND JAPAN

SENATOR POINDEXTER SAYS JAPANESE CRISIS IS SERIOUS.

OVERSHADOWS THE GERMAN PERIL. HE SAYS

Japanese Government Has Complained That the Immigration Bill Was Aimed Directly at Japanese Immigration and Further Protests Are Expected to Be Sent Immediately.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 6.—(United Press).—Senator Miles Poindexter of Washington today told the senate that the Japanese crisis overshadowed the German danger. "The immigration bill," he said, "leaves the Japanese situation doubtful." The Japanese government complained that the bill was aimed directly at Japanese immigration. Further protests are expected.

High School Students Find Library Valuable

Books on "High School Shelf" Are Also Available for All Borrowers—Instructors Select Students' Outside Reading Assignments.

Among the most frequent visitors at the public library are high school students in search of reading matter recommended by the English department of the school. They are required to read and report to their teachers, on a few of the books so recommended. The "high school shelf" at the library is quite as popular with the general public as with the students. Among the books bought for this purpose, but available for all library borrowers, are the following: Stalky & Co. (Rudyard Kipling); Life of the Bee (Maeterlinck); Life of Mary Lyon (Beth Bradford Gilchrist); The Piper (Josephine Preston Peabody); Cyrano de Bergerac (Edmond Rostand); Around the World in Eighty Days (Jules Verne); Margaret Ogilvy (J. M. Barrie); Milestones (Arnold Bennett).

Lincoln "Pieces" May Be Found in Library

For the celebration of Lincoln's birthday, school children in search of "pieces" may find several collections of poems and orations at the public library. The shelves also contain several works on the life of Lincoln, including the ten comprehensive volumes of Nicolay and Hay, Frances Craven's "Story of Lincoln for Children" for the youngest readers, and the works on the same subject by C. W. Moores, Helen Nicolay and Brand Whitlock. Dr. E. O. Sisson, commissioner of education for Idaho, a prominent speaker at the last teachers' institute in this county, has an unusual knowledge and appreciation of the life and works of Lincoln. While visiting the La Grande library during the institute he recommended the addition of Miss Ida Tarbell's "Life of Lincoln" and Whipple's "Story-Life of Lincoln." The latter book has been ordered and will shortly be put on the shelves.

DAMAGE SUIT FILED AGAINST GARDINIERS

MEYERS & LEITER CHARGE BREACH OF CONTRACT IN OPENING THEATER.

DAMAGES OF \$5000 AND AN INJUNCTION ASKED

Complaint Alleges That S. A. Gardinier for \$800 Paid Him by Peoples Amusement Company Agreed Not to Operate Opposition Theater During Period of Lease of Meyers & Leiter on Arcade Theater.

Meyers & Leiter, proprietors of the Arcade theater, filed suit last night against S. A. Gardinier and wife, Madlin Gardinier, to restrain them from conducting the Colonial theater, alleging breach of contract in that S. A. Gardinier had contracted not to run an opposition theater during the period of the present lease on the Arcade theater, for which contract it is alleged he had been paid \$800 by the Peoples Amusement company, their predecessors. The complaint follows:

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AT THE HOTELS

Sommer. B. F. Gray, T. H. Snelman, M. D. Owens, F. G. Delano, W. P. Gibson, H. Meyer, W. J. Kell, H. W. Banfield, Sol Baum, Bert Moersch, P. M. Nissen, T. R. Blackmer, Portland; F. L. Berry, Kansas City; Mrs. D. R. McKenzie, A. C. Glenn and wife, Summerville; C. I. Hazen, Elgin; H. C. Derrick, Mrs. Orville Derrick, Richland; A. N. Stahl, Enterprise; S. P. Chatham, Payette; Thomas Stewart, D. M. McKenzie, Ontario; H. W. Smith, W. W. Neumeier, Seattle; Evan Carrigan, Peter Eotz, Lewiston, Maine.

Savoy. W. M. Hardy, Earl Hardy, Summerville; M. C. Cropper, Palmer Junction; Jack Dinamore, Sam Dinsmore, St. Marys, Idaho; T. L. Sherod, Free-water; W. B. Workman, W. S. Dougherty, Elgin; I. A. Bingamon and wife, L. B. Lamen and wife, H. McGoldrick and wife, Imbler; I. R. Snook, Haines; M. S. Holt, J. M. Dean, L. W. Evans, Baker; W. C. Werat, Pendleton; J. N. Kalmbach, Palmer Valley; George Perry, Island City; Ralph Bloom and wife, Lostine; Perry Blanchard and wife, Union; C. G. Harrison, A. L. Barnes, E. T. Sloggy, J. A. Kirtland, J. N. Davis, J. E. Stiles, J. W. John.

Foley. Joe Casper, Libby, Montana; F. L. Finklea, L. G. Rose, J. D. Brownell, E. W. Helm, Portland; Mrs. Chas. Spain, Mrs. J. C. Yandell, Joseph; Fay Smith, Wallawa; J. B. Armstrong, Missoula, Mont.; Bert Smith, Union; C. W. Stults, New York; E. E. Beeman, Buhl; Miss Madge Hyde, Mrs. Jennie Hyde, Prairie City; Elmer George, Haines; L. W. Evans, Baker; A. J. Unruh, Paradise; O. M. Neumerster, Tacoma; R. Heppon, Spokane; W. B. Butterfield, Pearl Howard.

Doubtless the way of the transgressor is hard, but the people who travel thereon never seem to get very lonesome.

ANSWER TO WILSON MAY BE WAR NOTE

Washington Continues to Prepare For War. Cabinet Meeting This Afternoon. Americans Ordered to Leave Germany.

Washington, Feb. 6.—(United Press).—Germany's answer to the diplomatic break is expected in twenty-four hours. It may be a declaration of war. Officials believe war is inevitable.

Ambassador Bernstorff recently reiterated his assertion that Germany would declare war in the event of a rupture. The government rapidly continued war preparation. A cabinet meeting will be held this afternoon. The Eaveston case conclusively proved that Germany is waging a ruthless sea war. Official state department reports that the submarine shelled the life boats killing Richard Wallace, an American negro. This was the contrary of all international law despite the fact that the Eaveston was a British Naval Collier. This increased the tension. The administration requested full details. The state department cabled Ambassador Gerard advising all Americans to leave Germany.

House Will Appropriate Millions for War Supplies. Washington, D. C., Feb. 6.—(United Press).—Under stress of national emergency the house almost unanimously adopted the naval committee report which is assured of passage. The appropriations include a million and a quarter for machine guns, a million for anti-aircraft guns and six million for arming auxiliary cruisers. The measure authorizes the president to commandeer all shipbuilding plants, all plants capable of producing war materials. It gives the president one hundred and fifty millions to rush completion of ships, and appropriates a million for purchase of a new aeroplane patent.

ALLEGED CONSPIRATORS TO POISON PREMIER GEORGE HELD FOR TRIAL

Derby, England, Feb. 6.—(United Press).—The Court ordered all four alleged conspirators in the attempt to poison Premier David Lloyd George, committed to trial. They pleaded not guilty.

Pay-up Week Is Bargain Week As Well

Not alone will the payment of bills generate business and pass prosperity around, but the business men of the nation are backing it up by making ridiculously low price offers on standard merchandise during National Pay Up Week. Every line of business will put some special article or articles out for bargain prices during this particular week and it should be of great benefit to the trading public to make their cash purchases at these savings. Every community is looking forward to a general benefit to everybody in the community and there is no question but what the national movement is of mutual benefit to both buyer and seller, payer and collector.

NEGRO ON TRIAL TODAY

Murray, Ky., Feb. 6.—(United Press).—With the trial of Lube Martin, negro, scheduled to begin here today, local authorities were wondering whether the remarkable oratorical powers of Governor A. O. Stanley would again be necessary to keep him from being lynched. Martin is charged with the murder of Guthrie Duiguid, a policeman. When his trial came up January 10, Judge Charles Bush and Denny Smith, commonwealth attorney, agreed that the feeling against the negro was too intense for a trial at that time and had the negro spirited away. The crowd became a mob and throughout the following night threatened to dynamite the hotel where Judge Bush and Smith spent the night. Governor Stanley rushed to Murray on a special train, declaring that the

mob would have to attack the governor of Kentucky before it attacked Judge Bush and Smith. He pleaded with the mob and it finally dispersed. Special precautions were taken to guard the negro today.

AMERICAN ROAD BUILDERS FACE TRAFFIC PROBLEM

Boston, Feb. 6.—(United Press).—Chief among the problems up for settlement at the annual convention of the American Road Builders' association, which met here today, is the development of a road that heavy motor trucks cannot tear to pieces. Motor trucks have played havoc with all kinds of roads throughout the country and D. B. Goodsell, who has made an exhaustive study of materials in this connection, will tell what he thinks about it and afterwards the problem will be discussed by the convention in open session. A missionary pageant is to be given by the Young Women's Christian Association of the State College of Washington early in the spring semester. Miss Ruth Harding has been appointed manager.

NORTH POWDER CHILDREN GIVE GOOD PLAY THERE

One of the most enjoyable evenings of pleasure was spent by a majority of citizens of North Powder at the auditorium of the high school Tuesday night at the wedding of "Tom Thumb and Miss Lily Putnam Midger," a play given by the little tots of the school. The play from the start to the last act was an excellent one and replete with laughable features, in fact it was a scream from the first. Those who were instrumental in putting play are entitled to much North Powder News.