

FIGHT ON SHIP BILL SHIFTS TO HOUSE

Compromise Measure Seems
Unlikely to Win--Conces-
sions Are Insufficient.

Washington.—The fight over the government ship purchase bill was shifted from the senate to the house. In the senate the measure, blocked by determined republican opposition, was displaced as the unfinished business, and a cloture rule, designed to terminate the filibuster forcibly, was taken up.

The cloture rule presented in the senate met the same republican filibuster that had blocked the shipping bill.

The democratic caucus of the house committed itself to the administration compromise ship purchase bill by a vote of 154 to 29.

Seventeen democrats in the caucus announced their intention of voting against the bill despite the caucus action, taking advantage of exceptions granted under the caucus rules.

Charges and counter-charges from democratic and republican sources concerning influences for and against the government ship purchase bill, which have smoldered about the capital for two weeks, were made the subject of a special investigation by the senate.

The decision to inquire into alleged lobbying by agents of the "shipping trust" against the bill and into intimations of negotiations for options on belligerent ships to be sold to the government was unanimous.

With the decision departed the last hope of some of the most earnest champions of the shipping measure that the bill could be passed in the senate by March 4.

The administration compromise measure, as it was being framed would organize a shipping board with an appropriation of \$40,000,000 to engage in shipping for a period ending two years after the termination of the war. Then the ships would be turned over to the secretary of the navy, to be leased or operated in the merchant service in his discretion. This plan to place the government permanently in the shipping business was the point insisted upon by the administration. It is also the provision against which the senate republican filibuster is chiefly aimed.

MAY SEND FOOD TO BELGIUM

American Steamship *Wilhelmina* Not Allowed to Proceed to Germany.

London.—The foreign office announced definitely that if the cargo of the American steamship *Wilhelmina* should be diverted for the relief of the distressed in Belgium, the decision to send her cargo to a British prize court would be reconsidered. Otherwise her cargo must be submitted to the decision of the court.

Washington.—Evidence submitted by the owners of the steamship *Wilhelmina* to prove that the ship is loaded with foodstuffs for non-combatants and not subject to seizure was forwarded by the state department to Ambassador Page for presentation to the London foreign office, with the suggestion that unless Great Britain has sufficient grounds not yet advanced for doing otherwise the ship at once be permitted to proceed with her cargo to her destination.

Laborer Kills Seattle Claim Clerk.
Seattle, Wash. — Richard Imento, a laborer, entered the office of A. M. Lee, assistant general claim agent of the Northern Pacific railroad, shot and killed Charles Dryden, Mr. Lee's chief clerk, and shot and probably fatally wounded R. E. Patton, another clerk in the office. Imento was shot and probably fatally wounded by the police.

RUSSIANS DEFEATED BY QUIET STRATEGY

Berlin, via London.—The success of the Germans in east Prussia emphasizes, according to the view held here, the quiet strategy of Field Marshal von Hindenburg, which is designed to strike an enemy when and where the blow is least expected.

Von Hindenburg veiled his plans by reinforcing the Austrians in the Carpathians in order to make a strong diversion and misled the Russians into thinking that the real flanking movement was to be carried out there. Meanwhile he assembled a strong army above the Mazurian lakes, composed for the most part of fresh recruits.

Twenty-six thousand Russian troops, 20 big cannon, 30 machine guns and a large quantity of war material were captured by the Germans in east Prussia in the sudden offensive which has sent the *Czar's* force of invaders hurriedly back in the direction of their own border. The *kaiser* was in the vicinity of the operation in person.

MAINE MEMORIAL

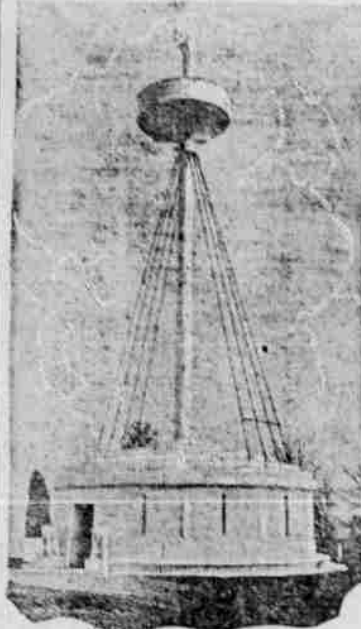


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The Maine Memorial, dedicated in Arlington Cemetery February 15 to the memory of the sailors who perished on the battleship.

TIMES DYNAMITER TAKEN

M. A. Schmidt Arrested in New York After a Search of Four Years.

New York.—M. A. Schmidt, object of a world-wide search for more than four years, in connection with the dynamiting of the Los Angeles Times, was arrested here. Detective William J. Burns, who, with Detective Captain William S. Devy, of the New York police department, made the arrest, asserted that Schmidt admitted his identity a few minutes after he was taken into custody.

Schmidt was taken on a fugitive warrant. According to Burns, he is charged with being one of the three men who bought 1000 pounds of dynamite with which the newspaper plant was ruined and 21 persons carried to their deaths.

Fanny Crosby is Dead.

Bridgeport, Conn.—Fanny Crosby, writer of 8000 sacred songs, died in her home here. She was past 94 years old and had been blind since infancy.

Henev's Manager is Now His Wife.

Los Angeles.—Francis J. Henev, progressive candidate for the United States senate in California, at the last election, and Mrs. Edna Van Winkle, his campaign manager, were married here.

Guadalajara Falls Before Villa's Men.

El Paso, Texas.—Guadalajara, the second largest city in Mexico, was captured by the troops of General Villa, according to advices reaching the Villa headquarters here.

CARRANZA ISSUES DEFIANT DEMAND

Washington.—General Venustiano Carranza, as first chief of the constitutional army, notified the world that all communications to his government from outside sources must pass through him.

Carranza's decree reached Washington through Rafael Zubaran Capmany, his minister of the interior, who telegraphed it to Elisa Arredondo, Carranza's local representative. The order apparently will make it impossible for diplomatic representatives of foreign governments to deal with the Carranza government except by going to Vera Cruz, which they have been unwilling to do lest such action be construed as formal recognition.

Already most of the diplomats at Mexico City have asked their governments for permission to leave when the situation becomes intolerable and some of them have been advised to use their own discretion.

The order may also affect the activity of American consular representatives, who heretofore have dealt with the de facto government, whatever it happened to be.

THE MARKETS

Portland.

Wheat—Club, \$1.49; bluestem \$1.50; red Russian, \$1.42; forty-fold, \$1.50; red rife, \$1.45.

Hay—Eastern Oregon timothy, \$16; grain hay, \$12; alfalfa, \$13; valley timothy, \$12.50.

Butter—Creamery, 32c.

Eggs—Candled, 25c; ranch, 24c.

Hops—1914 crop, 12½c; 1913 crop, nominal.

Wool—Valley, 23c; eastern Oregon, 20c.

Seattle.

Wheat—Bluestem, \$1.50; club \$1.48; red Russian, \$1.43; turkey red, \$1.44; forty-fold, \$1.49; rife, \$1.45.

Barley—\$27 per ton.

Hay—Timothy, \$16 per ton; alfalfa, \$14 per ton.

Butter—Creamery, 32c.

Eggs—26c.

GERMAN NOTE TO AMERICA RECEIVED

Recession From Plan Offered
if Allies Will Allow Food to
Reach Civilians.

Washington.—Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, delivered a note to the United States, in which Germany offered to recede from her plan of destroying enemy merchant ships, if restrictions placed by the allies on shipments of conditional contraband and foodstuffs destined to the civilian population of Germany were removed.

Otherwise, the note announced, Germany proposes to put into effect the original proclamation, adding also the stringing of mines in waters surrounding Great Britain and Ireland.

Alleged arming of British merchant vessels is given by the German government as ground for attacking enemy merchant ships without search or previous visit.

It was said that the note received by the ambassador from his foreign office was not a reply to the recent American note to Germany in regard to the war zone decree. A more comprehensive and detailed reply to the communication is expected soon.

The British reply to the American note of protest on neutral shipping, dated December 25, was also received. Besides entering a general denial that there had been any unwarranted interference with legitimate shipments, the new note contains a statement from Great Britain that the recent government decree taking over the flour and grain supply in Germany required added precautions on the part of the allies.

Swiss Demand Apology.

Bern, via Paris.—An official inquiry has established that the aeroplane which recently flew over Swiss territory and on which the Swiss troops fired was a German machine and the Swiss minister at Berlin has been instructed to demand an apology from the German government.

GERARD CAUTIONS GERMANS

Countrymen in United States Declared Americans First.

Berlin, via London.—The National Zeitung publishes an interview with James W. Gerard, the United States ambassador to Germany, concerning the situation brought about by the presentation of the American note to the neutral shipping in the sea war zone recently created by Germany.

Asked by the interviewer concerning the attitude of German-Americans, Ambassador Gerard is reported in the National Zeitung as having answered: "People in Germany are too readily disposed to believe that German-Americans would be first Germans and then Americans in case of war. Exactly the opposite would be the case. American citizens of German birth are first and foremost Americans and the same spirit is true of Irish-Americans."

Russians Driven Out of Bukowina.

Washington.—Private dispatches to the Austro-Hungarian foreign office, forwarded to the embassy in Washington, from Vienna, announced the complete evacuation of Bukowina by Russian forces.

BATTLE IN BLIZZARD IS WON BY GERMANS

London.—Signal defeat of the French in the region of Soudain was admitted by Paris. Following a fierce battle fought in a raging blizzard the French forces were driven from their advantageous position in that vicinity.

The official statement received from France explains the defeat by declaring the French troops were hopelessly outnumbered and that the blizzard made it impossible for the artillery to render them effective support.

An official statement from Berlin declares more than 200 of the allies were killed and that four officers and 478 men were taken prisoners. The German losses, it is claimed, were but 90 men.

The Germans also claim taking more than 1200 yards of trenches held by the French north of Massiges, to the northwest of St. Meneshould. A French attack on Sudelkof, on the Vosges, is reported to have been easily repulsed.

Rome Menaced by Floods.

Rome.—The flood waters in the streets around St. Peter's have risen to a height of 4 feet and 11 inches. Several walls have collapsed, but without serious consequences.

The lower parts of Rome are flooded by the high waters of the River Tiber, which has reached a maximum height of 57 feet. Considerable damage has been done to homes in the rural districts and in the poorer section of the city.

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EUGENE HILDON,
Administrator of the estate of
Ralph D. Hildon, deceased.

Summons

In the circuit court of the state of Oregon for Crook county.

Paul Kuehl, plaintiff,

vs.

L. D. Howland and — Howland, his wife, L. A. Taylor and Susie C. Masters and D. C. Masters, and all others interested, defendants.

To L. D. Howland and — Howland, his wife, L. A. Taylor, and Susie C. Masters and D. C. Masters, the above named defendants, and to all others interested:

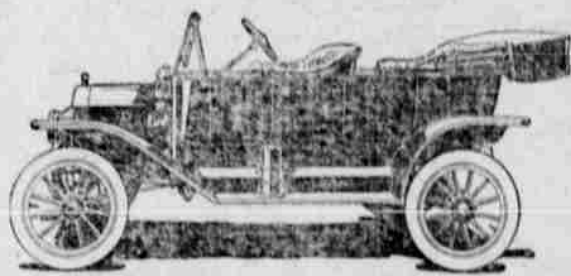
In the name of the state of Oregon, You and each of you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint of plaintiff filed against you in the above entitled court and suit within ten days from the date of the service of this summons upon you, or, if served upon you by publication thereof as provided by law, then on or before Saturday, the 6th day of March, 1915, and you and each of you are hereby notified that if you fail to so appear or answer, for want thereof the plaintiff will take a decree against you for the relief prayed for in the complaint, to-wit: A judgment against the defendant, L. D. Howland, for the sum of Nine hundred dollars, with interest thereon at rate of eight per cent per annum from the 22nd day of September, 1911, and for the further sum of One hundred twenty-five dollars as attorney's fees, and for the cost and disbursements of this suit, and for a decree of said court that a certain indenture of mortgage executed by the defendant, L. D. Howland, on the 22nd day of September, 1911, to one J. H. Maden, on the southwest quarter of the north west quarter of section twenty-four, in township fourteen south, of range thirteen east of the Willamette Meridian in Crook county, state of Oregon, which said mortgage is recorded in Book 14 on page 85, Records of Mortgages of Crook county, Oregon, be foreclosed according to law, and said premises sold in the manner provided by law, and the proceeds of said sale applied to the payment of said judgment, interest, attorney's fees and costs, and that the defendants, and all persons claiming by, through or under them or any of them be forever barred, estopped and foreclosed from having or claiming any right, title or interest in or to said premises or any part thereof, and for such other and further relief as may be just and proper in the premises.

This summons is published in the Crook County Journal by order of the Hon. G. Springer, judge of the county court of the state of Oregon for Crook county, and county judge of said county, made and entered on the 19th day of January, 1915, for six full weeks in seven consecutive and successive issues of said paper commencing with the issue of January 21st, 1915, and ending with the issue of March 4th, 1915.

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