

### LONDON BELIEVES U. S. NEUTRALITY IS NEAR THE END

PRESIDENT WILSON'S SPEECH IS REGARDED AS LAST MOVE FOR PEACE IN EUROPE.

### DEMOCRATIC SENATE LEADERS AND PRESIDENT HOLD NIGHT MEETING

Republicans Endeavor to Secure Open Debate—Ambassador Gerard Summoned to German Foreign Office By Chancellor.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—Five Democratic leaders of the senate, three of them members of the foreign relations committee, had a long conference with President Wilson at the White House tonight. Afterward all of them returned to their homes.

In the conference were Chairman Stone and Senators Pomeroy and Sanbury, of the foreign relations committee, and Senators Walsh and Hoke Smith. The president is much interested in the efforts of Senator Cummins and other Republicans to force an open debate on his peace address, and in some quarters it is believed that it was in this connection that the senators were called to the White House.

LONDON, Jan. 24.—The American Ambassador at Berlin, James W. Gerard, was called to the foreign office today, whether he was summoned by the imperial chancellor for a conversation respecting President Wilson's address to the senate, says a Berlin dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company byway of Amsterdam.

The conference lasted for more than an hour and later the ambassador sent a long wireless message to Washington "at the urgent request of the German government."

In parliamentary circles, says the correspondent, President Wilson's speech is generally considered a last move for peace and that, if it is unsuccessful, the president will be obliged to side finally with one of the belligerents.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—Determined opposition was revealed by administration leaders in the senate today to Senator Cummins' proposal to set aside next week for free discussion of President Wilson's world peace address. Led by Senator Stone, chairman of the foreign relations committee, the Democrats stood against the Cummins resolution, maintaining that with the press of legislative business such a discussion at this time would make necessary an extra session of congress.

### BRIEF BULLETINS

After 41 Years, Mercy Comes.

BOSTON, Jan. 24.—To Jesse Pomeroy, who has been for 41 years in solitary confinement in the state prison at Charlestown, were granted equal privileges with other prisoners by the State Executive council today. Convicted of murder at 15, Pomeroy two years later was locked up in a cell lighted from a window in the ceiling, so that he might not gaze on his fellow-men. He was exercised apart from the other prisoners and barred, as far as possible, from human companionship. Two years ago the sentence was enforced less rigorously to accord with modern ideas of prison reform. He received more opportunities for exercise in the prison yard and was allowed to attend church services twice on Sundays, sitting apart from the other men.

Plan to Forbid Strikes Defeated.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—For the second time since it began consideration of railroad legislation to supplement the Adamson law, the senate interstate commerce committee today declined to approve a provision suggested by President Wilson forbidding a strike or lockout pending investigation of a labor controversy. The vote was 16 to 5, with three Democrats, Senators Underwood, Thompson and Smith of South Carolina, voting with the Republicans in the negative.

Arkansas Now 'Bone-Dry'

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Jan. 24.—The Arkansas house of representatives today passed the senate prohibition bill making the state "bone-dry." Governor C. E. Drough announced he will sign the act this afternoon. The bill becomes effective as soon as signed.

Leak Probe Is Delayed.

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—To give Stock Exchange brokers time to produce records of the dealings of their customers during the time the international peace situation was a factor in the stock market, the rules committee of the house suspended its "leak" inquiry and returned to Washington today. They probably will come back next Tuesday, by which time it is expected the brokers' accounts will have been examined by the committee's experts.

DON'T MISS THIS. Cut out this slip, enclose five cents to Foley & Co., 2335 Sheffield Ave., Chicago, Ill., writing your name and address clearly. You will receive in return a trial package containing Foley's Honey and Tar Compound for bronchial coughs, colds and croup; Foley's Kidney Pills, for pain in side and back, rheumatism, headache, kidney and bladder ailments; and Foley's Cathartic Tablets, a wholesome and thoroughly cleansing cathartic, especially comforting to stout persons. Jones Drug Co. (Adv.)

### ZIMMERMANN, SAYS ENTENTE HAS BARRED PEACE FOR THE PRESENT.



DR. ALFRED ZIMMERMANN

Dr. Alfred Zimmermann, the German foreign minister, in an interview asserted that, in his opinion, the entente reply to President Wilson's peace note barred the possibility for the present of further German steps to bring about peace. In particular, he says, it precluded any direct announcement by Germany of her peace conditions in answer to the terms set forth in the entente note.

Dr. Zimmermann asserted, however, that the answer of the entente to the president did not finally and completely close the door to later efforts for peace before one side or the other was completely crushed.

The foreign minister said the German terms were such that the uncollected promulgation of them in their moderate details, after what he characterized as the aspiring program of conquest and dismemberment outlined by the entente, would be interpreted by the entente powers as a sign of weakness and of a desire for peace at any cost.

### SELECTION OF GRAYSON IS STRONGLY OPPOSED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—Strong opposition was developed today in naval circles to the appointment of Dr. Cary T. Grayson, the president's personal aide and physician, to be a medical director with the rank of rear admiral. The doctor is very popular in official circles and the opposition is not based on any criticism of his ability.

It arises entirely from the fact that he is promoted from far down on the medical corps list to second in rank in that corps, jumping over the heads of many officers senior to him. He is promoted over the heads of 114 officers in his particular corps, 14 passed assistant surgeons, 85 surgeons and 15 medical inspectors.

However, officials at the White House declared that the president had made the appointment a personal one and that he would insist upon confirmation.

### PRESIDENT MAY TOUR TO TALK PEACE MOVE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—President Wilson has taken under consideration a suggestion that after congress adjourns he make a number of speeches in different parts of the country in a campaign of education in connection with the ideas expressed by him in his address on peace before the senate.

Officials said today the president had reached no conclusion and would not do so for several weeks.

### RUSSIANS TAKE 420,000 OF ENEMY PRISONERS

PETROGRAD, Jan. 19.—Four hundred and twenty thousand German soldiers and 877 German officers were captured by Russian troops during the year 1916, according to figures published by the Service Journal today in reviewing Russia's war achievements for the 12 months past.

In addition to these captures of men, Russian forces also took 525 cannons, 1561 machine guns and 431 trench mortars and nine throwers. Of the booty, both in men and guns, it is estimated that 89 per cent came from General Brusiloff's three months' operation on a 300-mile front.

Applying Physics in a Street Car. One of the fundamental theories you were taught in your high school physics will save you a lot of trouble every day if you apply it.

Strap hangers in the street cars lurch forward when the car stops and backward when it starts. It's inconvenient, especially if a 200 pounder hits you. Remember that place in the physics text, "To every action there is an opposite and equal reaction."

Well, apply it. When the car stops lean toward the rear. When it starts lean toward the front. You lurch because you're the opposite reaction to the car's movement. Simple and practical. Isn't it?—Columbus Dispatch.

### GERMAN TORPEDO FLEET ATTACKED BY THE BRITISH

TEUTON CRAFT FORCED OUT OF ZEEBRUGGE BY ICE MEET SQUADRON OF FOE.

### SEVEN GERMAN SHIPS REPORTED SUNK BY MEN IN ENGAGEMENT

London, However, Officially Claims Only One of Enemy and Admits Loss of Vessel in Another Fight Off Schouwen Bank.

LONDON, Jan. 23.—Reports from Ymuiden received by Reuter's Telegram company at Amsterdam say that German torpedo boats last night attempted to leave Zeebrugge to avoid the ice, which was exceedingly thick. They were immediately attacked by a large British squadron.

The action opened at short range and early in the fight the bridge of the German destroyer V-69 was swept away by a direct hit, the commander and two other officers being killed.

The British destroyer was lost, also, in another engagement. The V-69 fired one torpedo and was then hit by another British shell, which knocked the funnel flat on the deck. Still another shell put a hole in the fore part of the vessel. Her guns appear not to have been damaged. The crew of the V-69 numbered about 60.

It would appear from the statements of the men that seven other German vessels were sunk. The V-69 belonged to the home fleet.

According to a Reuter dispatch from Ymuiden, it was officially stated that four were killed aboard the V-69, including the commander, Lieutenant Boehm, and the commander of the flotilla, Captain Schultz.

According to a Hague report to the Exchange Telegraph company, two German ships were sunk and three others badly damaged in the North Sea fight.

The officers statement issued here today says that a German destroyer was sunk, and admits that in another engagement in the vicinity of Schouwen Bank a destroyer was lost.

### SENATOR SUTHERLAND OF UTAH NOW HEADS AMERICAN BAR ASS'N



SEN. SUTHERLAND

Senator George Sutherland of Utah has been elected president of the American Bar association for 1917, defeating by four votes Walter George Smith of Philadelphia. The vote was twenty-six for Senator Sutherland and twenty-two for Mr. Smith. Senator Sutherland is one of the best known Republicans of Utah. He is not connected with the Mormon church in any way. For years he practiced law in Provo, but left there for Salt Lake to seek wider fields and increase his political standing.

Washed Over an Isthmus. In October, 1820, a wonderful marine disaster occurred at Chesil Beach. Ten ships were driven ashore and nine of them were smashed to firewood. The tenth vessel, a craft of 500 tons, was thrown by a wave over the beach from the West bay and floated off into the smooth waters of Portland Roads.

In this voyage—short but extraordinary—she crossed right over the isthmus along which now runs the London and Southwestern line and the King's highway. — Westminster Gazette.

Family Stuff. "You are paying no attention either to the opera or the conversation. Does nothing interest you?" "Now, I've heard that gossip Mrs. Flubdu is relating almost as often as I've heard Aida." — Pittsburgh Post.

### KUNZ WANTS ALL CATALOGUED SO GOVERNMENT CAN USE IN WAR TIME



DR. GEORGE F. KUNZ

Dr. George F. Kunz, the famous New York gem expert, geologist, etc., and retiring vice president of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, told the association at its convention in New York that for national defense purposes the entire population of the United States should be catalogued and the men classified according to their various abilities or adaptations under letters A, B, C, D, etc., showing their fitness for their various vocations according to a percentage up to 10.

An examination of these men should be made two, three or four times a year so that one could judge in the case of a ditch digger, a mechanic, a soldier or whatever the other vocation might be—whether the man was at a 20, 30, 50 or 100 per cent standard. This need not involve heavy expense. The men could be weighed, their temperature taken, their eyes examined and a summary judgment formed of their actual health.

The ratings as to fitness must of course depend upon experimental tests. However, in a large majority of instances the attestation of the manager or superintendent under whom the workers were placed would afford the most conclusive evidence as to their degree of fitness.

These three men dictate food policies of France Germany and Britain.

### THESE THREE MEN DICTATE FOOD POLICIES OF FRANCE GERMANY AND BRITAIN



Top to Bottom, THIERY, VON BATOCKI, LORD DEVONPORT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—So-called blue-sky laws of Ohio, Michigan and South Dakota, regulating the sale of securities and designed to bar get-rich-quick schemes, were upheld as constitutional by the supreme court in far-reaching decisions affecting similar laws in 26 states.

The court admits that such statutes may curb and burden legitimate business, but hold the interests of legitimate business are not paramount to police powers of states to protect their citizens from fraud. Federal court injunctions suspending enforcement of the laws are dissolved.

### WILSON WANTS PEACE LEAGUE OF WORLD POWERS

PRESIDENT PUTS UP TO SENATE PLAN WHICH WOULD REVERSE NATIONAL POLICY.

### FOR FIRST TIME IN 100 YEARS EXECUTIVE APPEARS IN SENATE

Peace Made By Conqueror Is Not Permanent, He Says—Realization of Plan, Long Sought, Declared To Be Possible Now.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—Whether the United States shall enter a world peace league and, as many contend, thereby abandon its traditional policy of isolation and no entangling alliances, was put squarely before congress and the country today by President Wilson in a personal address to the senate.

For the first time in more than a hundred years a president of the United States appeared in the senate chamber to discuss the nation's foreign relations after the manner of Washington, Adams and Madison. The effect was to leave congress, all official quarters and the foreign diplomats amazed and bewildered. The president himself, after his address, said:

"I have said what everybody has been longing for, but thought impossible. Now it appears to be possible." The chief points of the president's address were:

That a lasting peace in Europe cannot be a peace of victory for either side.

That peace must be followed by a definite concert of power to assure the world that no catastrophe of war shall overwhelm it again.

That in such a concert of power the United States cannot withhold its participation to guarantee peace and justice throughout the world.

That before a peace is made the United States government should frankly formulate the conditions upon which it would feel justified in asking the American people for their formal and solemn adherence.

Bad Habits. Those who breakfast at eight o'clock or later, lunch at twelve and have dinner at six are almost certain to be troubled with indigestion. They do not allow time for one meal to digest before taking another. Not less than five hours should elapse between meals. If you are troubled with indigestion correct your habits and take Chamberlain's Tablets, and you may reasonably hope for a quick recovery. These tablets strengthen the stomach and enable it to perform its functions naturally. Obtainable everywhere. (Adv.)

### EXHAUSTED ARMY AIRMEN FOUND IN MEXICAN WILDS

TWO OFFICERS RESCUED AFTER SPENDING FOUR DAYS WITHOUT WATER OR FOOD.

### LIEUTENANT-COLONEL BISHOP TOO WEAK TO BE TAKEN FROM HILLS

Wanderings Due to Insufficiency of Maps, Engine Troubles, Treacherous Winds, Says Lieutenant Robertson at Wellton.

WELLTON, Ariz., Jan. 19.—Lieutenant-Colonel Harry G. Bishop and Lieutenant W. A. Robertson, missing army aviators, exhausted from walking four days in the wilds of Sonora without food or water, were found yesterday more than 20 miles south of Wellton by a civilian searching party from Wellton.

Lieutenant Robertson was brought here today by the searchers. Lieutenant-Colonel Bishop, too weak to walk, was left in charge of four searchers in the Rosario Mountains, where he was found last night at 10 o'clock.

Two sandwiches and two oranges each was all the food the men had tasted since they left the North Island aviation base at San Diego, Cal., January 10, on their flight. Robertson told the searchers.

Water which they took from a radiator of the airplane after they landed on the east coast of the Gulf of California was exhausted four days ago, Robertson said. They had tasted none since, he told the searchers.

Robertson was found yesterday following the tracks of the automobile of the searching party. He was following the base of the Gila Mountains, 20 miles south of the border. He directed the searching party to the Rosario Mountains, 30 miles farther south, where he said he left Bishop the day before.

General Robert George Nivelles, who succeeded General Petain to the command of the Verdun terrain in May and recaptured Douaumont and Vaux in October, has been named commander in chief of the French armies in the north and northeast of France, succeeding Joffre, who becomes a member of the war council in Paris.

### OREGON BLUE-SKY LAW FOUND CONSTITUTIONAL BY THE SUPREME COURT

FEDERAL COURT INJUNCTIONS ARE DISSOLVED—POLICE POWERS ARE UPHELD.

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### SECOND WOMAN NAMED IN 'LEAK' INQUIRY

MUCH MYSTERY SURROUNDS HER PART IN SITUATION—WHIPPLE IS COUNSEL.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—The name of a second woman of mystery may be dragged into the house note leak committee hearings.

Mrs. Ruth Thomason Visconti, the first mystery woman, is slated to be a witness before the committee Monday. At that time, with Sherman L. Whipple, noted Boston attorney, as counsel, the committee intend to go to the bottom of her reported story naming a newspaper man and Secretary Tumulty.

In stripping the mystery from this woman, it is likely the committee will investigate her relations with a second woman, even more mysterious than the first. As the rumor goes, this second woman may know even more of the leak situation and if the testimony shapes up in accord with the rumors, the hearings will be more pungently spicy than at any time to date.

Just how far Mrs. Visconti will go toward confirming Lawson's statement that she told him of an alleged note leak deal is problematical.

Majority members say Tumulty and the newspaperman will be cleared beyond a shadow of doubt.

Attorney Whipple was booked to consult with committee members today. While he had not formally accepted the position of counsel, there was no doubt that his visit meant acceptance and that he would at once set to work studying the line of attack.

Next week the committee plans to have the biggest of the nation's financiers as witnesses, though whether the sessions may adjourn to New York still is undecided.

Took His Advice. "He told his wife she ought to take cooking lessons." "Did she?" "Well, yes. She sent for her mother to come and give her a three months' course."

Worth While. One advantage in being good is found in the fact that you avoid crowds.—Philadelphia Ledger.

### FRANCE MAKES NIVELLE COMMANDER IN CHIEF IN PLACE OF JOFFRE



GEN. NIVELLE

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General Nivelles is half English, his mother having been a Miss Sparrow of Deal. He is sixty years of age and comes from Tulle, in the department of Correze. In August, 1914, he was a colonel in command of the Fifth regiment of artillery, expecting soon to be retired. Joffre brought him forward, and in October he was made general of brigade and a few weeks later placed in command of the Sixty-first infantry division. On Dec. 23, 1915, he became a general and was appointed to command the Third army corps.

Earlier in the day a cablegram from Consul Stewart at Pernambuco announced the landing there of the St. Theodore's crew, including nine Americans, by the Japanese steamer Hudson Maru, another of the raider's prizes. The consul said the other ships captured were believed to have had no Americans aboard.

Most questions of international law are involved, however, in the conversion of a merchantman into a commerce destroyer on the high seas. The United States as well as Great Britain has refused to recognize the legality of such conversion. If American ships are sunk by such converted vessels or American cargo on other ships is lost it is expected this country would press claims against Germany for damages.

Germany, however, together with the other continental nations, has maintained the legality of conversion at sea. An attempt was made at the second Hague conference to reach an agreement on the subject, but the small-nation nations refused to accept the Anglo-American contention.

### MERCHANTMAN IS MADE RAIDER BY GERMANS AT SEA

ST. THEODORE NOW ON WARPATH RAISES POSSIBILITY OF NEW INTERNATIONAL TANGLE.

### BERLIN REPORTS YARROWDALE IS IN PORT WITH MANY PRISONERS

Prize Crew of 16 Men Take Ship With 469 Men Into Port—Three Armed British Merchantmen Taken By Teuton Raider.

BERLIN, via Amsterdam to London, Jan. 20.—The British steamer Yarrowdale was brought into harbor on December 31 as a prize by a crew of 16 men, says an official statement issued tonight.

She carried 469 prisoners, the crews of steamers captured by a German auxiliary cruiser in the Atlantic ocean. The prisoners on the Yarrowdale were from one Norwegian and seven British vessels. The cargoes of the captured vessels, the statement adds, consisted principally of war material for the entente allies and foodstuffs.

Three of the vessels sunk were armed British merchantmen.

### WILSON ASKED TO TRY 25-CENT-A-DAY DIET

PRESIDENT SAYS HE WILL FOLLOW SUGGESTION IF HIS WIFE CONSENTS.

### THOMPSON'S ATTEMPT TO BREAK JAIL FOILED

HILLSBORO, Or., Jan. 24.—An echo of the famous Ristman-Jennings murder case, in which Bennett Thompson was convicted of the double murder, was heard at the court house here a few days ago when Sheriff Applegate discovered a drill, made by Thompson and concealed in his cell in the county jail.

The drill was an ingenious piece of work, consisting of three pieces of wood studded and bound into a cross, into the end of which had been nailed a piece of a table fork cut, sharpened and tempered into the hardest steel. With this Thompson had already cut the heads off seven rivets and two more would have assured his passage into the main part of the jail from which an escape would have been easy for him.

The work had been successfully concealed by wads of bread crumbs covered with whitewash scraped from the walls of his cell. Thompson is now serving a life term in Salem.

Oregon, California & Eastern railway will receive \$300,000 bond issue from Klamath Falls besides \$75,000 in terminal grounds; Burns gives \$100,000, Lakeview \$20,000, Bend \$35,000, Prineville \$100,000, Bonanza will grade seven miles and land owners give 200 miles right-of-way.