



WILSON'S DOMINANT NOTE IS DEFENSE

Other Issues Do Not Overshadow Point.

INTERNAL PERIL POINTED OUT

Cheers Greet Denunciation of Plotters at Home.

PUNISHMENT IS DEMANDED

President's Address Longest He Has Yet Delivered to Congress.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—President Wilson in his annual address to Congress today, dealing mainly with National defense, proclaimed an advanced Pan-Americanism growing from the guardianship of the Monroe doctrine to the "full and honorable association" of all the Americas.

Although, in the longest address he has yet delivered to Congress, the President touches on a variety of subjects, the predominant note was the necessity of a policy of military preparedness to meet the readjustment of the next generation as they will affect the American Continent.

Defense Put Before All

He emphasized his point by saying: "Unless you take it within your view and permit the full significance of it to command your thought, I cannot find the right light in which to set forth the particular matter that lies at the very front of my whole thought as I address you today. I mean National defense."

The point was not overshadowed when the President, in the most unmeasured terms he ever has employed before Congress, denounced naturalized Americans who by their sympathies for the European belligerents have endangered American neutrality. While Congress observed his speech, he referred to them as having "poured the poison of disloyalty into the very arteries of our National life" and as those who would "turn in malign reaction against the Government and the people who had welcomed and nurtured them."

Deep Feeling Shown.

With evidences of deep feeling the President expressed "the even deeper humiliation and scorn which every self-possessed and thoughtful patriot American must feel when he thinks of them and of the discredit they are daily bringing upon us."

While the President's outline of the Administration plan for the Army and Navy passed without a ripple of applause and his references to Pan-Americanism were only punctuated with evidences of approval, Republicans and Democrats alike joined in an emphatic demonstration at his words of condemnation for those he assailed as unreservedly.

America Nations on Common Footing.

"All the governments of America," said he, "stand, so far as we are concerned, upon a footing of genuine equality and unquestioned independence. We retain unabated the spirit which was so frankly put into words by President Monroe. We still mean to make a common cause of national independence and political liberty in America, but that purpose is now better understood so far as it concerns ourselves."

Democracy Declared Peaceful.

Great democracies, the President said, are peaceful, not seeking war and without thought of conquest or dominion. "But just because we demand unimpaired development and the undisturbed government of our own lives upon our own principles of right and liberty," he declared, "we cannot, from whatever quarter it may come, the aggression we ourselves will not practice. We insist upon security in prosecuting our self-chosen lines of National development. We do more than that. We demand it also for others. From the first we have made common cause with all partisans of liberty on this side of the sea and have deemed it as important that our neighbors should be free from all outside domination as that we ourselves should be; have set America aside as a whole for the uses of independent nations and political freedom."

From that point the President emphasized the need of a National training for defense in harmony with American ideals and institutions and then referred briefly to the plans outlined for the Army and Navy, which he urged

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WAY IS PREPARED FOR PEACE TALK

GERMAN GOVERNMENT NOT OPPOSED TO REICHSTAG DEBATE.

Chancellor Said to Count on Vatican and White House, Among Others, to Aid His Programme.

PARIS, Dec. 7.—It would be a mistake to believe that a discussion of peace conditions in the Reichstag will be instituted against the will of the German government, according to trustworthy information from Germany, says the special correspondent of the Temps at Berne.

"It must not be forgotten," the correspondent writes, "that the interpellator is the Socialist member, Philipp Scheidemann, well known to be in harmony with the government and violently opposed to the small group of opposition Socialists, of which Dr. Karl Liebknecht is the leader.

"On his side Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg is satisfied to have an occasion to explain himself regarding conditions of peace, making it appear that he was being forced to the expression by the popular will. The government thus could not be reproached with having taken the initiative."

The Chancellor, the correspondent asserts, also believes that certain neutral influences, particularly the Vatican and the White House, will take notice of his programme and make efforts to have it accepted."

SHOPPERS Routed BY FIRE

Salesgirls Join in Panic When Department Store Burns.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 7.—Christmas shoppers and salesgirls fled in a panic today when a swiftly-spreading fire broke out in the basement of the four-story building which houses the Boston Store, owned by MacPherson & Edwards.

The entire stock, valued at \$150,000, was destroyed. The building loss will be approximately \$50,000. Several salesgirls escaped from the second floor by jumping from a fire escape. The flames spread to the restricted vice district, burning several houses.

TRENCHES BAD AS ROUNDUP

Dangers of Buccarooling Equalled in War, Says Pendletonian.

PENDLETON, Or., Dec. 7.—(Special.)—William Darby, a former Pendleton boy, now a soldier in the English army, has written to friends here from Kent, Darby, who was recently wounded in three places, has fully recovered from his wounds and is ready for the trench again.

He says that he is happy as can be and that every man faces death much as does a man getting on the famous Roundup bucking horse. Long Tom Darby intends to return to Pendleton if he is spared.

MRS. YOUNG QUILTS TODAY

Last Round of Chicago Schools Made by Superintendent.

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—Mrs. Elia Flagg Young, Superintendent of Chicago public schools, today made her last rounds as the head of the school system. After 52 years of active educational work in Chicago, Mrs. Young will sever her relationship with the school system tomorrow.

John D. Shoop, assistant Superintendent of Chicago public schools, is expected to be elected tomorrow to succeed Mrs. Young.

AUTHOR OF HYMNAL DIES

Rev. Frank Sewall, Writer, Author, Teacher, Passes at Washington.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Rev. Frank Sewall, writer, educator, teacher, for 16 years professor at Urbana University in Ohio, author of the Christian hymnal, died at his home here today in his 79th year.

For 25 years he had been pastor of the church of the New Jerusalem in this city. Dr. Sewall's brother, Arthur Sewall, was William J. Bryan's running mate for the Presidency in 1896.

14 WOMEN DIE AS SPIES

Villa Said to Have Caused Wholesale Execution.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 7.—Fourteen Mexican women were executed Sunday, December 5, at Casas Grandes by the Villa military authorities on charges of having been spies for the Carranza government, according to advices received at the Carranza consulate here tonight.

The women, it is said, were stood up against an adobe wall in one line and shot by a long firing squad.

ENTRY TO WAR ZONE ASKED

Appeal From Peace Ship Sent to Secretary of State.

ON BOARD STEAMSHIP OSCAR II, by wireless, via Cape Race, Dec. 7.—Governor Hanna, of North Dakota, sent a wireless message to Secretary of State Lansing.

Mr. Hanna urges the Secretary to provide members of the Ford peace party with passports which will enable them to visit belligerent countries.

DEMOCRATS WILL MEET IN ST. LOUIS

City Is Chosen on the Second Ballot.

13TH IS AVOIDED AS DATE

Meeting Called for Wednesday, June 14.

SHORT SESSION EXPECTED

Political Leaders Believe It Certain That Republican Committee Next Tuesday Will Make Chicago Convention City.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The Democratic National convention of 1916 will be held at St. Louis, beginning Wednesday, June 14, at noon. The Democratic National committee tonight named the convention city and adopted resolutions calling for the renomination and re-election of Woodrow Wilson as "the trusted leader of National Democracy."

Chicago and Dallas contested with St. Louis for the honor of the convention, but St. Louis easily led from the start and won on the second ballot. When the trend of the voting was seen Texas moved that the choice of St. Louis be made unanimous. Dallas held second place on the first ballot, but was displaced by Chicago on the second rollcall.

St. Louis Increases Vote.

The result of the first ballot was: St. Louis 25, Dallas 14, Chicago 15. On the second ballot the vote was: St. Louis 27, Chicago 15, and Dallas 8. The majority for St. Louis was gained on this ballot, when John T. McGraw arose near the end of the roll and changed West Virginia's vote from Chicago to the Missouri city. Then the choice was made unanimous.

It has been customary heretofore for National conventions to begin work on Tuesday. The fact that Tuesday fell on the 13th next year may or may not have had something to do with the determination of the committee to begin the proceedings a day later.

CANDIDATE BEATEN, HURT

City Marshal Loses Job by Seven Votes and Has Leg Broken.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 7.—(Special.)—To be defeated for a city office and break his leg in two places the same night was the experience of J. N. Weddie, who has served as City Marshal of Seio for the past few years. In the city election yesterday he was defeated by seven votes.

Within an hour after the returns had been compiled Weddie fell from a sidewalk while taking an intoxicated man home.

REPUBLICANS WIN BAY STATE TOWNS

SUCCESS FOLLOWS WHEREVER PARTY LINES ARE DRAWN.

Democratic Mayors Turned Out of Waltham and Marlboro—One Dry City in Wet Column.

BOSTON, Dec. 7.—Republicans were successful where National party lines were drawn in the elections in 14 Massachusetts cities today. In Marlboro and Waltham Democratic Mayors were defeated for re-election by Republican opponents. Republicans won in Brockton, Northampton, Pittsfield and Quincy.

In Fall River, Springfield and Haverhill no Mayors were elected, but the Republicans secured a majority in the city government in the two former cities. Haverhill has a nonpartisan government.

There was one overturn on the license question, Northampton shifting from no license to license, making 11 cities in the "wet" column.

3 EMERGE FROM NORTH

Government School Teacher Will Remain at Bethel for Winter.

SEWARD, Alaska, Dec. 7.—Captain Louis Knaflich and Engineers Lester and Fitzpatrick, of the power schooner Bender Brothers, which was frozen in at the mouth of the Kuskokwim River when navigation in Bering Sea closed early last month, arrived here today, having traveled 1000 miles over the snow trails from Bethel via Iditarod.

Captain Knaflich reported that Mrs. E. P. Frohock, with her two babies and the rest of the Bender Brothers' crew, remained at Bethel for the winter. Mrs. Frohock is a Government school teacher. She will remain alone with her babies in the North until the reopening of navigation.

LITERACY TEST REVIVED

Senator Dillingham Would Apply Restriction Only to Males.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Senator Dillingham, of Vermont, chairman of the former immigration commission, introduced a bill today providing that male aliens over 16 years old who cannot read should be excluded from the United States.

The bill also limits the admission in a year of a nationality to 10 per cent of the residents of that nationality. Unlike the bills vetoed by Presidents Cleveland, Taft and Wilson, the Dillingham bill proposes that the literacy test shall apply only to males.

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GENERAL REASONS GIVEN BY LANSING

Germany Told Why Attaches Must Go.

ACTIVITIES ARE NOT APPROVED

Secretary Does Not Specify or Discuss Facts.

RECALLS ARE EXPECTED

Washington Still in Dark as to Attitude of Berlin, but Its Attitude Is Said to Have Satisfied Von Bernstorff.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Secretary Lansing has communicated to Germany through Count von Bernstorff, the German Ambassador, the reasons which caused the United States Government to request the immediate withdrawal of Captain Karl Boy-ed and Captain Franz Pape, respectively, naval and military attaches of the embassy here.

In the communication, which is believed to have reached the Berlin Foreign Office today, Mr. Lansing is understood to have said that naval and military activities of the attaches constituted their principal offenses. It is said that there was no discussion of facts relating to the reasons for the State Department's request, nor any disclosure of the department's sources of information.

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GERLINGER BLOCK DAMAGED BY FIRE

BURGLAR ALARM GIVES WARNING TO FIREMEN.

Loss Is Confined to First Floor and Is Estimated at \$5000—Flames for Time Hold Control.

Fire started in the basement of a sewing machine agency in the Gerlinger building, at Second and Alder streets, at 12:06 o'clock this morning and did about \$5000 damage to the building and its contents. Defective wiring is believed to have been the cause.

The fire started a burglar alarm in Roy & Molin's jewelry store. Soon a sheet of fire was shooting up the elevator shaft, filling the whole building with smoke and giving the impression that the fire ran through the whole structure. A crowd of several hundred persons gathered in the street to watch the firemen.

Practically all the downtown apparatus was called out. The chief leaders were: Louis Gerlinger, owner of the building; E. J. Scheffer, owner of the Alder-street pharmacy; Brown Bros., tailors, and the White Sewing machine agency. All were located on the first floor of the building. All the offices in the building were filled with smoke.

TOOZE GOES ON PEACE SHIP

Oregon Man Overcomes Difficulties With Aid of Mr. Hawley.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 7.—Timely aid given him tonight by Representative Hawley will enable Lamar Tooze, of Salem, Or., to sail for Europe tomorrow on the second Ford steamer.

Tooze reached Washington at 4 o'clock, having telegraphed in advance for a passport. He had no credentials nor papers of identification. Mr. Hawley went with him to the State Department, but found it necessary to get the Foreign Secretary in New York by long distance telephone to establish the fact he was one of the invited persons.

HELP REACHES MINNESOTA

Disabled Steamer Taken in Tow by Rescue Vessels.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 7.—The wrecking steamer Inagua and the tug Dauntless, sent from here last Friday to the assistance of the Minnesota, reached the disabled steamer at 8 o'clock this morning and took her in tow, according to a radio message from the Inagua received here by C. W. Wiley, marine superintendent of the Great Northern Steamship Company.

The message, Wiley said, came from the Inagua, and, although he expected word from Captain Gurlick, of the Minnesota, had heard nothing from him at a late hour tonight.

ROBBER LOCKS CASHIER UP

About \$1500 Taken From Bank at Manitou, Colo.

MANITOU, Colo., Dec. 7.—A lone robber today entered the Bank of Manitou, locked J. F. Campbell, the cashier, in the vault and escaped with cash estimated at \$1500.

Campbell, who was alone when the robber entered, escaped from the vault by use of a secret interior lock and gave the alarm.

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JURY DISAGREES IN BOOTH MURDER CASE

Four Men Hold Out 28 Hours for Acquittal.

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Last Ballots Reported to Show Eight for Manslaughter.

RETRIAL FACED IN SPRING

District Attorney Closes Argument With Strong Arraignment of Man and Woman Charged With Willamina Crime.

McMINNVILLE, Or., Dec. 7.—(Special.)—Young William Branson and Mrs. Anna Booth must again stand trial for the murder of the woman's husband, William Booth, near the town of Willamina October 8.

After being out just 28 hours the jury in the Booth murder case was discharged by Circuit Judge Belt at 8:30 o'clock tonight, after it had reported that it could not agree.

It is understood that on the first few ballots the jury stood six for conviction of both defendants for murder in the second degree and six for acquittal. Later, those favoring conviction switched to manslaughter and were joined by two who had previously favored acquittal. The vote is said to have stood eight for a verdict of manslaughter and four for acquittal from then until the jurors decided that agreement was impossible.

Another Report Varies.

Another report had it that the final ballot was ten for conviction and two for acquittal.

After it became apparent that the opinions of all the jurors were absolutely fixed, Judge Belt reported that there was no hope of agreement and were discharged. Branson, a youth of 22, and Mrs. Booth, who is 32, were on trial jointly for the murder of Mrs. Booth's husband, William Booth.

Booth's dead body was found late in the afternoon of October 8 at the edge of a thicket on the road from Willamina leading to the home of Mrs. Booth's parents, some two miles from town.

Trio's Movements Related.

Witnesses for the state testified to having seen Mrs. Booth pass along this road, and this side of the thicket, about 1 o'clock. They also testified to having seen Branson pass shortly after on his bicycle and to having seen Booth pass in the direction of the thicket not long afterward.

The state's witnesses agreed that a shot was heard about 15 minutes later. Some witnesses testified to having seen Branson ride back down the road on the bicycle. Others, living beyond the thicket, swore Mrs. Booth had appeared there some time after the shot.

Evidence was also introduced to show that Booth had suspected his wife and Branson of improper relations. The defense sought to prove an alibi for Branson by showing that he was in Willamina at the time. It was admitted that Mrs. Booth passed out the road, but she and her parents testified that she had fainted at the time of the murder, as fixed by the prosecution's witnesses.

Closing Argument Masterly.

The closing argument of District Attorney R. L. Conner just before the jury retired at 4:29 o'clock yesterday afternoon evidently made a deep impression on the jury, as well as on the packed courtroom that heard it. His argument, conceded a mastery summing up of the prosecution's case, was also tinged with wrath at accusations of attorneys for the defense that he had coached witnesses.

Mr. Conner replied with great spirit to these charges. He said he would leave it to the jury, many members of which had known him for years, whether such aspersions on his integrity and fairness as a prosecutor could have any foundation in fact. The attacks on him, he went on to declare, were made by counsel for the defense in an effort to bolster up their case by diverting attention from the evidence to the District Attorney.

He ridiculed the alibi presented by the defense in behalf of Branson. He laid especial stress on the fact that of the witnesses swearing to this alibi, two were uncles and one a cousin of the young man. Comparing these witnesses with those of the prosecution, he said: "I want to ask if you, as reasonable thinking men, can believe that Mr. Nelson and Mrs. Eggen did not tell the truth when they testified so positively that Branson passed them on his bicycle."

Defense Contented Attacked.

Of the time the murder is supposed to have been committed, which the defense had declared that, from Mrs. Eggen's testimony at the coroner's inquest to the effect that Mr. Booth passed her home an hour after Mrs. Booth and Branson, must have occurred between 2 and 3 o'clock, instead of at 1:30, as fixed by the prosecution, he said:

"The exact time is not material in this case so far as the particular moment when Mr. Booth was murdered is concerned. But it is material in relation to other circumstances, such

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