

PRESIDENT ASK FOR WIDER POWERS

Possibility of Sudden Emergency Leads to Need for Protecting Americans.

OVERT ACT EVER FEARED

Mr. Wilson May Request Broad Resolution, Empowering Him to Act Short of War—Situation With Germany's Allies Better.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—The advisability of getting across before the end of the present session March 4 to make certain that he be clothed with sufficient power to protect American lives and property from German submarine activities was discussed by President Wilson today with members of the Senate whom he called into conference during a brief visit to the Capitol.

Afterwards it was indicated that the President had not made up his mind on the question but would take under consideration because of the possibility that after adjournment some sudden emergency might arise necessitating action before Congress could be called together again.

Further Power May Be Given.

The suggestion was made that Congress might be asked to pass a broad resolution authorizing the President to take any necessary measures for the protection of American rights and avoiding emergency measures as to how the protection should be afforded. It was indicated that Mr. Wilson remained as anxious as ever to avoid war and that he gave no suggestion that a declaration of war, which Congress alone can make, is even considered by him at present in connection with the possibility of a request for additional authority.

The general feeling here had been that Germany's submarine campaign sooner or later will lead inevitably to such a violation of American rights as will require the further action forecast by the President in his address to Congress two weeks ago. The President is understood to feel, however, that when the time comes he will not be followed out literally, and the steps taken should constitute an extension of further protection to American interests rather than a declaration of war.

Submarine Issue Is Uppermost.

Officials were much gratified at a message from Berné today saying the American Consuls remained in Germany, for whom some concern had been felt, would depart early next week, but there was no evidence that the development would lessen to an appreciable degree the tension between the two countries. It has been pointed out that the overshadowing issue in the German submarine campaign and that any other controversy must be considered as of minor consequence.

There also was much gratification here over a report from Ambassador Elkus at Constantinople saying that Turkey was arranging to facilitate the departure of the American Consuls and to allow the American Consuls to remain in Constantinople. Officials regarded the news as an indication that the Ottoman government was not inclined to break with the United States if it could be avoided. There were no developments during the day in the situation with Austria, but officials here now are hopeful that the break with Germany will not be extended to any of her allies.

Holding of Vessels Serious.

President Wilson's visit to the Capitol is understood to have been primarily for the purpose of discussing with the legislative program and to urge passage of American Administration bills during the remaining two weeks of the session. With that in mind, the President did not talk of the foreign situation and the impression gained among some of them that he did not consider the emergency any more immediate than he did several days ago. It is known, on the other hand, that the continued holding of many vessels in port has come to be looked upon here as a condition for which some remedy must be found.

If the President decides to go before Congress again before the end of the present session he is expected to point to this condition as one of the reasons why the Senate Finance Committee, which was one of the Senators who talked with the President today and as a result of which action in case Congressional action is found advisable a provision for emergency expenditures will be made.

Training Discussion Probable.

Just before going to the Capitol the President paid a brief visit to Secretary Baker at the War Department, and while it was thought possible they discussed universal military training, the Secretary would make no statement. The report from Berné regarding the departure of the American Consuls in Germany said they probably would leave for Switzerland Tuesday. The exact date for the departure had not been set, the message said, but Consuls coming from that direction have been ordered to proceed from Munich. It is expected that a large number of Americans left in Germany will leave with the Consuls. State Department officials characterized as very friendly the communication from Constantinople concerning the departure of the American Consuls.

CUT THIS OUT OLD ENGLISH RECIP FOR CATARRH, CATARRHAL DEAFNESS AND NOISES.

If you know someone who is troubled with head noises, or Catarrhal Deafness, cut out this formula and hand it to them and you may have been the means of saving some poor sufferer perhaps from total deafness. We believe that Catarrhal Deafness, head noises, etc. are caused by constitutional disease, and that salves, sprays, inhalers, etc. merely temporize with the complaint and seldom, if ever, effect a permanent cure. This being so, much time has been spent in facting a pure, gentle, yet effective tonic that should quickly dispel all traces of the catarrhal poison from the system. The effective prescription which was forwarded to you is set below in an understandable form so that anyone can use it in their own home at little expense. Secure from your druggist 1 oz. Parmentin (Double Strength) Dose: Take this home and add to it 1/2 pint of hot water and 4 oz. of granulated sugar. Stir well and take one tablespoonful four times a day. The first dose should begin to relieve the distressing head noises, headache, dizziness, cloudy thinking, etc., while the healing salve quickly penetrates the system and is navigated by the tonic action of the treatment. Loss of smell and mucus dropping in the back of the throat are other symptoms that show the presence of catarrhal poison, and which are often overcome by this efficacious treatment. If nearly 90 per cent of ear troubles are directly caused by catarrh, there must be many people whose hearing may be restored by this simple home treatment. Every person who is troubled with head noises, catarrhal deafness, or catarrh in any form, should give this prescription a trial.—Adv.

BRITISH ADVANCE ON ANCRE AND TIGRIS

Important Gains Made on Both Sides of River on the French Front.

1000-YARD DEPTH IS WON

Mile-and-Half and 1000-Yard Fronts Pushed Forward—Much War Material Captured From Forces of Turkey.

LONDON, Feb. 17.—British troops today captured German positions on a front of about one and one-half miles, penetrating the German defenses to a distance of about 1000 yards and coming within close range of Petit Miramont, which lies to the northeast of Grandcourt, on the Ancre front in France.

Another important German position also was carried along a front of about 1000 yards, according to the official report from headquarters tonight.

Several important gains against the Turks in Mesopotamia are recounted in the official report made public tonight. In addition to forcing the Turks back on the Tigris river, the British captured 1995 prisoners.

CONSULS MAY BE DELAYED

Berlin Said to Have Failed to Arrange Special Train.

LONDON, Feb. 17.—The United States Consuls who are still in Germany may be unable to leave the country for some weeks, according to an Amsterdam dispatch to the Times, quoting an American who has arrived there from Germany.

SIX STEAMSHIPS SAIL

BIG LINER NOORDAM DEPARTS FROM NEW YORK.

None of Vessels Conveying Passengers, So Far As Can Be Learned; Britisher Turns Back.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—Six steamships sailed from here for European ports today, including the big Holland-American liner Noordam. None of the vessels, so far as could be learned, carried passengers. The British steamer Verdi started for Liverpool, but turned back and anchored off quarantine after proceeding as far as Sandy Hook. No explanation was forthcoming as to the reason for the Verdi's return.

Besides the Noordam the vessels that put to sea today with freight cargoes were the British steamer Roman Prince, the Dutch steamer Decker, the Spanish steamers Mar Negro and Mourou, and the Swedish steamer Pelesborg.

It was announced that the Noordam, bound for Rotterdam, would put into Halifax instead of Kirkwall for examination by the British authorities, but whether any of the other vessels would follow the same course could not be ascertained.

\$39,000,000 BILL URGED

SENATOR FLETCHER MAKES PLEA FOR HARBOR MEASURE.

Failure of Original Measure to Pass Would Be National Calamity, Says Commerce Committee Chairman.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Asserting that it will be a national calamity if the pending \$39,000,000 rivers and harbors bill fails of passage, Senator Fletcher, chairman of the commerce committee, issued a statement today, attacking the plan of Senator Kenyon and others to substitute a lump appropriation of \$25,000,000, to be expended in discretion of the Secretary of War and Army engineers.

Senator Fletcher said adoption of the substitute would mean that now, when our rivers are sorely in need of improvement, the carrying power of our railroads and when inland waterways are being developed, the country would be left with a highly useful functions as defense of the coast would call for, we are to abandon this work under a policy of the Government which has been proceeding for half a century.

SUFFRAGE GIVEN ISLAND

PORTO RICO CITIZENSHIP BILL LETS WOMEN VOTE.

Citizens Described as All Over 21 Years Who Vote at First Election or Who Thereafter Qualify.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—

In the opinion of many Senators an amendment to the Porto Rican citizenship bill, tentatively agreed to by the Senate today would give women of the island who become citizens of the United States the right to vote. As accepted, the provision would define qualified voters in the island as citizens of the United States 21 years of age or more who exercise the right of suffrage at the first election, or who can qualify thereafter by demonstrating they are able to read and write Spanish or English.

There is no reference to sex and during the discussion woman suffrage possibilities were not mentioned. Senators Phillips, Norris and others who aided in perfecting the amendment said afterward, however, that it would give women who otherwise qualify the right to vote.

GIRLS GONE; SALOONS TO GO

Forty to Close in San Francisco Red Light Districts.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 17.—(Special.)—The sympathetic connection between the vicious resort and the saloon in the fabric of the underworld was plainly manifested today in the drinking places which formerly catered to the women of the red light districts. Approximately 40 saloons of the Barbary Coast section, their revenues cut off, are preparing to go out of business, according to police information. Heretofore the number of visitors to the alleys has averaged about 3000 a night. The saloons stimulated business in the red light resorts and the resorts reciprocated for the saloons. The vice partnership was severed by the police action of February 14, and with one twin of evil dead the other is now succumbing.

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BENTON GROWERS UNITE

Potato Raisers Form Organization and Elect Officers.

MONROE, Or., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—The potato growers of Benton County

held a meeting at Irish Bend this week. Professor Larson, of the Oregon Agricultural College, a specialist in potatoes for the extension department, was a speaker.

E. C. Morrison, of Springfield, a prominent potato grower and shipper, was also present, and gave much advice. He stated that parties are offering \$25 an acre rent for good potato land this season, and that companies in California are offering to contract for all the White Rose seed potatoes raised in this valley.

The Benton County Potato Growers' Association was organized with the following officers: President, Bird Rickard; Vice-president, Grant Elgin; Secretary, Percy Finley; Treasurer, Henry Hinton.

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GIRL GUARDS WANTED

Recruiting Stations to Open in Business District.

1000 NEEDED IN OREGON Government Will Establish Training Camp This Summer if Number Enlists; Misses Ladd and Benton III and Resign.

Downtown recruiting stations will be established for the Girls Honor Guard of Portland, and their social service work widened in scope, it was announced at a called meeting of the organization yesterday at Library Hall, when the resignations of Miss Helen Ladd as state manager and Miss Ruth Benton as vice-state manager were announced. The two officers have been incapacitated for active work by recent illness and the burden of the coming recruiting campaign would be too strenuous.

If the Portland Girls' Honor Guard is recruited up to 1000 members, which will include girls from other cities in Oregon, a training camp will be established for them this summer similar to the civilians' training camp maintained for men.

The resignations of Miss Ladd and Miss Benton were tendered verbally and it is not known who will fill the vacated offices, since the appointments must come from Miss Theodora Booth, National President. The work has been during the past few months by the other girls, Miss Lucile Danforth having acted as temporary chairman at yesterday's and former meetings.

Downtown recruiting stations will be established as soon as arrangements can be made. The stations will be in prominent places, and the appointment camp requirement that the girls are working industriously for more members.

The social service work of the organization has been placed under the direction of Mrs. J. George Keller. She will have charge of the girls who will attend those people whom the Visiting Nurses find in need of attention.

Once every month the girls will have song service at the Open-Air Sanatorium. Another new feature will be a course in Red Cross hygiene and first aid by Dr. Eric Green, of the Union Pacific Company.

The next meeting of the Girls' National Honor Guard will be a rally at the Library March 3.

FACTORY SAMPLE SHOP

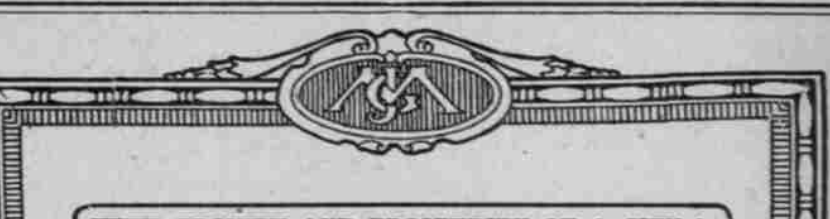
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