

ROUMANIA PREPARING TO PLUNGE INTO FRAY WITH ALLIES, REPORT

Its Latest Mobilization Order Will Bring Army to Nine-tenths Strength.

INDICATIONS BACK RUMOR

Several Elements Told to Hasten Move That Will Add Strength of Country to Side of Allies.

By Henry Wood.
Rome, Feb. 5.—(U. P.)—Roumania, hitherto aloof from the struggle in the Balkans, is reported in private advice today to be ready to plunge into the fray on the side of the allies.

Her army, under a decree issued Thursday, calling the class of 1896 to the colors in advance, will bring her mobilization up to nine-tenths of full war strength. More than a half million sturdy Roumanians are massed on the Bulgarian and Hungarian frontiers.

Roumanian Frontier Closed.
Already Bulgaria has closed the Roumanian frontier, except at the cities of Orsova and Fehervar, as she mistrusts the intentions of her neighbor Roumania. In this connection it is pointed out that no Roumanians are concentrated on the Russian frontier, lending color to the reports that Roumania will link her cause with that of Russia and the entente.

Heavy artillery from Roumanian Black sea ports is being rushed to the Hungarian frontier, while at the same time the Roumanians are fortifying the Bulgar border, expecting that the Bulgarians will drive against it, if Roumania attacks Hungary.

Several Reasons Given.
Several elements have tended to hasten Roumanian participation on the side of the allies. First, concentration of Russians in Galicia and Bukovina, and the fact that the power of the Slav offensive in Bessarabia has partly offset the Russian retreat in May. And this has convinced the Roumanians that the Slavs are by no means "down and out."

Second, the arrival of Anglo-French reinforcements at Saloniki has convinced the Roumanians that an allied offensive would cripple the Bulgars should they attempt to invade Roumania while the main Roumanian army was engaged against Hungary.

Grain Sale an Influence.

Third, the closing of the Roumanian border by Bulgaria and the closing of the northern and western frontier by Russia on account of troop movements has practically cut off Roumania from the world, making it imperative that she take sides for economic reasons.

Fourth, England's purchase of \$50,000,000 of Roumanian grain for \$20,000,000 in gold, won the support of Roumanian grain growers because it convinced them of the financial strength of the allies.

Roumania to Float Big Loan.

Rome, Feb. 5.—(U. P.)—Roumania has announced her intention of floating a \$40,000,000 foreign loan immediately. The Roumanian press said that this was for war purposes.

Nurse Overwhelmed By Chain Letters

Two Young Women Appeal to People to Contribute Money for Anaesthetics, and Answer by Mailed Cane.

New York, Feb. 5.—(U. P.)—To be overwhelmed by the success of an endless chain letter is the experience of three women of this city who are now undergoing. Every mail brings bushels of letters, and these letters often contain money, too, but just the same the women are swamped, bewildered, worried and are trying to dam the flood they have loosed.

Wishing to raise a little money for the wounded soldiers of the allies, Miss S. V. Clark, a nurse, and Miss Winifred Lipscombe composed the following letter and sent it to a few acquaintances:

NO. 1.
Owing to the scarcity of anaesthetics, operations which give untold agony are performed daily without their aid.

To mitigate the suffering, we make an appeal to every one to give 25 cents toward the purchase of morphine to use in the "hospitals of the allies."

Please make four copies of this letter and send them to your friends using the next highest number than this on the letter. Do not fail.

Will be broken. Send 25 cents to Miss Elizabeth Whitman, Eye and Ear Hospital, Thirteenth and Second Avenue, New York City, New York.

Soon an avalanche struck Miss Whitman, who is the head nurse of the Eye and Ear hospital. She is a busy woman anyway and the work of keeping a correct account of receipts was backbreaking. The hospital began to object. The United States postoffice authorities, the New York City police, and several other organizations became alarmed, and investigated carefully. All found everything regular and beyond cavil.

Miss Whitman has now received \$5000, mostly in 25 cent contributions. She has apportioned this among the British War Relief, the Red Cross, the Junior War Relief, the Needlework

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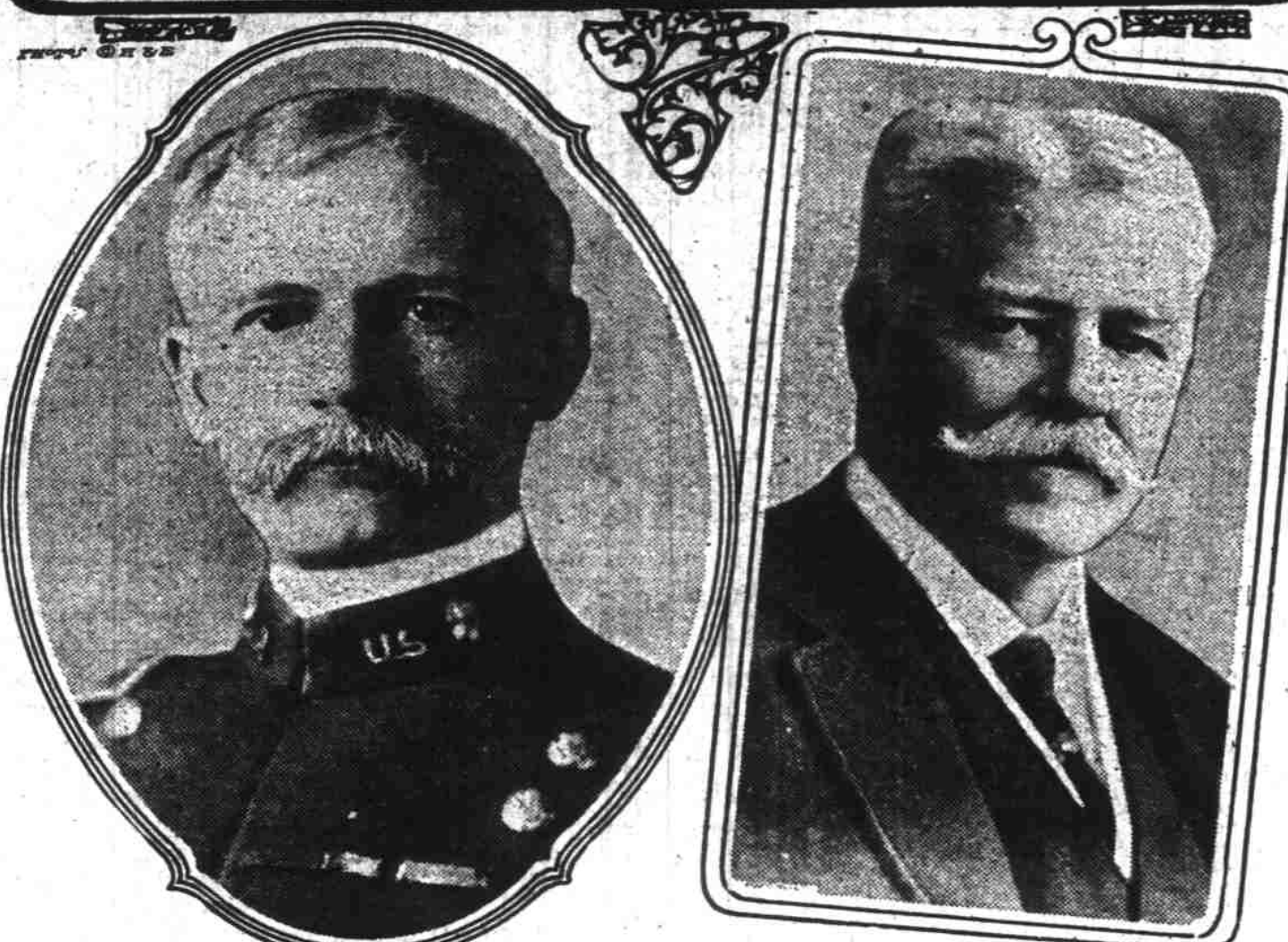
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CONCERNED WITH PREPAREDNESS PLANS



Above—With a view to studying the question of commercial preparedness, the chamber of commerce of the United States has appointed a committee on national defense. From left to right, first row: Franklin T. Miller of New York City, Captain Matthew E. Hanna, New York City; Ira N. Hollis, president Worcester Polytechnical Institute; D. S. Chamberlain, Des Moines, Iowa. Second row: Bascom Little, president Cleveland chamber of commerce; General Albert J. Logan, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Henry C. Emery, Providence, R. I.; Louis T. Golding, St. Louis, Mo.

Below, left to right—General William Crozier, chief of ordnance of the United States army, who, in his testimony before the house committee on military affairs recently, dealt a hard blow to the plan of many congressmen for exclusive government manufacture of munitions. General Crozier says that to build factories that could supply the arms needed under the new army plan would cost the United States \$50,000,000 and for the amount now used by England \$400,000,000; Representative Walter I. Sweeney, newly elected from Rhode Island, who has introduced a bill providing for a \$5,000,000 naval laboratory to fill the need pointed out by the Edison advisory board.

Frozen Feet Are No Handicap to Doughty Lineman

A little thing like frozen toes doesn't worry E. E. Williams, a lineman for the Postal Telegraph company. That was evidenced by his actions in being back at work in the snow storm today. Williams with others was working north of Linton Thursday night, making repairs to the Postal Telegraph lines. He had his feet frozen about five years ago and felt the same sensation Thursday night. He told his fellow workers about it and then tramped to Linton through the snow drifts, a distance of about two miles. He got a sled from Linton to Portland and visited a doctor.

Williams then returned to work yesterday afternoon and today is out near Clackamas making repairs to damaged lines.

Guil, and the British-American War Relief.

It is thought about 50,000 letters have already been sent in the chain, but nobody can tell accurately. Some relief society may fill the head nurse out with an office and secretaries to handle her correspondence.

Will Meet at Gresham.

Teachers and advanced students will meet at the Gresham high school on Saturday, February 26, for an all day educational meeting called by County Superintendent of Schools A. P. Armstrong.

Stops nasty discharge or nose running.

relieves sick headache, dizziness, feverishness, sore throat, sneezing, soreness and stiffness.

Don't stay stuffed-up! Quit blowing and snuffling! Ease your throbbing head! Nothing else in the world gives such prompt relief as "Pape's Cold Compound," which costs only 25 cents at any drug store. It acts without assistance, tastes nice, causes no inconvenience. Be sure you get the genuine. Don't accept something else just as good. Insist on getting "Pape's Cold Compound" if you want to stop your cold quickly. (Adv.)

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GERMANY IS AVERSE TO DIPLOMATIC BREAK WITH UNITED STATES

Special Cable Says Public Opinion Declares America Should Be Satisfied.

Chicago, Feb. 5.—(U. P.)—The Tribune prints the following special cable:

"Berlin, Feb. 4.—Unquestionably there is deep solicitude in Germany concerning the status of the Lusitania negotiations." The question asked of the American people by the best informed Germans is:

"Are you quite sure you understand our position? To our offer of material reparation you wish us to add the declaration that our submarine warfare is illegal. But declaring this would simply mean that we surrender to the allies' policy of arming merchantmen and using neutral flags. This is no fanciful peril for Germany, because only a few days ago a merchantman flying a neutral flag fired on a submarine which only escaped by a swift dive."

Germany decidedly is averse to diplomatic rupture with the United States, and feels that her acknowledgment of the justice of the Americans' claim for material damages places the other points at issue in the academic realm.

"In Germany public opinion declares that American honor and dignity have been satisfied, and that the remaining academic questions should be considered by all the powers after the war."

"Germany's present position is by no means arrogant, but she declines to concede the points relative to the legality of the submarine warfare."

Above all, Germany asks the American people to consider that whatever concessions on the submarine America might obtain at this juncture from Germany, they would establish precedents which America herself would be compelled to follow in the future by reason of her acceptance of these concessions."

British Smokers Are Hit Hard by the War

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COURTMARTIAL OVER CODE BOOK'S LOSS IS TO BEGIN THIS WEEK

Facts About Loss of Naval Secret Will Be Revealed for the First Time.

BOOK BELIEVED STOLEN

Theory Book Might Have Been Lost Overboard Dropped; Sale to Foreign Power Is Possible.

Maré Island, Cal., Feb. 5.—(P. N. S.)—When the courtmartial of Lieutenant Herbert A. Jones, U. S. N., charged technically with the loss of a secret code book, meets here aboard the battleship Oregon next week, facts relating to the loss of this valuable naval secret will be revealed for the first time.

For nearly a year the navy has been searching secretly for the lost book, it was learned at Maré Island today. A secret naval board investigated the circumstances surrounding the loss and practically all doubt was dispelled that the book was stolen and not merely lost. Since the courtmartial's arrest of Lieutenant Jones, facts have been coming to the surface little by little.

Lost Discovered at Sea.
The loss of the book occurred while the torpedo boat destroyer Hull, commanded by Lieutenant Jones, was at sea. Ensign Robert D. Kirkpatrick,

executive officer of the Hull at that time, took the code book from a safe to read a signal, laid the book down on a table, neglecting to lock it up again immediately, and turned away for a short time. When he returned to look for the book it was gone. Kirkpatrick offered to shoulder the whole blame for the loss of the book, which was refused by the department, which held the commanding officer responsible.

Theo. Theories Advanced.
It became known today that the department holds only two theories regarding the loss of the book. One of these is that advanced by the friends of Lieutenant Jones, that the book must have fallen overboard, and can, therefore, not be recovered, and the other, that some member of the Hull's crew, probably a messboy or steward, took the book with the idea of selling it to some foreign government. It is the latter possibility, it is believed, which finally brought about the courtmartial, as the former theory of the book having fallen into the sea is believed to be absurd.

Wedding Was Society Event.
Los Angeles, Feb. 5.—(P. N. S.)—Lieutenant H. A. Jones, U. S. N., against whom a courtmartial is to be held at Maré Island next week for the alleged loss of a secret code book, is the husband of a former Los Angeles society girl, the daughter of Mrs. E. W. Sargent. Lieutenant Jones' marriage to Miss Ethlyn Sargent in January, 1914, was one of the social events of the year.

Bound Over to Grand Jury.
Forging of aliases on his own name to checks for various small amounts, is the charge against Howard Penner, who was bound over to the grand jury by Municipal Judge Langguth yesterday. Penner was arrested Friday at the Vernon hotel by Detective Mallett and Price. Two of the checks were passed at Astoria by a woman who gave the name of Elsie Penner. She is now at San Francisco, and the police are searching for her.

SCOPE OF CAMPAIGN OF GERMAN RAIDERS WIDE IS INFORMATION

High Speed, Heavily Armed Ships Are Said to Be Operating on Seas.

COLLIER SALE INTERESTS

Attempts on Pacific Coast to Secure Ships for Immediate Use Is Looked Upon as Being Corroborative.

Chicago, Feb. 5.—(U. P.)—The Tribune prints the following: "Washington, Feb. 4.—The German commerce raiding campaign, introduced to the world in the spectacular achievements of the mysterious cruiser Moewe off the African coast, is of far greater scope than is generally suspected, and is being carried out by raiders of high speed and heavy armament, according to information in the hands of administration officials."

"Already British prisoners released from the steamer Appam have told of the suspected presence of the German cruiser Roer in the vicinity of the engagement between the Moewe and the Clan MacTavish. There is good reason to believe that a German warship which was in Asiatic waters at the start of the war, and which has not been accounted for satisfactorily since that time, is engaged in these raids. "But most interesting of all to officials here is the development of evidence on the Pacific coast of attempts of provision and shiphanding firms to obtain immediate possession of vessels for carrying provisions into the Pacific."

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"There is apparently no limit of expenditure set for these firms in their efforts to get these ships. In one case the firm of John Rothchild & Co., listed by Dun & Co. this year at a rating of from \$75,000 to \$125,000, produced \$115,000 worth of certified checks and bonds for the purchase of an old navy collier for which the United States government paid \$145,000 18 years ago."

Company Had Big Resources.
"After having placed a formal bid with the navy department of \$115,000 for this ship, or \$31,000 more than the government paid for it 18 years ago, this San Francisco firm offered to raise its bid to the vicinity of \$100,000, and upon immediate notice proved its resources to handle the deal on a cash basis."

"It also appears that a concern which was involved in the shipment of provisions to the German fleet of Admiral von Spee off the South American coast is again interested in the prompt purchase of a merchant ship for some mysterious mission."

Expected in Pacific Waters.
"Basing their opinions on experience in the past, administration officials have come to the conclusion that the presence of German commerce raiders is soon to be expected in Pacific waters."

"The bids for the collier which John Rothchild & Co. were attempting to purchase have been rejected by the navy department, and new bids invited. Meanwhile the collier remains in the hands of the government."

"Agents of the allies have traced the intended destination of cargoes to be placed on provision ships on the Pacific coast to Guam and other far eastern points, and this fact has not been to the belief that the German merchant ships held in the Philippine islands contemplate a dash for the open sea."

We have consistently featured high-grade pictures, but this is the strongest combination shown yet.—E. J. Myrick, Manager.

The Price of Power

FEA URING THE STAR OF "BEN HUR"

Clarin Johnson

—AND THE BIG LAUGH—

MALE NORMAND AND FATTY ARBUCKLE

IN A BRAND NEW ONE- NOTHING BUT NONSENSE - AND 2000 FEET OF IT.

ME DID AND HE DIDN'T

COLUMBIA

The Theatre Beautiful, Sixth at Washington