

WAR SCARE ALARMS GERMANY

BRITAIN WILL KEEP LEAD IN NAVAL POWER

Rumors of Strife Follow Speech of Lord Churchill Declaring That Germany Must Be Content to Be Subordinate Upon the Seas to England.

English Fleet to Be Kept Sixty Per Cent Stronger Than Kaiser's — Kaiser Postpones Visit.

LONDON, March 19.—Rumors of war with Germany within six months are rife in London today following the declaration of Winston Spencer Churchill, first lord of admiralty, in presenting the rival budget in the commons that England intended keeping her fleet 60 per cent stronger than Germany's.

As an echo of the general feeling that a crisis is near, Lloyds today increased its rates for war risks. It demanded 8 per cent for policies covering war between Germany and England within six months, an increase of one per cent over the premium asked yesterday before Churchill's speech.

BERLIN, March 19.—Following the speech of First Lord of the Admiralty Churchill in the British house of commons, in which Germany was warned that she must be content to be subordinate to Britain as a sea power, all Germany is thrilling today with the belief that a grave crisis impends. So serious is the situation that Kaiser Wilhelm, who was to have left on Friday for a vacation at Corfu on the way to which island he was to have met Emperor Franz Josef at Vienna and later the king of Italy, announced today that the trip has been postponed.

POSSES CLOSE UPON OUTLAWS

HILLSVILLE, Va., March 19.—Posses marching from Mount Airy, N. C., on the south and from Hillsville on the north, are closing in today on the Allen gang of outlaws, who are entrenched in Devil's Den, in the Blue Ridge mountains, and an early battle is expected. Detectives have cut all wires to prevent friendly mountaineers from warning the Allen of the whereabouts of the posses and it is difficult to obtain accurate details of the movements of either the bandits or posses.

Company F, of the Second Virginia Volunteers was ordered to Hillsville today to establish martial law. A detachment will be sent to guard the mountain passes, while the detectives and posses are closing in on the bandits.

The superior court reconvenes here March 26, and a date will then be set for the trial of Floyd Allen on a charge of murder.

ARGUMENTS OPENED IN BEEF BARON'S TRIAL

CHICAGO, March 19.—George Buckingham, attorney for the Swifts, today opened argument for J. Ogden Armour and nine other Chicago "beef barons" who are on trial in United States Judge Carpenter's court here for criminal conspiracy under the Sherman law. Buckingham analyzed the evidence offered for the government at great length. He will be followed by Attorney Borders, for the defense.

NEW NAMES MENTIONED BY POLITICIANS

Emmett Beeson of Talent is Mentioned for Sheriff on Republican Ticket — J. W. Myers of Central Point May Oppose Neil.

Coleman Declares He Will Not Be a Candidate Unless N. L. Narregan Draws Out.

DAY'S DEVELOPMENTS IN POLITICAL CIRCLES

Emmett Beeson of Talent is put forward by his friends as a candidate for sheriff on the republican ticket. He has the matter under advisement.

J. W. Myers of Central Point suggested for county judge on the democratic ticket. If he decides to run he will oppose County Judge Neil in the primaries.

County Clerk Coleman states that he has passed his word to N. L. Narregan of Eagle Point not to be a candidate for re-election and unless Mr. Narregan withdraws will not be a candidate.

District Attorney Mulkey continues to refuse to definitely state whether he will be a candidate for re-election or not.

L. E. Wakeman of this city states that he will probably oppose N. L. Narregan for the republican nomination for county clerk, now that W. R. Coleman is not in the race.

J. E. Enyart of Trail is mentioned as a candidate for the legislature.

The plot begins to thicken. Candidates are romping down the home stretch toward the date when all filings for office for the April primary election will cease, on April 3, and they are chiefly conspicuous for their number. Each passing hour hears some new name mentioned and the primary ballot will be filled to a great degree on both tickets.

VOTES SOLD BY NEW MEXICANS

SANTA FE, N. M., March 19.—Accused of accepting bribes to vote for certain candidates for United States senator, State Representatives Trujillo and Vargas of Rio Arriba county and Montoya and Cordova of Taos county, republican members of New Mexico's first legislature, are in the county jail here today. No formal charges have yet been placed against them.

The first ballot for United States senator resulted as follows:

House—Catron 5, Martinez 16, Fall 9, Andrews 7, Hogan 2, Baca 6, Jones 15, Pritchard 2, Jaramillo 2, Larazolo 6, Mills 12, Murray 2, Snackhouse 1, Sena 1, Bushman 1, Page 1, Burns 1, and Jaffa 1.

Senate—Catron 6, Martinez 7, Fall 8, Andrews 5, Hogan 2, Jones 7, Mills 9, Murray 2, Jaffa 1.

The highest votes were cast for two democrats, in spite of the fact that two-thirds of the legislators are republicans.

MEN "THROW" BULL. NOT USUAL WAY

LOS ANGELES, Cal., March 19.—Vester Pegg and Willie Hill are recovering today from injuries they received when they were contestants in a wrestling match with bull opponents. Hill was gored. Pegg was thrown and then carried about the arena on the horns of the bull.



NO INTERFERENCE.

—New York Herald

NORTH DAKOTA CLAIMED BY BOTH TEDDY AND BOB

FARGO, N. D., March 19.—A presidential preference primary, the first ever held in the country, is in progress throughout North Dakota today. The early voting indicates that balloting will be the heaviest in the history of the state.

Roosevelt's campaign managers, who have been conducting a whirlwind campaign during the last few weeks, declare he is certain to be the popular choice, but this is disputed by the La Follette adherents. The opinion prevails that both Colonel Roosevelt and Senator La Follette will lead President Taft but the friends of the president hope that the division in the ranks of the insurgents may result in a Taft victory.

Senator La Follette concluded his tour of the state at Devils Lake yesterday. He is confident of victory. The Roosevelt and La Follette forces are concentrating their efforts in getting out the vote. The Roosevelt adherents declare that if La Follette wins it will be the result of Congressman Hanna's vigorous opposition to the Wisconsin senator. Hanna is the leader of the "stalwart" following and as this branch of the party is unpopular in the state, it is generally admitted that Hanna's opposition will prove a great help to Senator La Follette.

The supporters of Roosevelt and La Follette, who are working hard to get out a full vote in expectation of a close fight, are worried over the weather. A cold wave has struck the state, the mercury dropping steadily. In many points it registered zero at 10:30 this morning and a storm prevails on the prairies. Both sides fear that the excessive cold will prevent the polling of a heavy vote.

The democratic primaries are being held simultaneously. Governor Burke is the only presidential candidate on the ballot.

ORGANS OF BODY ARE SEEN AT WORK

BERLIN, March 19.—That Roentgen or X-ray are being used successfully by the German medical profession for the diagnosing of diseases of the internal organs is the statement made by Professor Kutner of Berlin. Kutner declared that by means of the Roentgen kinematograph a splendid picture of the movement of the stomach has been obtained. It was now possible, said the professor, to look into the abdomen and chest and see the organs at work.

HOUSE PASSES EXCISE BILL BY VOTE 249 TO 41

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 19.—By a vote of 249 to 41 the house this afternoon passed the excise bill. The measure was supported by all the democrats and progressive republicans, many of the latter voting in its favor. This action on the part of the republicans was a surprise to the democrats. Most of the republicans who voted against the bill are from New England.

Underwood declared that the enactment of the income tax law by the supreme court in 1895 was responsible for the growth of socialism in the United States. It is expected that the pending excise bill, if passed by giving the government the right to tax wealth, will produce between \$50,000,000 and \$60,000,000 in revenue annually.

Underwood announced today that the wool tariff bill probably will be the next measure taken up for consideration in the house.

CHINESE NAVY ATTACKS REBELS

HONG KONG, March 19.—Chinese gunboats opened fire today on the Bogue forts at Canton, which have been in the hands of General Luk, the rebel commander, since the soldiers mutinied and handed them over to the brigands a week ago. The rebels replied vigorously to the volleys from the flotilla.

Yuehu, Whampoa and Fu Mun forts, on the Canton river, were retaken by the government today after a heavy cannonade, in which hundreds of rebels were slain.

The government has bought up all the bread and canned meats in the city, in the hope of starving the rebels into submission. The end of the trouble is not yet in sight.

TAFT AFTER VOTES IN BLEAK NEW HAMPSHIRE

NASHUA, N. H., March 19.—President Taft on arrival here today was greeted by Congressman McCall of Massachusetts and former Governors Quimby and Rollins of New Hampshire. In the Colonial theater here he repeated to a big audience the remarks on progressive policies and the presidential primary which he made yesterday in Boston.

OHIO PLANS TO BURY ALL DEAD LAWS HEREAFTER

COLUMBUS, Ohio, March 19.—With "bury all dead laws" as its slogan, a large and influential faction of the Ohio constitutional convention, in session here today, is conducting a fight to include in the new state code a statute which will purge the lawbooks of the state of thousands of obsolete statutes which have come down through the hundreds of years of British and American jurisprudence.

E. W. Doty, one of the delegates to the convention from Cleveland, is the father of the idea. He declares that in every state of the union there are thousands of laws which, by the changes in communal life, are as dead as herrings. But every one of them, he says, is in full force, and it is largely through dusty old precedents dug out of these decayed measures that litigation is made tedious and that often justice is denied.

"There are 16,000 dead laws on the statute books of Ohio," said Doty, outlining his plan. "Most of them are dead. Why keep them? And then he advanced the idea which is making the Ohio lawmakers ponder."

Doty's plan is simply a statute of limitation on all laws. He urges that each law has a natural life of ten years, and that it shall die by automatic repeal.

HYPNOTISM USED IN AN OPERATION

CANTON, Ohio, March 19.—Held for forty minutes under the influence of a hypnotist, John Lyons, 45, who underwent a delicate surgical operation while in this condition, today is well on the road to recovery. Professor F. E. Loutzenheiser, a Canton hypnotist, kept the patient laughing and singing as the surgeons went about their task.

In the midst of the operation the hypnotist fainted at the sight of the blood but his subject was undisturbed. After the operation the hypnotist reduced Lyons' pulsations from 82 to 68, where it was held by mental suggestion.

The surgeons say the operation was the first on record under such circumstances.

WEST MUCH PLEASED WITH SAN FRANCISCO

Governor Spends Night at Medford on His Way Home From Selecting Site for Oregon at Exposition— Californians Outdid Themselves.

Tells San Franciscans About Prison Reforms and Receives Many Compliments on the Oregon System.

Highly pleased with the reception given the Oregon delegation at San Francisco and somewhat worn by the five days' continuous program of entertainment which kept him constantly on the go, Governor Oswald West arrived in Medford Monday evening on his return from the ceremonies attending the selection of a site at the Panama exposition grounds for the Oregon building. After spending the night here, he left for Salem Tuesday morning.

"Californians are famous for their hospitality, but San Francisco fairly outdid herself on this occasion," remarked Governor West. "We were welcomed at Port Costa by the mayor of San Francisco and the fair commission, and from thence until we left, there was a continuous round of receptions, luncheons, auto rides and excursions."

"Oregon has the finest site on the grounds for the Oregon building. It is on the highest eminence in that section reserved for state buildings. Between the park and the bay, it overlooks the Golden Gate and commands a view of the entire harbor. The site is most picturesque and the fair will be a great success."

"Oregon has been honored above the other states. We have been made to feel that we are first, not only in selecting a site, but in the estimation and hearts of Californians. Everywhere there was a cordial welcome."

"As in the eastern states, I found that the Oregon system of popular government had been a great advertisement for the state and Oregon's lead has helped California into the progressive column."

"I found much interest in the prison reforms I am trying to carry out in Oregon. I spoke to a crowded house at the Cort theatre Sunday upon my work here and was surprised at the great interest it has aroused. Accompanied by Col. F. L. Ton Velle and G. Putnam of Medford, I spent Saturday inspecting San Quentin prison and found conditions much improved there over what they were a few years ago, but still far behind Oregon."

Governor West refused to state what action he would take regarding the application for a pardon for Cooper Morris.

SPAIN HELPS THRONELESS KING

PARIS, March 19.—Reports are current today that Spain is taking a leading part in a movement to restore Manuel, the deposed king of Portugal, to his throne. Another report is that Great Britain, Germany and France have agreed to Manuel's restoration, receiving compensation for their part in the conspiracy.

England, it is said, will get important islands in the Azores. France will receive further concessions in Morocco and Germany will take Angola.

Dom Miguel of Braganza, who has had several conferences with King Alfonso of late, is the prospective leader of the revolutionary forces.

WICHITA, Kas., March 19.—Wichita expects to entertain a record-breaking number of visitors this week on the occasion of the annual convention of the Interstate association of Southwest Threshermen and the Southwest Kansas and Oklahoma Hardware Dealers' association. An automobile show is to furnish an additional attraction for the visitors.

AMENT DAM STOPS ASCENT OF ALL FISH

Superintendent O'Malley of the Bureau of Hatcheries Reports That Few Fish Are Being Taken and Blames Trouble Upon Dam.

Governor West Promises Speedy Action Upon Investigation and May Order Obstruction Removed.

"Unless something is done to remedy the situation, either by removing the Ament dam or by constructing an adequate fishway, we might as well abandon hatchery operations on the upper Rogue as far as egg collecting is concerned," stated Superintendent Henry O'Malley of the federal Bureau of Fisheries. Mr. O'Malley has general supervision over the hatcheries of the northwest and has been looking over the work of his department in southern Oregon, and returned north Tuesday.

"Although the season is far advanced, practically no steelhead have reached the Elk creek hatchery, which shows that they are not getting over the dam as they should. I spent Monday at the Ament dam. The last high water lodged a tree across the south end and ripped off some of the plank face. A flood would take this section of the dam out, though the concrete section built last summer would stand. The temporary fishway has been carried out and the fish cannot get up the inadequate old ladders."

"Now that a second receivership has involved the property, I do not know what the chances of a permanent fishway are. This dam has given trouble every year for many years and until it is permanently remedied, there will be continuous trouble. There will be no fishing in the upper Rogue this season unless speedy action is taken. I have taken the matter up with the state game and fish commission."

Governor West was told the condition of the dam and stated that he would at once investigate the extent of the state's authority and possibly order the structure removed if the law was not complied with. "Merely because a corporation is bankrupt does not give it a right to violate state statutes," he remarked.

EQUAL SUFFRAGE GIVEN SET BACK

ALBANY, N. Y., March 19.—By a vote of 68 to 63 the lower house of the New York legislature today overthrew the adverse report of the judiciary committee on the woman suffrage bill, and ordered the bill placed upon the calendar. Heretofore the opponents of equal suffrage had been able, by smothering enabling bills in committee, to prevent consideration of the subject by the legislature. The action of the assembly virtually was nullified, however, by the senate, which struck the suffragists a hard blow in striking out the enabling clause of a similar bill by a vote of 24 to 17. This effectively killed the senate bill indicating that there will be no chance for suffrage legislation at this session.

VIOLA CARTER IS PLACED ON TRIAL

LOS ANGELES, Cal., March 19.—Viola Carter, the 23-year-old candy store salesgirl who shot and killed J. Edge a week ago, was arraigned today. Her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. John Carver, of Tacoma, accompanied her to court. The preliminary hearing was set for March 27 before Police Judge Chambers.

Miss Carver was calm when brought to court today. She sat beside her mother, who held her hand throughout the proceedings. Daughter and parents refused to comment on the case.