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AMERICA SEEKS DISAVOWAL OF ARABIC ATTACK

Question of Arbitration Not an Issue, Says State Department—Bernstorff Shown Evidence in Connection With Case and Given Time to Inform Germany of Position.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—The American government is not yet willing to discuss with Germany the question of arbitration in connection with the sinking of the Arabic.

It was explained authoritatively that what the American government first wants is a disavowal of the attack on the Arabic.

Situation Still Grave

Count Von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, has communicated the view of the American government to Berlin and it is expected that he will receive a reply within the next week or ten days.

While officials realize that the situation is grave, they are hopeful that when Berlin learns of the facts in possession of the state department, the act will be disavowed.

It was said today that the ambassador and the secretary yesterday discussed entirely the question of a disavowal.

Examines the Evidence

It was learned that the ambassador had the opportunity at the state department to examine carefully a mass of evidence gathered by the United States giving in technical detail the position of the Arabic, the British steamer Dunsley and the German submarine up to and including the time the torpedoes were fired, which destroyed both vessels.

The proof offered is understood to be chiefly that the German submarine was at right angles to the Arabic when firing the torpedo and that the liner could not see the submarine because, up to the moment of firing, it was concealed behind the Dunsley.

LONE ZEPPELIN RAIDS ENGLAND

LONDON, Sept. 14.—Another German air raid was made over the east coast of England last night, but as far as appears there were no casualties and no damage was done.

A single Zeppelin was the raiding air craft, according to the official announcement, which read:

"A Zeppelin visited the east coast last night. Bombs were dropped. Anti-aircraft guns, fixed and mobile, were in action.

"So far as can be ascertained there were no casualties and no damage was done.

SOUTH CAROLINA VOTES ON PROHIBITION

COLUMBIA, S. C., Sept. 14.—South Carolina voters went to the polls today to decide whether state wide prohibition should be adopted January 1 or the present system of county option retained.

GERMANY DISCLAIMS BLAME FOR SINKING STEAMER HESPERIAN

BERLIN, Sept. 14.—The German government, in a note from the foreign office to Ambassador Gerard, delivered at noon today, made a qualified disclaimer of responsibility for the sinking of the steamer Hesperian.

ALLIES SEEKING GREAT WAR LOAN MINUS COLLATERAL

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—The report that the Anglo-French financial commission contemplated borrowing millions of dollars without collateral of any sort and solely on government notes of Great Britain and France, overshadows all other topics in the financial section today.

Heretofore the opinion has prevailed that England and France would secure the proposed mammoth loan by American securities, dollar for dollar, or by some other acceptable form of collateral.

It was the consensus of financial opinion that the commission would find its task tremendously more difficult than would be the case were the proposed credit loan secured by collateral of American bonds and stock, as at first suggested.

Before the commission reached New York the belief was prevalent in some quarters that Europe was virtually on her knees to the United States, begging for money.

BOURNE CONDUCTING G. O. P. PRESS BUREAU

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 14.—Former United States Senator Jonathan Bourne is conducting an extensive publicity campaign in favor of what he calls "republican principles."

EAST IN GRIP OF EXCESSIVE HEAT WAVE

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—No relief from the excessive heat, which has gripped the east and south since the middle of last week is promised by the weather bureau during the next 36 hours.

Unreasonably cool weather prevails in the west and temperatures at or below the freezing point are reported from many points in the Rocky Mountain and plateau regions.

BRINGS AMERICAN LOCOMOTIVE TO RUSSIA VIA PANAMA

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 14.—The British steamship Saint Leonard's, the first vessel to clear from this port for Vladivostok by way of the Panama canal sailed today for the Siberian port.

GREAT BRITAIN LIKELY TO ADOPT CONSCRIPTION

Official Admission Made That Cabinet Is Seriously Debating Subject of Compulsory Enlistment—Asquith Requests Public Debate Cease Until Cabinet Reports to Parliament.

LONDON, Sept. 14.—Official admission that the cabinet is seriously debating the subject of conscription was made public for the first time in the House of Commons this afternoon.

The subject was raised when the motion for adjournment was made. It was brought up by both the opponents and advocates of conscription.

"This is not a matter which has escaped the attention of the government. When the government, without undue delay, and with the due deliberation which the gravity of the subject demands, has arrived at its conclusions they will be presented to the house and will then become the subject of parliamentary discussion."

Asquith Asks Silence

The premier expressed regret that the question of the best way "in which this country shall make the call to bring the war to a successful conclusion" had become a matter of public controversy.

The unusual interest centering in the re-opening of parliament was shown by the large attendance today, but the more important matters which are absorbing public attention were postponed until tomorrow.

For Airship Defense

The question of defense against airship raids was brought up in the House of Commons, an attempt being made to interrogate Thomas J. McNamara, financial secretary of the admiralty.

ARCHIBALD TO BE PROSECUTED

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—United States District Attorney Marshall of New York, who will have direct charge of any proceedings taken against James F. Archibald, the American newspaperman detained abroad with Dr. Dumba's munitions letter to the Austrian government, had a long conference today with Assistant Attorney General Warren and A. Brucke Bielaski, chief of the bureau of investigation of the department of justice.

DEAD MEXICANS FOUND ON BORDER

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., Sept. 14.—The bodies of three dead Mexicans were found today at various points in this section. Two bodies were found near Edinburg, 25 miles from the zone of yesterday's fight.

The body of another Mexican today floated past Brownsville chained to a tree.

There was no indication on any of the bodies as to whether the Mexicans had been victims of private vengeance. Texas rangers working near Edinburg have made no report of encountering Mexicans.

SUBMARINE TAKES ENGLISHMAN PRISONER

CHRISTIANA, Sept. 14.—The latest exploit of a German submarine is the halting of a Norwegian vessel and the seizure of a British subject who was carried off prisoner.

SISKIYOU HIGHWAY PRAISED AS EQUAL TO EUROPEAN HIGHWAYS

OAKLAND, Cal., Sept. 14.—James H. MacDonald, who was for 18 years Connecticut state highway commissioner, said at the convention today that the states of California, Oregon and Washington lead the Union in the matter of good roads.

"The Columbia highway and the road over the Siskiyou in Oregon, he said, "more than equal the famous roads of Europe, as well as the famous palisades drive along the Hudson. This wonderful road progress has all been made in the last ten years."

OREGON SUNDAY CLOSING LAW HELD CONSTITUTIONAL

SALEM, Ore., Sept. 14.—Pronouncing the Oregon Sunday closing law constitutional the state supreme court today reversed the decision of Circuit Judge R. G. Morrow in the case of the State against Leigh Nichols, arrested in Lane county for keeping open a cigar stand on Sunday.

The decision upholds the law in its entirety, and means that under the statutes it is lawful to keep open on the Sabbath day any business institution save theaters, drug stores, physicians offices, livery stables, meat markets and bakery and undertaking establishments.

The law which was assailed on the ground that it contravened a section of the state constitution which provides no law shall be passed granting to any citizen or class of citizens privileges which shall not equally belong to all citizens, and also on the ground that it was in violation of the fourteenth amendment to the federal constitution.

The court held that the law had its sanction in the acknowledged right to provide for public health, peace, welfare and safety, and that the only question was the reasonableness of allowing certain lines of business to remain open.

ROLPH RELIEVED OF CONTEMPT CHARGES

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 14.—Mayor James Rolph, Jr., was relieved today of the charges of contempt of court in violating an injunction forbidding the opening of two municipal car lines. Judge Geo. E. Crothers, of the superior court, dismissed the action after a month of argument by the attorneys.

CASHIER ARRESTED FOR TAKING DEPOSIT

SOUTH BEND, Wash., Sept. 14.—An information was filed in the superior court here today charging Elias Pierson, cashier of the First International Bank with accepting a deposit after the institution was insolvent. The bank closed its doors July 19, 1915, and the information charged that Pierson accepted a \$35 deposit July 16.

AMERICAN BELGIAN RELIEF SHIP ASHORE

LONDON, Sept. 14.—A steamship flying the signals of the American Committee for the Relief of Belgium has gone ashore. Four members of her crew are missing. This is the steamship which was reported yesterday to have been sunk.

RUSSIAN GAINS IN SOUTH OFFSET GERMAN'S NORTH

Courland Campaign Proves Costly in Men and Supplies, Though Endangering Rail Connections of Petrograd—Duel of Big Guns on West Front—Turks Firing Villages.

LONDON, Sept. 14.—Field Marshal Von Hindenburg's offensive near Dvinsk, where the railroad leading from Vilna to Petrograd has been reached, again menaces the railway connections with the Russian capital. The comparative success in other sectors, which the Russians have gained in the last fortnight, however, causes the capital to regard the latest threat against it with no great alarm.

British opinion is that the Courland campaign of the Germans not only is proving costly in men and supplies, but is likely to fail unless the Russian offensive on the other extreme of the long front can be stopped soon.

By their latest attack in eastern Galicia, the Russians are reported to have penetrated Austro-German trenches in the face of an exceptionally heavy artillery fire.

The tremendous duel of big guns still marks operations along the Franco-Belgian and Italian fronts. Except for occasional attempts to rush advanced trenches there is little infantry activity on either side.

From the near east come reports that the Turks are firing villages on the Asiatic shore of the Dardanelles and it is suggested that they are preparing to abandon the straits. It is also reported that the Turkish shore batteries on the Asiatic side of the straits have been almost reduced to silence.

CHICAGO SWELTERS IN FIRST HOT SPELL

CHICAGO, Sept. 14.—The thermometer here today registered 86 degrees. This is exceptional as marking the first hot spell of the year in Chicago.

All summer the city waited for the usual hot period, but the heat never became oppressive and never lasted more than a day without rain or cold. Today was the third consecutive warm day and thus it is said to establish a season's record.

YAQUI INDIANS RAID AMERICAN COMMUNITY THREATEN DESTRUCTION

GUAYMAS, Mexico, Sept. 14.—By radio to San Diego, Cal.— Mounted Yaqui Indians forded the Yaqui river at Chumampu, an Indian village 50 miles from here today and invaded the lands of the Richardson Construction company, menacing the citizens and threatening destruction of the property. The nearest air is the cruiser Chattanooga stationed here.

BRITISH CASUALTIES UP TO AUGUST 21 TOTALS 381,983

LONDON, Sept. 14.—Official announcement was made today in the house of commons that the total of British war casualties up to August 21 was 381,983 officers and men killed, wounded or missing.

Losses of the British army during the summer were some smaller than in April and May. This is probably accounted for by the comparative inaction along the Franco-Belgian front. It may be assumed that the heaviest proportion of losses was at the Dardanelles.

The last previous statement of the total of British casualties was made by Premier Asquith on June 9th. It gave a total of 258,069 up to May 31. The losses from that time, up to August 21 are therefore shown to have been 123,914, a daily average of about 1500.

In the two months before the end of May, the period covered in the preceding announcement, the losses averaged roughly are about 2000 a day.

MORE BRITISH GOLD COMES FROM AUSTRALIA

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 14.—More British gold nearly five and one-half millions of dollars in sovereigns, is due here tomorrow aboard the Oceanic liner Sonoma from Australian bankers. Banks here to which it is consigned will handle it directly to the mint for re-coining.

Including tomorrow's shipment the total of British money received here from Australia and New Zealand since June 30 approximates \$20,000,000. Early next month \$8,000,000 is expected.

VANCOUVER HOTELMAN FATALLY WOUNDS WOMAN

VANCOUVER, B. C., Sept. 14.—H. M. Cottingham, proprietor of a hotel here, an old resident and wealthy, went to the residence of Mrs. Avis Donahue, aged 25, early this morning, shot her twice through the lungs and was arrested by a policeman, who heard the shots. Cottingham was taken to the police station in his own automobile. The woman was sent to a hospital, where physicians said she could not recover.

TUCSON ENDANGERED BY MEXICAN PLOT

FORT HUACHUCA, Ariz., Sept. 14.—Persistent reports of a plot to foment an uprising among the Mexican residents of Tucson, Ariz., next Thursday, Mexican Independence day, resulted in an order today of two troops of cavalry from this post. The troops will arrive at Tucson tomorrow under command of Major Bryan on a "practice march."

They were ordered to the city after a visit here of Acting Mayor A. C. Bernard. Arrangements to station a large number of armed men at the armory, water works and other public utility plants were made at a mass meeting of citizens. A third of the 20,000 residents of Tucson are Mexicans.

DUMBA ASKS FOR RECALL TO MAKE REPORT

Austrian Ambassador Requests Leave of Absence From Home Government to Make Personal Report—Surprised By Unauthorized Publication of Private Message.

LENOX, Mass., Sept. 14.—The Austro-Hungarian ambassador, Dr. Constantin T. Dumba, today announced that he had requested his foreign office to recall him on leave of absence in order that he might make a personal report on the situation in the United States which resulted in a request by the United States government for his recall.

In authorizing the Associated Press to make the announcement Dr. Dumba expressed indignation that the text of his message to the Austro-Hungarian minister of foreign affairs, Baron Von Burian already had become public without his consent or knowledge.

Dumba Indignant

In view of "the situation," he said, he probably would not make public a statement but would, however, have something to say through the Austrian press when he reached Vienna. He declared he had communicated with his government in the only way open to him and was much embarrassed because his message was known in this country before it reached the only person for whom it was intended.

Dr. Dumba added that he could not tell exactly when he would leave, but preparations for steampship accommodations were now being made through New York agents. Mrs. Dumba will leave Lenox tomorrow for Washington, where she plans to stay about a week. Then she will rejoin the ambassador at New York, and they will sail as soon as possible. Passage will be obtained on a Dutch or Norwegian steamer.

Message Is Sent

"I may say," said Dr. Dumba, "that I have sent this message to our minister for foreign affairs:

"I beg your excellency to recall me on leave of absence for personal report."

"This was a purely official message and now for the first time I authorize its publication. It was sent from the embassy by the only means which I had to communicate with my government and to my astonishment it has become public, though not through the Associated Press, to whom I had planned to give a formal statement when I was prepared to do so."

PAVED AUTO ROADS HELP HORSE-SHOERS

CLEVELAND, Sept. 14.—Delegates to the convention of the Master Horse Shoers National Protective association, in session here today, declared that the hard pavement used on automobile roads was helping their business. They say a horse's shoes now are wearing only one-fourth as long as formerly.