

GERMANY ASKS RATIFICATION OF ANCIENT TREATY

HOPE OF PEACE NOT YET LOST BY PRESIDENT

Proposition Made for Re-enactment of Prussian-American Convention of 1799 and 1828, Allowing Nations, in Case of War, Nine Months to Settle Affairs and Leave Countries.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—The status of the Prussian-American treaty of 1828 is one of the first things President Wilson will have to decide as a result of breaking off of relations with Germany.

Originally negotiated in 1799 all its terms were included in the later treaty of 1828, when it expired by limitation.

Examination of the terms of the almost forgotten convention, shows that it contains provisions which, if permitted to stand, might prevent the United States from confiscating German war-bounded ships in American harbors in case of war.

How the United States would regard a proposal for a special re-ratification of the treaty is not clear at this time. The impression prevails in some quarters that it might be more desirable to denounce the treaty than to give it new force.

Germany Asks Ratification.
BERLIN, Feb. 5.—The Associated Press learns authoritatively that Germany will propose to Ambassador Gerard a special re-ratification of the Prussian-American treaties of 1799 and 1828, allowing nationals in case of war nine months in which to settle their affairs and leave hostile countries.

A representative of the foreign office pointed out to the correspondent that the ancient treaties between the United States and Prussia were still in effect and contained a clause contrary to the usual rule, that they should not be invalidated by the outbreak of hostilities.

At official quarters there seemed to be anxiety to assure the few Americans still here on the case of internment. Several of these Americans are in a highly difficult position with no prospective means of returning to the United States except by the trans-Siberian railroad or possibly by a round about route through Switzerland to Spain and by Spanish steamers to Cuba.

THREE MORE VICTIMS FOR SUBMARINES

LONDON, Feb. 5.—The British steamer T-6 of Arrao, of 313 tons, has been sunk by a submarine, two of her crew being injured by shell fire, Lloyd's Shipping agency announced today.

The British steamer Eurydice, of 1791 tons, also has been sunk and the captain and four members of the crew killed, says another agency announcement.

The Russian four-masted bark Garnet Hill, of 2272 gross tons, is believed by Lloyd's to have been sunk.

TEDDY ROOSEVELT GIVES HIMSELF AND FOUR SONS

OYSTER BAY, N. Y., Feb. 5.—Theodore Roosevelt has pledged his support to President Wilson in upholding the honor of the United States. He offered to the country his own services and those of his four sons in the event of hostilities.

Sinking of American Liner Housatonic by Submarine Not Illegal, as Vessel Had Warning—Red-Cross Prepares for Relief—Guarding Munition Plants—Conference Held.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—Grindy preparing, and with an air of conviction that the nation's course will be shaped immutably for it as Germany makes effective her announced measures of unrestricted warfare, the United States government has begun a tense vigil that may be broken momentarily or may be long drawn out.

Despite the severance of diplomatic relations with Germany, President Wilson believes his long struggle to preserve the country's peace has not yet been lost. He still hopes not only that hostilities will be avoided, but that other neutrals, adding their voices to that of the United States, will unite the major moral force of the world to compel peace in Europe.

No Illegal Act.
It now appears that the sinking of the American steamer Housatonic Saturday by a submarine was not an illegal act, since she carried a contraband cargo of wheat, warning was given and the crew saved.

The situation in regard to Austria had not changed up to today. Chapters of the Red Cross throughout the United States today had orders from national officers to prepare immediately for relief work.

Government officials authorized a statement denying reports that seizure of German war-bounded merchant ships in American harbors is contemplated. It was explained, however, that steps have been taken to prevent the obstruction of harbors by the blowing up or sinking of any of these vessels.

Forestalling Destruction.
The department of justice also is making secret preparations for forestalling deprivations which German sympathizers might commit on munition factories or public works.

Secretaries Baker and Daniels yesterday conferred with bureau chiefs and plans are under discussion for calling out navy reserve officers and of graduating the senior class at Annapolis to meet any emergency conditions.

PREPARING FOR WAR

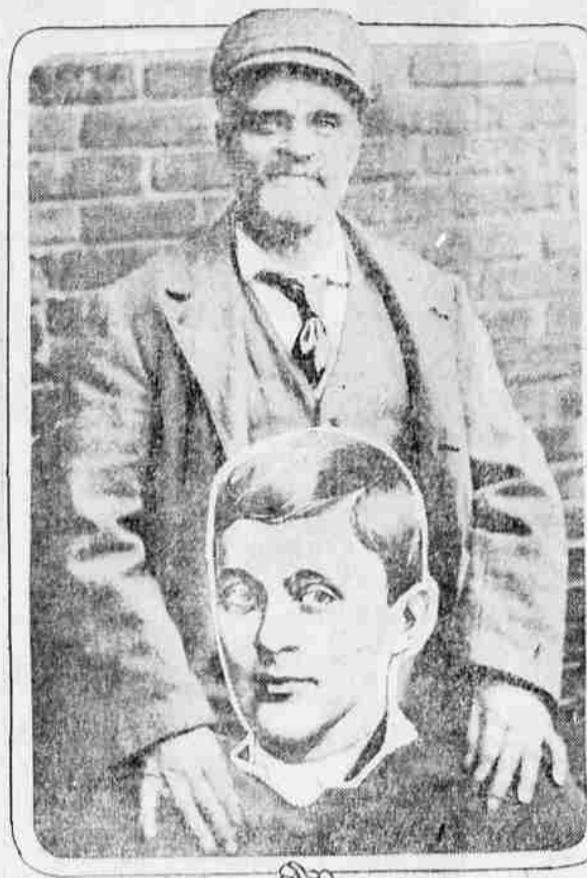
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hurrying the work of preparedness if it became necessary.

Tense Waiting.
The safe arrival of American ships in English harbors, reported this morning, brought an air of relief to the tensely which had prevailed everywhere. Officials still hoped Germany would not violate her pledges to the United States, despite her threat.

All officials realized that the situation had resolved itself into one of tense waiting and careful preparation. They realized that the hoped-for against overt act may come soon or be long delayed. Meanwhile they are putting every agency of the government to work to meet it.

Apparently the next question of great moment to be decided relates to Austria's participation in Germany's campaign of ruthlessness. President Wilson is ready to sever relations also with the dual monarchy as soon as it officially subscribes to the German declaration.

FIRST PICTURE OF AMERICA'S MOST FAMOUS PRISONER



Here is the first picture of Jesse Pomeroy, America's most famous prisoner, since he was placed in solitary confinement in the Charlestown, Mass., state prison forty-one years ago. The picture was taken when Pomeroy was allowed outside solitary confinement and told that Governor McCall, with consent of the executive council, had commuted the sentence to life imprisonment on the same terms as other prisoners—light work and mingling with other prisoners during certain hours.

Pomeroy says he wants a pardon of nothing. He was convicted of boy murder. The picture inset shows Pomeroy as he looked 41 years ago.

Heed Common Sense

(From the Portland Oregonian.)
A primary purpose of publishing a delinquent tax list is to notify the public that tax certificates of delinquency are about to issue upon the property listed; that such certificates are about to be available for investment. The advertisement is at once a service to the public and a protection to the taxpayers who pay promptly, for the certificates when sold bring to the public treasury money due and needed for county and other local expenditures.

As for state taxes, delinquency is not recognized. A fixed apportionment is made which is collected from the county whether all property owners pay or not. Delinquencies in one year are spread over all property the next to the full extent of unpaid state taxes and they also increase taxes in all particulars of those who pay promptly.

DUDLEY MALONE EXTINGUISHES BOMB UNDER DOORSTEP

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—Customs collector Malone at New York reported to the treasury department today that he had found a bomb under the steps of his home.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—Dudley Field Malone, collector of the Port of New York, denied today the report that a bomb had been discovered under the steps of his residence or that he had communicated with the treasury department "on any such subject."

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—Prior to the receipt of the dispatch from Washington that a bomb had been found under the steps of Mr. Malone's home, a report was current here that a bomb had been found in the custom house in Mr. Malone's office on Saturday.

The report and all knowledge of any attempt on Mr. Malone's life was emphatically denied by Deputy Collector Stewart, speaking for Mr. Malone. He said a statement would be made later. A report was current that the incident reported by Mr. Malone occurred today and that he had snuffed out the fuse of the bomb with his fingers, after finding it on the steps of his home.

The bomb reported to have been planted in the custom house on Saturday was said to have been discovered in the room immediately under Mr. Malone's private office in which he was at work. It was said that employees had discovered it and extinguished its fuse.

LEGISLATURE VOTES FINAL FORTNIGHT OF 1917 SESSION

SALEM, Feb. 5.—The Oregon legislature entered upon the last fortnight of its 1917 session here today, determined to devote its time to consideration of the several important constructive measures yet pending.

When the senate and house of representatives adjourned Friday for the week-end recess, only one important measure of state-wide interest—the "bone dry" law—had been written into the statute books.

There yet remains for consideration an insurance code, laws providing for a state highway system, banking laws and measures aimed to consolidate more departments to cut down expenses. Most of the bills are either in committee or have just been reported out.

Speaker Robert N. Stanfield of the house of representatives is urging the committees to get their reports out, so that the house will have time to give the measures proper consideration.

Highway Legislation.
Roads will probably be the first thing the legislature will turn to this week. Two complete codes, providing for a system of state highways throughout Oregon have been under consideration for several weeks by the joint road committee of the two houses and it is expected that a compromise bill will be reported out.

When the legislature opened today, only ten bills had been approved by both houses, awaited the signature of Governor Withycombe. The governor has signed thirty-eight bills this session. There have been 267 bills introduced in the senate and 478 in the house. Fifty have found their way to oblivion over the "indefinite postponement route."

A FRIEND'S ADVICE

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Louisville, Ky.—"For four years I suffered from female troubles, headaches, and nervousness. I could not sleep, had no appetite and it hurt me to walk. If I tried to do any work, I would have to lie down before it was finished. The doctors said I would have to be operated on and I simply broke down. A friend advised me to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and the result is I feel like a new woman. I am well and strong, do all my own house work and have a eight pound baby girl. I know Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound saved me from an operation which every woman dreads."—Mrs. NELLIE FISBACK, 1521 Christy Ave., Louisville, Ky.

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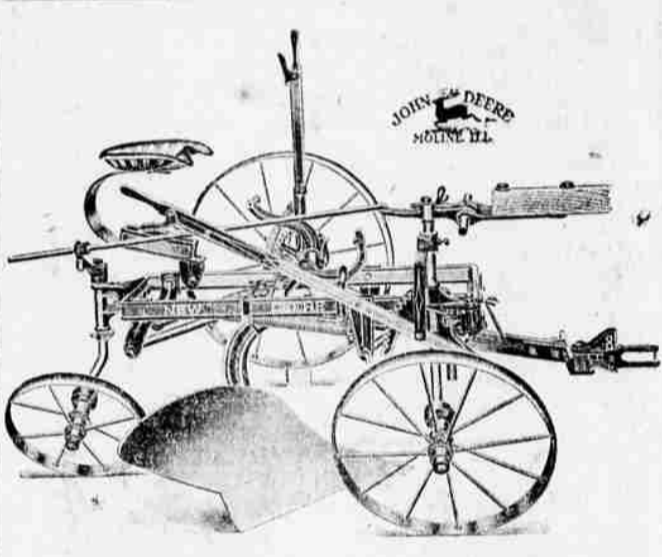
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