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HITCHCOCK CALLS KNOX MOVE FOLLY

Democratic Leader Ridicules Fourth Effort of Pennsylvania Senator to Escape Responsibility for Defeating Peace Treaty—Congress Has No Power to Make Peace—Resolution Adopted by House Denounced Effort to Evade Responsibility

WASHINGTON, May 12.—Democratic attack upon the republican peace resolution was launched today by Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska, administration spokesman who declared in addressing the senate that the measure was futile and inconsistent and inimical to the treaty of Versailles.

"The mountain has labored and brought forth a mouse," he said. "Great expectations for an act of congress that would force a peace settlement are to be disappointed. High hopes that a resolution by congress could be made to perform the functions of a peace treaty are abandoned. Instead of a peace settlement to be forced by a resolution of mandatory requirements as the price of severing commercial relations, we are merely to repeal the war declaration, declare the war at an end and invite the president to negotiate a separate peace."

Mr. Hitchcock cited three similar resolutions which he said had been sponsored since last November by Senator Knox of Pennsylvania, author of the pending resolution. The latter, Mr. Hitchcock said, is the fifth peace resolution offered by the republican leadership.

"In reaching this important conclusion," he said of the pending measure, "the supporters of the novel plan have staggered from side to side over a zig zag course for nearly six months."

Can't Make Peace Senator Hitchcock denied that congress has the power to make peace although it has authority to declare war. The states voted unanimously against giving congress peace making jurisdiction, he said.

Senator Knox's recent argument that the war actually was at an end was conceded by Mr. Hitchcock, who asked:

"Then why this resolution? Hostilities ceased eighteen months ago and our army was reduced to a peace basis. Since that time commerce has been resumed. We have sold hundreds of millions of dollars worth of products to Germany and purchased much from her. The war which the senator from Pennsylvania proposes to end by this resolution does not by his own admission exist.

"What then is the senator from Pennsylvania attempting to do by this measure, which he calls a resolution to terminate the war? He is making an utterly futile and hopeless attempt to make a peace settlement with Germany to take the place of the Versailles treaty.

Resolution Denounced "Instead of declaring peace," he said, "the Knox resolution declares war at an end. Thus we have raised the interesting distinction between declaring peace and declaring war at an end."

The resolution adopted by the house last month was denounced especially by Mr. Hitchcock because of its proposals for an embargo against Germany within 45 days in event of German objections to the resolution and its provision for reserving rights under the treaty.

"In the house resolution," he said, "we demand the benefits of the

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BOOZE WAGON WITH ORANGE CAMOUFLAGE CAVORTS ON HIGHWAY

ONTARIO, Cal., May 12.—Peter Carbone drove a big truck loaded with boxed oranges along the highway near here today. He collided with a wagon occupied by a Mexican family and four of them were hurt, but he drove on; next he struck an automobile driven by Charles J. Haines of Santa Monica, wrecked it, injured Haines and landed his own truck in the ditch.

Officers arrested Carbone. They began to remove the orange crates so they could right the truck and then they discovered eleven barrels, containing 550 gallons of wine, under the oranges. Carbone faced charges of driving without lights, reckless driving, failing to halt after injuring others, and violating the prohibition enforcement statutes.

GENERAL OBREGON GIVEN OVATION IN MEXICO CITY

MEXICO CITY, Via El Paso Junction, May 9.—(By the Associated Press)—"A man on horseback" rode into Mexico City Sunday noon. General Alvaro Obregon who fled from the capital alone, disguised in a brakeman's greasy clothes in the early morning hours before dawn April 13, returned at the head of several thousand troops.

From Tacubaya, a few miles southwest of Mexico City, the presidential candidate rode on a prancing bay stallion through the crowded streets as far as the national palace. Halting the procession for a few moments, General Obregon mounted to the balcony of a hotel fronting the plaza de la Reforma and delivered a short speech, explaining the ideals that caused him to force President Carranza to evacuate the capital.

The appearance of the Sonoran's short figure, bearded, and with face heavily lined, and the right sleeve dangling empty at his side, was the signal for cheers. Descending Obregon resumed his ride through the Avenida Juarez and the Avenida Francisco Madero to the center of the city. The great Plaza de La Constitucion, on which face the national palace and the great towers of the cathedral, was a veritable moving sea of humanity.

ODESSA CAPTURED BY UKRAINIANS

PARIS, May 12.—Odessa, Russia's most important outlet on the Black sea, has been occupied by the troops of General Pelura, Ukrainian commander, the Ukrainian press bureau here declared today.

WARSAW, May 11.—(By the Associated Press)—The bolsheviks are reported to be digging in along the line east of Kiev and re-organizing their forces. Artillery fighting is continuing across the Dnieper. An official statement announces further Ukrainian forces in Podolia the advancing forces along the Odessa railroad having occupied Kanizopol.

FOREIGN TRADE SALVATION OF U. S. PROSPERITY

James A. Farrell, President U. S. Steel Condemns Little Americans and Political Obstructionists—Foreign Markets Must Be Cultivated to Absorb Production.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 12.—The world offers vast opportunities for American enterprise, James A. Farrell, president of the United States steel corporation, and chairman of the seventh annual National Foreign Trade convention, told trade experts from all parts of the world here today. His speech, opening a four-day international discussion of trade, portrayed conditions in the United States as leading to either stagnation and business reverses due to overproduction, or to glowing prosperity following development of world trade channels.

The abnormal demand upon American production during the war, he said, has been projected into the first years of peace because of the exhaustion of the world's reserve stocks.

"We shall be confronted," he said "in a quite unmistakable way, with the fact that we are able to produce more than we can sell at home. We shall face, accordingly, such an urgency for foreign trade as we never before experienced. For, either, we shall find markets abroad for the surplus of our industrial productivity or we shall cease to produce it, which is quite unthinkable. That way lies stagnation, unemployment and business reverses.

"But the world offers vast opportunities for American enterprise. Needs that have been restricted by jealous and discordant political parties, material development that has been checked by the insistence on narrow spheres of interest, will be governed in the future by broader and freer conception of international co-operation than has ever prevailed before.

"There can be no question about the economic rebirth of the civilized world, for it is already in progress, even in places where industrial distress seems most acute and social disorganization most profound. Vast undeveloped portions of the world with fertile soil and cheap labor are entering upon a period of rapid development. They will help supply the rapidly increasing needs for foodstuffs and raw materials and they will at the same time furnish new markets for finished products.

"We may not be able to tell the precise extent or fix the exact direction of the forces that are about to change the face of the world, but we may face the future with confidence by the exercise of an intelligent foresight and by being ready to adjust ourselves to the new course of economic development.

"We must devote the same sustained and intelligent effort to international commerce that has produced such wonderful results in our domestic trade.

TRAIN CREW HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR PORTLAND WRECK

PORTLAND, Ore., May 12.—Responsibility for the head-on collision of the two Southern Pacific electric passenger trains near here last Sunday morning in which nine persons were killed and 38 others injured, was placed definitely on all members of the crew of the inbound passenger train in a verdict returned early today by Coroner Earl Smith.

The three trainmen held responsible for the tragedy are: D. K. Willett, engineer, who was killed in the wreck, Austin Pharis, conductor, and W. A. Fisch, brakeman. Pharis and Fisch are at Good Samaritan hospital as a result of injuries sustained in the collision.

The jury, however, gave the dead engineer the benefit of the doubt when it expressed the belief that Willett, just prior to the wreck, had been rendered mentally or physically incapacitated.

PRESIDENT APPOINTS HINES ARBITRATOR IN GERMAN SHIP DISPUTE

WASHINGTON, May 12.—(By the Associated Press)—Walker D. Hines, who retires Saturday as director general of the railroad administration will leave this month for Europe to act as arbitrator in determining the ownership of a number of vessels under the German flag operating on the Danube, Elbe, Rhine and Oder rivers.

Mr. Hines was appointed by President Wilson, who was asked by the interested nations, including Belgium, Czechoslovakia and Rumania to name an arbitrator. Mr. Hines expects to be away about eight months.

M'NARY SECURES FOREST PATROL IN OREGON FOR 1920

WASHINGTON, May 12.—Conferees on the agricultural bill today reached an agreement which saves the appropriation for the forest air patrol at \$50,000, a reduction of \$10,000 under the senate bill. The house conferees contested any appropriation for forest patrol and Senator McNary, who championed this amendment on the senate side, finally accepted the reduced figures, coupled with a proviso that none of these moneys shall be used for purchase of land or airplanes or the erection of buildings. The airplanes and aviators will be supplied under the army reorganization bill and it will be possible this season to carry out an old plan for Northwest patrol, which includes bases at Medford, Eugene and LaGrande. The conference also agreed on \$125,000 for the protection of forests under the Weeks' law, an increase of \$50,000 over the house figures.

9 MEN, 31 QUARTS OF SCOTCH ARE NABBED

PORTLAND, Ore., May 12.—Nine men and 31 quarts of genuine Scotch whiskey were taken into custody by the police late last night near one of the Portland municipal terminals. The police believe that the liquor was obtained from a Japanese steamer docked at the terminal. Customs officials do not permit the police to search trans-Pacific steamers for contraband liquor. Three of the men arrested were Japanese.

FIRST BREAK IN FLOUR MARKET THREE MONTHS

MINNEAPOLIS, May 12.—The first break in the flour market here since the latter part of February occurred today when standard flour declined fifty cents a barrel to \$15.75. Since February 21, when flour sold for \$13.25 a barrel in 98-pound cotton sacks in earload lots, it has made steady increases of 25 to 50c a barrel. A quiet flour market with weaker wheat prices is responsible for today's decreased price.

MASS MEETING WELLEN DISTRICT SATURDAY

A mass meeting will be held at the Liberty school house in the Wellen district next Saturday noon by the people of the Liberty, Black Oak and Antelope school districts to consider the question of consolidating the three districts into one for economic and teaching reasons. Road improvement matters will also be discussed. A free lunch will be served at noon to the large gathering expected and any one interested in schools and good roads is invited to attend. The political candidate all slicked up and wearing their most genial manners are expected to be present in full force.

CARRANZA IS NOW FIGHTING FOR HIS LIFE

Deposed President With 4000 Loyal Soldiers Surrounded by Rebel Forces Is Making Last Stand—General Trevino Rushing Aid—Cabrera Reaches U. S. A.

MEXICO CITY, May 10.—(By the Associated Press)—General Jacinto Trevino left Mexico City Sunday night at 10 o'clock for Avizco in the state of Puebla to save the life of President Carranza.

The presidential train was reported surrounded by the forces of General Reyes Marquez. Fighting between the troops accompanying the fleeing president and revolutionary soldiers was reported as having been raging for some time. According to reports reaching here three hundred Carranzistas had already been killed.

WASHINGTON, May 12.—Luis Cabrera, finance minister in Carranza's cabinet, has reached the United States, after departing from Mexico City secretly and without notifying President Carranza, according to information received here today by radio from Mexico City via Sonora.

VERA CRUZ, May 11.—(By the Associated Press)—President Venustiano Carranza's army of four thousand men, virtually surrounded by rebel forces commanded by Generals Hill and Trevino, is making a determined stand in a strong position between San Marcos, Puebla, and the village of Humantla, ten miles northwest of the state of Tlaxcala, according to advices received here. The struggle went on all day today and according to the latest reports the Carranza forces had not been dislodged.

Rebel reinforcements under command of General Porras have been ordered in from Cordoba, and have taken up positions at San Andres and Chalchicomula, southeast of the scene of today's battle, probably for the purpose of preventing the escape of Carranza, should he succeed in breaking through the lines thrown around him. Reports state the Carranza forces are entrenched along the Mexican National railway.

General Canido Aguilar, son-in-law of President Carranza and governor of the state of Vera Cruz, has abandoned all chance of escape from the country in an effort to join his superior and share in his fate, says a dispatch to El Detamen. Emisaries from General Aguilar today conferred with General Sanchez's chief of staff and asked that their commander be permitted to pass through the rebel lines toward San Marcos. This request was granted, but it was stipulated General Aguilar must be accompanied only by his general staff and civilians.

Paul H. Foster, American consul here, has reported to the state department in Washington that conditions are returning to normal, that the lives and property of foreigners have not been molested and that there is no reason for retaining United States warships in Mexican waters, where they may cause friction.

Felix Diaz, leader of a rebel group in the state of Vera Cruz, has asked permission to leave the country, promising he will take no further part in political movements in Mexico. It is probable his request will be granted.

CORN MAKES NEW MARKET RECORD

CHICAGO, May 12.—Fresh strength developed in the corn market today, and the highest prices yet this season were touched by the May delivery. Opening quotations which ranged from quarter cent decline to five-cent gain with July \$1.75 1/4 to \$1.76 and September, \$1.62 1/4 to \$1.63 1/4 were followed by material upturns all around and then something of a setback. After opening unchanged to half cent higher, including July at 93 1/2c to 94c, oats continued firm. Provisions hardened a little with grain and hogs.

The condition of Ed G. Brown was about the same today and he will be taken to Portland on the evening train in charge of Dr. R. J. Conroy and nurses where an X-Ray picture of his fractured skull will be taken and he will be given special treatment.

VICTIM BLACK HAND HAS SUSPENDERS OF GOLD AND DIAMONDS

CHICAGO, May 12.—A black-hand plot or a labor war was responsible for the murder of James "Big Jim" Colosimo, proprietor of a famous Levee district cafe, in the main room of his restaurant yesterday, police believe. Police declared today that Colosimo's death was voted a decade ago by the Mafia, but for various reasons the murder was postponed from time to time. Colosimo's taste for diamonds was disclosed when police examined the clothing he wore at the time of the murder. On each garter clasp was three diamonds of a carat each. His suspender buckles were adorned with carat stones flanked by two of a half carat each while the elastic straps had been replaced by gold chains, closely woven. He wore a ring set with a seven carat stone.

AIR MAIL FROM N. Y. TO COAST IN FORTY-EIGHT HOURS

WASHINGTON, May 12.—The government air mail service will celebrate its second birthday anniversary Saturday, the operations of the past year having been marked with "phenomenal success," according to the postoffice department. Statistics for the entire year show an average performance of 87 per cent, including flights under most adverse conditions. The service was economical financially, as well as timesaving, the department announced, \$42,000 being saved on the Washington-New York route and \$100,000 between New York and Chicago.

"Until the trans-continental route is established and service actually begins from New York to San Francisco, the Chicago-Omaha route will be merely for the purpose of expediting the mail between Chicago and Omaha. When the New York-San Francisco route starts, however, mail leaving New York Monday morning will arrive in San Francisco by 9 o'clock Wednesday morning."

PORTLAND NURSE IS ATTACKED BY MAN

PORTLAND, May 12.—Miss Grace Evans, a nurse at the Portland Surgical hospital, reported to the police today that she had been attacked by an unknown man as she lay asleep in a tent on the hospital grounds early today. The nurse and the man grappled, according to the police, but the assailant escaped.

PALMER SETS MARGIN OF PROFIT ON SUGAR

BOSTON, May 12.—Attorney General Palmer who has set the margin of profit to be allowed on sales of sugar at one cent a pound for wholesalers and two cents a pound at retail, in a telegram to United States Attorney J. M. Boynton today ordered that steps be taken immediately to prosecute persons taking larger profits.

REPUBLICANS OUTNUMBER DEMOCRATS IN OREGON PRIMARY, OVER TWO TO ONE

SALEM, Ore., May 12.—Registration of voters in Oregon for the primary and special elections to be held on May 21 total 346,318, according to figures made public today by Sam A. Koser, assistant secretary of state. Of these 228,571 are classified as republicans and 93,405 democrats and 24,343 miscellaneous. The registrations under the head of miscellaneous include prohibitionists, socialists

JOHN BULL HYPNOTIZED U.S. ADMIRAL

Confidential Cablegram From President to Rear Admiral Sims Produced by Secy. Daniels—English Slowness and Panic of Admiralty Scored—Sims' Reply Placed Blind Reliance on Might of British Navy—Bliss Scored Sims.

WASHINGTON, May 12.—A confidential cablegram from President Wilson to Rear Admiral Sims in London, sent during the war, was read to the senate naval investigating committee today by Secretary Daniels.

"President Wilson's message to Sims follows: "From the beginning of the war, I have been greatly surprised at the failure of the British admiralty to use Great Britain's great naval superiority in an effective way. In the presence of the present submarine emergency they are helpless to the point of panic.

Every plan we suggest they reject for some reason of prudence. In my view this is not a time for prudence, but for boldness, even at the cost of great loss.

"In most of your dispatches you have quite properly advised us of the sort of aid and co-operation desired from us by the admiralty. The trouble is that their plans and methods do not seem to us efficacious. I would be very much obliged to you if you would report to me, confidentially of course, exactly what the admiralty has been doing and what they have accomplished and, added to the report your own comments and suggestions, based upon independent thought of the whole situation, without regard to the judgments of any one on that side of the water.

British Too Slow

The admiralty was very slow to adopt the protection of convoys and it is not now, I judge protecting convoys on adequate scale within the danger zone, seeming to keep small craft with the grand fleet. The absence of craft for convoy is even more apparent on the French coast than on the English coast and in the channel. I do not see how the necessary military supplies and supplies of food and fuel oil are to be delivered at British ports in any other way within the next few months than under adequate convoy. There will presently not be ships or tankers enough and our shipbuilding may not begin to yield important results in less than eighteen months.

"I believe that you will keep these instructions absolutely and entirely to yourself and that you will give me such advice as you would give if you were handling and if you were running a navy of your own."

Considered Pro-British

Mr. Daniels also read a letter from Admiral Sims to former Ambassador Pace at London, written August 7, 1917, which in part said:

"In this connection I have a suggestion to make. I have received word practically directly from the president that he was much displeased with my reply to his cablegram; that it did not change his opinion at all; that he regards me as owned by the admiralty and so pro-British that he seriously considered the advisability of replacing me by some other officer."

Admiral Sims' reply to the president told also of plans for a combined sea and land attack to turn the German right flank and cut off Zebrugga as a provisioning base, Mr. Daniels said.

"That was the kind of bold and audacious thing the president and the navy department had been urging."

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INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC CLOSES UP ALASKA TOWNS; 40 DEAD AT NENANA

KETCHIKAN, Alaska, May 12.—A special to the Chronicle from Fairbanks says all communication between Fairbanks and Nenana was suspended at 3:30 Tuesday afternoon. Forty are reported dead of influenza at Nenana, including Herman Rosberg, Ralph Waehter, Ed Harbor, Bob Smith, Phil Lanahan, Jack Forrest, Dominick, one colored man, one Serbian, sixteen natives and Mrs. M. J. Cooney, Lottie Cavanaugh, Mrs. Bennett, Mrs. Pat Sarroll, Mrs. Bert Johnson and Mrs. Joe O'Connor, the death list in Fairbanks numbers 12. Only two new cases were reported in Fairbanks Tuesday morning. Three natives of an India village below Chena are reported to have fallen victims to the influenza epidemic. The telegraph office at Nenana, which has been closed on account of the scourge, was reopened today and an accumulation of business is being cleared up by a reduced force.