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WAR ALARM IN AUSTRIA IS SOUNDED

Sir William Goode, British Member Reparation Commission Warns Allies of Impending Outbreak—Aid to Austria Imperative—Bolshevik Plan Coup.

PARIS, Jan. 14.—Sir William Goode, British member of the Austrian section of the reparations commission, at a luncheon today spoke freely on the situation in Austria.

"Three eventualities must be considered as a consequence of the prospective collapse of Austria," Sir William said in part. They are:

"An attempt on the part of the Austrian provinces to join Germany; partition of the Austrian provinces among the adjoining states, not excluding Germany, or a communist or bolshevik reign of terror.

"My opinion is that it is unthinkable that the allies could permit Germany to extend her empire to the borders of the Adriatic."

"A rumor is current in Austria," he said, "that Hungarian forces, regular or irregular, would advance upon Vienna on the pretense of preventing the ancient capital falling into the hands of the Czechs. In that case no one in Austria would be surprised if the Czechs attempted by force to forestall the occupation of Vienna."

"I do not wish to appear to be an alarmist," said Sir William, "but if the allies can hold out no prospect of means for continued existence, then I fear we must be prepared for an outbreak that would be beyond the control of any authority that might be left to Austria. It is common knowledge that the bolsheviks have made elaborate preparations to utilize Vienna as a center of activity and propaganda. They expect their campaign in this part of the world will synchronize with the disappearance of the central government of Austria and spread thence to every country of Europe."

VON REVENTLOW PAPER ORDERED SUSPENDED

COBLENZ, Jan. 15.—The inter-allied Rhineland commission has suppressed the weekly publication of Count Ernest von Reventlow, former chief editorial writer of the Tages Zeitung of Berlin, for three months. It has also forbidden sale in the occupied area of two brochures entitled "The Horror on the Rhine," and "The Black Pest in Europe," published by an English pacifist.

S. LANGFORD SCORES ANOTHER KNOCKOUT

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 15.—Sam Langford, Boston colored heavyweight, scored a technical knockout over Bob Devere of Kansas City in the seventh round of a scheduled ten-round bout here last night. Early in the final round Langford put Devere down for the count of nine and just as the bell ended the round, Devere's seconds tossed in the sponge.

MISS ANNIE MORGAN "CRAZY" ABOUT LEONARD-MITCHELL FIGHT, WHICH THE CHAMPION WINS

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—The American committee for devastated France today announced it had realized \$90,000 from its management of the boxing bout last night in which Benny Leonard, lightweight champion, scored a technical knockout over Ritchie Mitchell in the sixth round.

The gate receipts amounted to \$150,000, the largest in the history of lightweight boxing, of which \$40,000 went to Leonard and \$20,000 to Mitchell. The crowd of about 14,000 was made up not only of the usual quota of flustered fans but a galaxy of society folk wearing glittering starched shirts and evening gowns. Miss Annie Morgan, chairman of the committee, who was given

Use Rat Poison for Husband, Hen House For a Post Office

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—A package of rat poison, which Sheriff Len D. Spaulding of Bureau county, Illinois, is bringing to Chicago will be analyzed to determine whether it contains poisons similar to those found last December in the viscera of Harry W. Pierson, a prosperous farmer of Princeton, Ill.

The farmer's widow, Mrs. Selma Nordstrom Pierson, mother of two children, and Arthur Shipp, a returned soldier, formerly employed on the Pierson farm, have been indicted on charges of murder in connection with Pierson's death. At the inquest they are said to have confessed a love affair.

Shipp admitted that he fell in love with her while employed on the Pierson farm last summer. He and Mrs. Pierson had carried on correspondence using the hen house as a postoffice.

START ATTACK ON JUDGE LANDIS AS BASEBALL JURIST

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—A petition protesting against the employment of Judge K. M. Landis as national baseball commissioner has been prepared by Thomas J. Sutherland, a Chicago lawyer and sent to members of congress from Illinois, it was learned today.

In a letter to Chicago newspapers Mr. Sutherland is said to have urged that they "comprehend the importance of this petition, as well as to the immediate necessity of this attempt to indict the government, and also to set an example of vicious infidelity to public service."

The petition demands action relative to Judge Landis serving both as a judge and an agent of the baseball commission.

'SHADOW' CROOK GETS LADD'S GOAT

PORTLAND, Jan. 14.—Reward of \$1000 for "Shadow," dead or alive, was announced today by Mayor George L. Baker, who as acting chief of police is directing the search for the person who has written threatening letters and who has engaged in gun fights with officers.

Heavily armed police are maintaining guard over the homes and property of those who have defied "Shadow's" threats.

J. Wesley Ladd, banker, who received threatening letters from "Shadow," today was reported to have left Portland, and his destination was not announced.

Ben Selling, merchant, who received a threatening letter, called a detective into conference at noon today.

Borney Gets D. S. O. WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—E. M. Baruch former head of the war industry board and one of the framers of the economic clauses of the peace treaty, was decorated yesterday with the distinguished service medal by Secretary Baker.

EMERGENCY TARIFF BILL COMPLETED

Senate Finance Committee Approves of Fordney Measure With Seven Amendments—Heavy Tariff on Sugar, Apples, Cherries and Dairy Products.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—With ten amendments added, the house emergency tariff bill was approved today by the senate finance committee. It will be reported to the senate Monday.

There was no record vote on any of the seven amendments which were added to the bill in today's meeting, although Senator Simmons, democrat, North Carolina, said the democrats "generally voted against everything."

One of the amendments agreed to yesterday, that placing a duty on certain dairy products was changed today, a higher rate being accepted.

Amendments accepted today included: Sugar \$2.33 per hundred pounds, until the retail price reaches ten cents a pound.

Frozen meats of all kinds, two cents a pound; all other meats 25 per cent ad valorem.

Apples 20 cents a box; cherries four cents a pound.

Tobacco, Sumatra wrappers and fillers, \$2.85 per pound; stemmed Sumatra, \$3.50 per pound.

Butter and cheese and their substitutes, eight cents a pound instead of six cents, provided in an amendment accepted yesterday.

The length of long staple cotton on which the tariff will be effective was reduced from 1 3/8 inches to 1 1/8 inches, the duty remaining at seven cents a pound as the bill passed the house.

Cattle and sheep to be used for breeding purposes were exempted from the duty on imported animals.

Rice to be used in manufacture of canned goods was exempted from the tariff of two cents a pound levied in the house bill.

Attempts of several opponents of the bill to load it down with extraneous subjects were unsuccessful.

In its tariff revision hearings today the house ways and means committee took up schedule D of the Underwood act, comprising wood and wood products.

John H. Kirby, Austin, Texas, president of the Southern Tariff association, asked the committee for a rate of fifteen per cent ad valorem on imported lumber, saying that such a tariff would yield \$6,000,000 annually in revenue and would not increase the lumber cost to American consumers.

Dist. Attorneys Pass Blue Law Resolution Over Moore's Protest

PORTLAND, Jan. 15.—Over the protest of Rawles Moore, district attorney for Jackson county, district attorneys of Oregon in convention here voted to adopt a policy which will mean the suppression of punch board operation in the state. Moore declared he believed the punch board to be a harmless sort of diversion.

DECLARES FUTURE MARKET ESSENTIAL TO GRAIN GROWER

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—Legislation restricting speculative transactions and "hedging" in the grain trade would upset the whole machinery of grain distribution and open the way to domination by a few powerful interests, B. L. Hargis, president of the Kansas City Board of Trade, today told the house agriculture committee considering legislation to regulate grain exchanges.

Conceding the advantages of the "hedging practice," he said the grain speculator or the dealer in futures must be recognized as an indispensable cog in the machinery of grain distribution.

Declaring the present system of grain trading not only did not reduce the farmer's profits, but offered him the indispensable advantage of being able to market his grain in the absence of actual consumption demand, Mr. Hargis charged that "certain of our southwestern millers," in urging before the committee the abolition of futures trading were not "actuated by altogether altruistic motives."

BORAH RESOLUTION FOR DISARMAMENT PASSES THE HOUSE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—The joint resolution requesting President Wilson to call a conference of the nations of the world to consider universal disarmament was approved today by the house foreign affairs committee without a dissenting vote.

The committee rejected 9 to 2, an amendment by Representative Mason, republican, Illinois, that invitations to participate in the conference be extended to Ireland and the Philippines.

Although the democrats on the committee voted to report the resolution to the house they questioned the propriety of requesting President Wilson to act on the eve of his departure from office.

The vote was taken after Chairman Porter had explained that it was the purpose to have the resolution ready for Mr. Harding and that nobody had a thought of causing embarrassment to Mr. Wilson.

Smoot Would Stop Even President From Smoking in W. House

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—The president and even senators and representatives might have to take to the streets to enjoy cigar, cigarette or a pipe as an aid to statesmanlike reflection if a bill offered today by Senator Smoot, becomes a law. It forbids smoking in government departments or "any independent establishment of the government" as a fire prevention measure and its language was held to include the White House and capitol.

A recent fire which destroyed census bureau records, attributed to a cigarette, prompted the Utah senator's proposal.

BRIAND WILL TRY TO FORM NEW CABINET

Former War Premier Agrees to Attempt New French Ministry When Raoul Peret Fails—Latter's Failure Said to Be Due to Ex-President Poincare's Stand.

PARIS, Jan. 15.—(By the Associated Press)—Aristide Briand, former premier, agreed this evening to attempt the formation of a cabinet in succession to the ministry, which resigned Wednesday.

PARIS, Jan. 15.—Raoul Peret, who was asked yesterday to head a new ministry of France in succession to the one which resigned Wednesday, appeared before President Millerand today and declined to form the cabinet.

Difficulties encountered yesterday by M. Peret, were of a most discouraging nature. At the end of the day he had almost decided to give up the task, but decided to resume work today. His last effort was without success.

The Figaro, which represents a certain body of opinion, asserted today that the only reasonable solution of the crisis was the choice of M. Poincare of premier, who would direct the policy of France as a whole, with a foreign minister of his own selection.

M. Peret's failure to create a ministry was due largely to the refusal of former President Poincare to enter the combination except under conditions that made it difficult for M. Peret to carry out his program.

PAN-AMERICAN LABOR CONDEMNS DOMINGO POLICY

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 15.—(By the Associated Press)—Delegates to the congress of the Pan-American Federation of Labor met today determined to act promptly on all reports submitted by the resolutions committee, select the city where the next meeting will be held, elect officers and conclude the deliberations of the present session.

It seemed probable that Samuel Gompers would be re-elected president of the federation.

A long resolution was introduced by Jose Kuhnhardt, a San Domingo delegate, declaring the presence of American forces in that island had bridged civil, industrial and political rights of San Domingans, and cited specific instances of alleged military misrule. It asserted that the right of workers to strike had been denied and that unjust sentences to prison had been imposed.

The resolution concluded by directing the president of the federation to send a telegram to President Wilson, the president of the United States senate, and speaker of the house of representatives, "demanding immediate relief for the people of San Domingo."

OH! DEATH, WHERE IS THY STING?

ZION CITY, Ill., Jan. 15.—Wilbur Glen Voliva, overseer of the Christian Catholic church in Zion, today issued advance sheets on a "hand book and guide to hell."

"Every sinner is going to be punished with an overdose of his own sin," he declared. A tobacco smoker will be locked up in a den full of tobacco smoke. A chewer of the filthy weed will be immersed in his neck in a vat of tobacco juice. The drinker will pass his term of tribulation in a natarium filled with beer, wine and whiskey.

Liberty Bonds - NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—Liberty bonds closed: 3 1/2's 92.30; first 4's \$6.50 bid; second 4's \$7.00; first 4 1/2's \$7.50; second 4 1/2's \$7.12; third 4 1/2's 90.30; fourth 4 1/2's \$7.22; Victory 3 1/2's 97.20; Victory 4 1/2's 97.24.

Acceptance of Glass of Hooch From Host Not a Law Violation

OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 15.—Acceptance of a glass of liquor for the purpose of immediately drinking it at the express invitation of the owner, is not illegal possession of liquor within the meaning of the Washington prohibition statute, the state supreme court held in a decision handed down today, reversing the conviction of Benny Jones in the Snohomish county superior court.

HOME BREAKER ARRESTED ON A LARCENY CHARGE

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—Pierre Paul Author, Highland Park chemist, who eloped with Mrs. Phillip Franzen of Madison, Wis., several weeks ago, was arrested today on the warrant charging larceny, sworn out by the woman's husband. Author waived extradition rights and said he would willing go to Madison and prove his innocence.

Author, who had been living in a hotel with his wife and child, with whom he had been reconciled after police found him and Mrs. Franzen in St. Louis, expressed surprise at the arrest.

"I can easily disprove this larceny charge," Author said. "Mr. Franzen and I talked amicably for two hours the night Mrs. Franzen and I left Madison and we parted on the best of terms. Mr. Franzen gave his wife a check for \$100 to help defray her expenses and to clear all claims she might make upon him. Mrs. Franzen cashed that check herself."

MISSISSIPPI JUDGE IS KILLED IN HIS BED

MERIDIAN, Miss., Jan. 15.—The police were today without a clue in the murder yesterday of Judge Moody C. Price, former United States commissioner here.

Judge Price was killed with an axe as he lay in bed beside his wife, ten blows having been dealt him by two intruders apparently bent on robbery. Mrs. Price, who also was struck one blow with the axe when she awakened and screamed, was not dangerously wounded.

SPARTANBURG, S. C., Jan. 15.—Commander Eva Booth of the Salvation Army, who became ill here last night and was unable to fill a lecture engagement, was sufficiently improved today to leave for Greenville, S. C., though still very weak.

MINISTERS GLASS OF MILK BREAKS 48 DAY FAST OF WOMAN RELIGIOUS FANATIC

DANVILLE, Ill., Jan. 15.—Mrs. Ernest S. Harrington, who claimed to have been fasting for 48 days to influence her husband to join a church, ended her hunger strike today upon being advised by the Rev. G. S. Payne, of El Dorado, Ill., to take food.

The woman immediately consented and drank a glass of milk in the presence of the minister. She then said she felt better and would not resume her fast.

Ernest S. Harrington, the woman's husband for whom she declared she suffered the strike, says his wife has seen the error of her way and is willing to resume her daily routine of life. He says he has not joined the church and will not do so until he gets ready. Mrs. Harrington is not expected to suffer any ill effects from breaking her fast. Many physicians believed

CALL GEDDES HOME FOR A CONFERENCE

British Ambassador Leaves N. Y. for Meeting With Lloyd George—American Tariff and Mexican Policy Are Probable Subjects for Serious Consideration.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—Sir Auckland Geddes, British ambassador, sailed for England today for a conference with Premier Lloyd George and Earl Curzon, British secretary of state for foreign affairs, it was announced at the British embassy. He expects to return in February.

During his absence R. Leslie Craigie, first secretary of the embassy, will act as ambassador.

The departure of Sir Auckland will delay the negotiations as to funding the British debt to America into long time loans. Another of the most important questions pending between the American and British governments is that of naval oil supplies.

Pending and prospective tariff legislation by congress also is known to be a subject in which Great Britain and most of her dominions are vitally interested.

Another question now occupying the British government is that of the treatment accorded the property of its citizens in Mexico, especially those holding oil and mineral lands.

Suggestions that the ambassador was called home in connection with the action of Secretary Craigie in writing to Chairman Kellogg of the senate committee investigating cable communications, denying testimony of witnesses that British authorities imposed a cable censorship found no support in official circles.

Sir Auckland was appointed ambassador to the United States March 1, 1919.

WAR FINANCE CORP READY TO FUNCTION

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—The war finance corporation, revived by an act of congress, which was passed over President Wilson's veto, is now functioning. It was announced today that it was prepared to consider applications for loans to finance exports in the same manner that it considered advances prior to the suspension of its activities last May.

CHICK EVANS INVOLVED IN BOOZE PURCHASE

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—Chick Evans, national amateur golf champion, was ordered by Federal Judge Landis today to explain an affidavit he filed in connection with a liquor raid on the Green Mill Gardens, New Year's eve. Evans, a brother of Eliot H. Evans, an assistant to the federal prohibition director, made affidavit, it is said, that a pint of liquor was sold to him, but the management alleges that the beverage was given him by a friend.

she had not been abstaining from food more than a week at most. Plans to take Mrs. Harrington into custody on a warrant charging insanity and to have the grand jury investigate the activities of religious enthusiasts who have encouraged the woman in her so-called fast, had left her virtually alone.

Harrington said he was glad his wife had decided to end "her foolishness." Mrs. Harrington paved the way Tuesday for the ending of her fast, saying she had had "a second vision" in which God had told her not to yield but to keep up her strike. She then said she would keep it up "until God advised her to quit."

Harrington positively refused to join a church and holds fast to his reiterated "I'll be damned if I give in to her."