

Wilson-Congressional Dispute Is Unchanged

Conference With Leaders Fails to Break the Tie-Up

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The difference of opinion between the president and members of the two houses of congress over the right of Americans to take passage on armed merchantmen, in the face of Germany's decree that these will be torpedoed without warning after March 1, is still unchanged. Both sides are determined, and a compromise is not looked for at present.

Speaker Champ Clark and Congressmen Flood and Kitchin conferred with Wilson this morning. After an hour's session, they were still disagreed over the question.

A two-hour session of the cabinet was held to consider the matter. The members are solidly behind Wilson, who is determined not to close the Lusitania incident while the armed merchantmen decree threaten to invalidate previous German promises.

In the senate Gore introduced a bill making it illegal for Americans to travel upon armed vessels of belligerent nations in time of war, and a resolution warning Americans to keep off such ships.

These were tabled, as was the resolution of Jones, requesting the president not to sever relations with any country, or place America in a position where she could not avoid war without honor.

Chairman Stone of the senate foreign committee states that he does not credit reports that Germany will postpone the date of activity from March 1 to April 1.

Speaker Clark told Wilson this forenoon that the house is overwhelmingly in favor of warning Americans to keep off armed ships. In reply, Wilson declared emphatically that he would not budge from his plan of insisting that Germany fully recognize every American right.

"The president stands upon a letter he wrote Senator Stone," said Clark. "I think the whole matter will remain in status quo. I informed Wilson that the house is in favor of issuing a warning by two to one at least."

Clark today stated that he had heard Germany intended to postpone the operation of her decree until April.

Doc Cook's Wild Man of Borneo



Here is Doc Cook's wild man of Borneo, who he found on his recent trip to that wild land. The doctor took many photographs, but most of them were spoiled on the long trip back. This wild man, the doctor says, is a fair specimen of the savages he found there.

WIFE SEES HER HUSBAND KILLED

WHILE HORRIFIED WOMAN IS LOOKING ON, BURGLAR STABS SAN JOSE MAN FIVE TIMES IN VICTIM'S HOME

United Press Service SAN JOSE, Feb. 25.—George A. Jones, aged 70, a wealthy retired banker, well known throughout the Santa Clara valley, was murdered at 8 o'clock this morning by a burglar he surprised in the kitchen of his palatial home.

His aged wife, hearing a noise, thought her husband was a victim of somnambulism. Going to investigate, she found her husband struggling with the burglar, who plunged a knife five times into Jones' neck and body while Mrs. Jones watched, frozen with fear.

Jones' jugular vein was severed, and his nose slit almost to his mouth. A trail of blood indicates that the burglar was wounded before he fled.

FLETCHER IS NOW THE MINISTER TO MEXICO

United Press Service WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The senate today confirmed President Wilson's nomination of Henry Fletcher as United States ambassador to Mexico.

For a while it was thought that a fight against Fletcher would be made. The difficulty was apparently settled before the vote was taken today.

About 10 per cent of the people of the world speak English.

ENLARGE COAST NAVY YARDS IS WINSLOW'S PLAN

TRANSFER OF RESERVE FLEET NOT APPROVED

Following Stephens' speech on the defencelessness of the Pacific Coast, owing to the Panama Canal's impassability, so much of the time Navy Men talk of better Western Fleet.

United Press Service

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Better naval protection for the Pacific Coast is receiving serious attention, following the recent speech of Congressman Stephens of California, in which he pointed out the defencelessness of the coast, owing to the obsolete vessels in Pacific waters, and the fact that frequent slides in the Panama canal make it impossible for large ships to pass through from the Atlantic.

Stephens today before the naval committee suggested the transfer of the best ships of the Atlantic reserve fleet to the Pacific.

Admiral Winslow, however, held it to be inadvisable at present. He urged the enlarging of the coast's navy yard facilities.

Winslow favored the better preparation of Puget Sound navy yard. He questioned whether Mare island would ever make a first class navy yard.

TRAIN ROBBERS MAKE BIG HAUL

OVER SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS' WORTH OF VALUABLES FROM TACOMA ALONE TAKEN FROM NORTH COAST LIMITED

TACOMA, Feb. 25.—It is learned today that over \$6,000 worth of negotiable paper and registered mail sent from Tacoma alone, was taken by the bandits who held up the North Coast Limited last night. One man alone sent \$4,600 in negotiable paper on that train.

The sheriff's office heard today that losses have the robbers located in Maple Valley. Bloodhounds were sent there to aid in the work of tracking them down.

WILLARD WILL START TRAINING

CHAMP TELLS FANS HE'LL BEAT MORAN AS SOON AS HE CAN. CROWD OF FANS MEET HIM TODAY

United Press Service NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Jess Willard arrived today to begin training for his ten-round bout with Frank Moran late in March. A large crowd of fight fans met him at the station and cheered him. "I will beat Moran just as quickly as I can," said Willard. "I begin real hard training tomorrow."

Man Who Tried to Poison Archbishop Sends Finger Prints to New York Police

(CRONES FINGER PRINTS.)



Jean Cronos, the anarchist who put poison in the food served at the banquet at the University Club of Chicago, given to Archbishop Mundelein, has startled the New York and Chicago police by writing letters to a New York newspaper. His latest exploit was to send a long letter containing crude finger prints in a letter

SKI PARTIES GO TO CRATER LAKE

PARK RANGER MOMYER REPORTS THE SNOW IS SOMEWHAT LIGHTER NOW THAN IT WAS LAST SPRING

Snow in Crater Lake Park is melting fast, and there is not quite as great a depth now as there was last year, according to word received from Park Ranger H. E. Momyer, who is now stationed in the park. Unless severe weather sets in the park will be open to auto travel earlier than last year. Several parties in skis and snowshoes have gone into the park from the Fort Klamath section, according to Momyer. Five parties, each of three people, and one party of six have already made the trip from this side. The snow is said to be unusually deep on the Medford side this year.

UNPAVED STREETS BEING LEVELLED

CITY HAS MEN AND TEAMS AT WORK DRAGGING THE STREETS WHILE DIRT IS IN CONDITION FOR WORKING

Taking advantage of the present condition of the ground, the city has men and teams employed in dragging and grading the unpaved streets of Klamath Falls. As a result, chuck holes and ruts developed during the winter months are being eliminated, and the streets are getting into good shape for all kinds of travel.

Oenka is the greatest Japanese toy making city. Tokio is next.

COLLIERS PAID BRANDEIS FEE

WITNESS TELLS JUDICIARY BODY THAT MAGAZINE PAID ATTORNEY \$25,000 FOR WORK IN THE BALLINGER CASE

United Press Service WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Mark Sullivan, testifying in the Brandeis hearings before the sub-committee of the state judiciary committee, stated that Colliers paid Brandeis \$25,000 for work in the Ballinger-Pinchot controversy.

This fee covered services for five months, according to Sullivan.

The dollar sign came from the letters "U. S." in monogram.

Lumber Prospects Best in Years, Says Johnson

Lumbermen have reason to expect the most prosperous season in years, according to Robert A. Johnson, head of the Klamath Manufacturing Co., who is here from San Francisco on business. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson will leave in a few days for Honolulu, and upon their return, will reside in this city. "There is a material increase in the demand for upper grades of lumber, and the prices offered are \$5 to \$6 per thousand feet better than they were in the fall," said Johnson. "In the past few days, I have received telegraphic inquiries for five carloads, at \$5 to \$6 more than was offered a few months ago. "It is the same all over the coast. The lumbermen are most optimistic, and none are attempting to sell ahead, and in this way, keeping in position to get the top prices, which they do not believe are reached as yet. "In the box lumber, there is every reason to look for an over production, owing to the desire of all millmen to get out as much upper grade lumber as possible for eastern shipments. The demand for box shooks is of course regulated largely by the fruit crop conditions on the coast, but even if there is no increased demand or price for box shooks, the good demand for the upper grades will offset this fact, and make general conditions the best in years."

VERDUN FIGHTING SLACKENS, AFTER BLOODY CHARGES

GERMANS CLAIM MORE CAPTURES THERE

Losses by Both French and German Armies Are Admitted by Commanders to Be Large—Germans Claim the Capture of Ten Thousand French Soldiers—German Raider O South American Coast.

United Press Service

PARIS, Feb. 25.—Today's communique states that the German offensive, which has been raging around Verdun for several days, is slackening. There were no attacks last night and the artillery action is less violent.

The French artillery is holding its own along a twenty-five mile front. Although French positions have been lost, German positions of sufficient importance to offset these losses have been taken.

Both sides lost heavily, according to the commanders of the French troops engaged in the fight.

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BERLIN, Feb. 25.—It is announced officially that the Germans captured six fortified French villages near Verdun yesterday.

These include Champ Neuville, Colette, Marmont, Chambrette and Ornes.

It is asserted that the French losses have been heavy. The German losses, says the statement, are "only what were expected."

Ten thousand French prisoners have been taken thus far in the engagement around Verdun.

United Press Service

TENERIFFE, Feb. 25.—The German cruiser Moewe was raiding British commerce off the South American coast between January 16 and February 9, according to the captain of one of the Moewe's victims, who arrived today.

GERMAN VESSELS ARE SEIZED BY PORTUGAL

United Press Service LISBON, Feb. 25.—The Portuguese government today ordered the seizure of eight German steamers in St. Vincent harbor.

These are to be held for transport service if so needed.

Reservation Opening Is Considered by Indians

Local work toward the throwing open of the Klamath Indian Reservation, after the allotment of land to all of the Indians, has resulted in the matter getting before the Klamath Tribal council. The question of a movement on the part of the Indians was debated for nearly three days by the council members this week. No decision was reached regarding the attitude of the Indians. While a majority are heartily in favor of the proposition, it was deemed advisable to discuss the matter further with the individual tribesmen and take the matter up again at a later council session. Clayton Kirk and Joe Ball, two

members of the council, were here to discuss the matter with Captain J. W. Siemens and other members of the Commercial Club who are working for the opening. Superintendent Freer, Forester Bedford and Indian Farmer McKean were also here and discussed the matter with local people.

The opening of the Klamath reservation is considered of prime importance to Klamath. A great deal of our prospects for the early coming of the Straborn railroad depends upon the settlement of this matter, and the opening of the reservation will mean a material increase in the area of taxable land in Klamath county, thereby making a reduction in the tax levy.