

# German Envoy Expecting Passports Bernstorff in Gloom; Ready to Leave America

## FEW GERMANS THINK AMERICA WILL FIGHT

### GERMAN SENDS SPECIAL WIRE ON GERMAN VIEW

Foreign Correspondent Says Germany Thinks New Submarine Order Will Force England to Ask for Peace, Because of Blockade of British Isles—Blockade Order Has Killed Tauton Empire.

BERLIN, Feb. 2.—(Special to all the Press Papers, from Carl W. German, United Press correspondent in Berlin)—Few Germans believe America will declare war. The belief is, rather, that England will be compelled to make peace because of the blockade of the British Isles by German submarines. The announcement by the government of a blockade order has erased political differences in the German empire, united all factions. Germany is convinced that the new marine policy will end the war sooner.

## RS. WATTENBURG TO VISIT LODGES

### REBEKAH LODGES IN WESTERN OREGON AND AROUND PORTLAND

visit about 95 Rebekah Lodges in the Willamette Valley and Portland. Mrs. R. E. Wattenburg, president of the Rebekah Assembly of Portland, left this morning. Mrs. Wattenburg expects to be gone about a month. A few weeks ago she returned from a visit of 103 lodges in Oregon.

## Five Cents Each for Rabbit Skins

Eastern Firm Has Asked R. A. Ward to Pay This Price for Sample Shipment—Equal 40 Cents Pound

Five cents for every skin. This is the price that will be paid for jackrabbit skins that have been stretched and delivered to the office of H. R. Ward, county agricultural agent. R. A. Ward, assistant in the biological survey, has been asked by an eastern furrier house to collect a quantity of skins and ship them to a factory for testing. Mr. Ward

## GHETTO DISTRICT STRUCK BY FIRE; 40 ARE VICTIMS

### HUNDREDS FORCED INTO FOUR BELOW WEATHER

Water From Fire Hose Freezes Into Ice Soon, Covering All It Strikes With Ice—Bodies Are Recovered Half Frozen From Debris, Which Formed Into Ice-Encased Tomb. Survivors Suffer Severely.

CHICAGO, Feb. 2.—An explosion and fire destroyed the tenement ghetto district this morning. It is believed forty lives were lost.

Hundreds of tenement dwellers scantly clad were forced into the streets with the temperature four below zero.

Firemen are clearing away the wreckage of ice. When some of the debris was removed the firemen discovered a woman, still living, but blue from the cold.

Water from the firemen's hose froze rapidly, forming a heavy coating of ice on all it struck.

This afternoon five persons were taken alive from an ice-encased tomb. One was a little girl, who died on the way to the hospital. All are badly frozen, and their recovery is doubtful.

Reprisals May Follow LONDON, Feb. 2.—The British foreign office has asked America to inform Germany that reprisals will follow if Germany sinks any hospital ships, as was threatened in her recent declaration.

## ALIEN LAND LAW IN OREGON SENATE IS WITHDRAWN

### FATHER OF BILL WON'T ADD TO BURDEN

Japanese Government Much Opposed to Alien Land Laws, Secretary of State Lansing Tells Senator Borah. Fate of Idaho Law Is Undecided. Borah Declares Measure Not Aimed at Japanese.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 2.—Robert Lansing, secretary of state, told Senator Borah of Idaho this afternoon that Japan disapproves of the proposed Idaho and Oregon alien land laws. Senator Borah declares that the laws are not aimed particularly at or against Japanese, but against all aliens.

Counselor Polk yesterday appealed to the Oregon and Idaho senators to use their influence to prevent passage of the laws.

Law Is Withdrawn SALEM, Feb. 2.—Senator William this afternoon withdrew his bill prohibiting Japanese ownership of land in this state.

He declared since complications with Germany had arisen he was not willing to burden the national government further.

## BLIZZARD BLOCKS WYOMING TRAINS

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Feb. 2.—A severe blizzard again today blocked the Union Pacific trains between Laramie and Rawlins.

Eight trains are stalled at Rock River and others are held up elsewhere.

## Confers With the President



ROBERT LANSING Secretary of State WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 2.—Secretary of State Lansing stated at noon today that nothing had gone forward from America to Germany relative to the present crisis. President Wilson and Secretary of State Lansing were closeted all morning. They emerged with haggard faces.

## Mr. Whipple Smile at Stock Exchange Magnates' Confusion



On the first day of the house of representatives rules committee inquiry in New York city, Sherman L. Whipple of Boston, counsel for the committee, put on the grill Samuel F. Streit, chairman of the stock exchange clearing house, and Henry G. S. Noble, president of the New York stock exchange. He told them he wanted records of all deals on the exchange between December 10 and December 23, during which period the "leak" speculation is believed to have taken place. Shocked at the demand, these officials called a meeting of the board of governors at once, but Mr. Whipple just smiled. He smiled when he told them he was going to the bottom of stock speculation during the period.

## DUNBAR TO TAKE JOB ON HERALD

LOCAL BOY WHO HAS BEEN ATTENDING STATE UNIVERSITY WILL ASSUME CITY EDITORSHIP OF EVENING HERALD

Fred Dunbar, a graduate of the University of Oregon in the school of journalism, will arrive Sunday evening from Eugene, to take the position of city editor of the Herald.

Mr. Dunbar is a son of R. H. Dunbar, superintendent of the city schools of Klamath Falls. He finished from the local high school, and this week graduated from the University of Oregon with a bachelor of arts degree. While in Eugene he has been employed on the Morning Register.

Forrest Fell, who has been city editor of the Herald since last June, leaves tomorrow for Eugene to take Dunbar's place on the Morning Register and to resume his studies in the University of Oregon. He will enroll as a sophomore, majoring in journalism.

## ANOTHER HOUSE IS AFTER SKINS

JOSEPH BONDY'S SONS OF NEW YORK WANTS JACK RABBIT SKINS IN LARGE QUANTITIES, SAYS LETTER

Having seen in an Eastern newspaper an item saying Klamath farmers are seeking a market for jackrabbit skins, Joseph Bondy's Sons of New York has written to Klamath Commercial Club.

The firm says there is a good demand for furs of all kinds just now, and that it would like very much to receive information on the amount of jackrabbit skins which could be secured from Klamath county.

Was Sore Finger. O. W. Robertson, proprietor of Klamath Falls Steam Laundry, is suffering from blood poisoning in the finger. He injured the finger when laboring at his laundry recently.

## CABINET MEETS TO DISCUSS SITUATION

### REEDER KILLS RABID COYOTE DURING A FIT

#### SHOT ANIMAL WHILE IT SUFFERED FROM RABIES

Coyote Is Discovered by Small School Girl Near Fence—Apparently Was Too Sick to Fight or to Try to Escape—Upper Poe Valley Farmer Sees Another Peculiarly Acting Coyote on Dairy Road.

Another rabid coyote has been killed. U. E. Reeder, farmer of Pine Grove, yesterday morning shot the animal during one of its fits.

Mr. Reeder was informed by a school girl of the presence of the coyote by a fence. Mr. Reeder went to hunt the animal, and found it suffering from a fit. He shot it at once. The coyote had apparently been rolling around the spot for some time.

A mad coyote was seen today near the Chambers sawmill on the Olene Dairy road by A. W. Slover of Upper Poe Valley, according to telephone advice received by the Herald late this afternoon.

Here From Fort. R. E. Gordon of Fort Klamath is a county seat business visitor today. Mrs. C. I. Wenck of Fort Klamath is also in town today.

The ladies of the Christian church will hold a cooked food sale all day tomorrow at Klamath Falls Music House.

### RELATIONS BELIEVED AT THE BREAKING POINT

President Faces Most Critical Situation Since War Started—Plays Golf and Returns Smiling, But After Conference With Lansing Is Haggard—"Unexpected May Be Expected From President."

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 2.—President Woodrow Wilson today is struggling with the most serious situation America has faced since the European war started.

The cabinet convened this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in probably what will be the most historic meeting since the Spanish-American war.

Although it is felt in official circles that a break with Germany is inevitable, there is another feeling that the "unexpected" may be expected from the president.

After golfing this morning, the president appeared smiling. After a long conference with Secretary of state Lansing he looked haggard.

Some officials have openly expressed annoyance over the puzzling attitude of Count von Bernstorff, German ambassador. A studied gloom has surrounded the Teuton embassy since the first news of Germany's intention to throw aside all restrictions in submarine warfare.

It is admitted in German circles that von Bernstorff has "all but packed his trunks," and expects to get his passports in two days.

It is strongly hinted that America's announcement regarding Germany's communication will be forthcoming in the next twenty-four hours.

Return to Home. James Straw returned to his home-stead in the Odessa country today after a few days in Klamath Falls on business.

## Marshall is Head Loan Association

### Poe Valley Farmers Organize to Borrow Money From Government Under Federal Loan Act

A. L. Marshall was named president of the Poe Valley National Farm Loan Association at a meeting of the farmers of Poe Valley Wednesday. Frank Corpening was selected vice president and Glen Van Meter secretary and treasurer.

The directors of the association are the three above named officers and A. Kinney and Clarence Mitchell. The organization is temporary, but will be made permanent at the next meeting. The Poe Valley National Farm Loan Association was organized at the meeting Wednesday, after H. R. Glaisyer, county agricultural agent, had explained the workings of the federal farm loan act. Eleven farmers joined the association, but the membership is expected to be shortly increased to twenty. Secretary Van Meter has communicated with the newly organized federal bank at Spokane, from which the farmers expect to borrow several thousand dollars.