

GERMAN PLOT IS GENERAL

WILSON IS ILL; ORDER TO ARM IS EXPECTED SOON

Played Villa Against Carranza and America

SPREADS TO POSSESSIONS AND OTHER COUNTRIES

Slave Laborers to have been Used for Destructive Work on Panama Canal—Included Officers and Men of Peruvian Navy—Held on Pacific Allied Commerce Planned With Two Peruvian Submarines.

NEW YORK, March 8.—Federal authorities here today declared that Foreign Minister Zimmerman had complete knowledge of the plot in India, and said he directed that the same be given the plot.

A grand jury investigation is to be held.

LAREDO, Tex., March 8.—German money has been playing Villa against Carranza.

German interests have been sending money to Villa and inciting him to activity against America and General Carranza. At the same time German agents have been seeking to align Carranza against America.

Villa was approached on February 15th by German agents, who proposed that a renewal of the border raids be made. After a conference an agreement was reached. In case of war Villa was to send a small band of soldiers to operate at widely separated points along the American boundary.

Villa was promised a quarter of a million dollars, part of which was paid in advance.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 8.—The German plot recently uncovered in connection with Mexico and Japan also included scattered efforts in India, Guam, Philippines and South America, it is reported.

Hindu laborers were to be used in destructive work on the Panama canal, and the revelations also involve officers and men in the Peruvian navy in a plot to raid the allies' commerce on the Pacific, using two Peruvian submarines.

England discovered this part of the plot. A number of Peruvians and a German steamship agent have been arrested.

Comes in Pon

HAVANA, March 8.—General Gomez and staff officers arrived here today on a special train and in custody of a heavy guard. They were rushed to the penitentiary.

U. S. Ambassador Dead

PITTSBURG, March 8.—George Guthrie, United States ambassador to Japan, died today as the result of a stroke of apoplexy, word has been received here by relatives.

Open Bids Today

The county court opened the bids for the West Side road improvement this afternoon, and expected to let the contract for the work.

SINNOTT WORKING ON BIRD RESERVE

FINDS WHAT MAY BE FAULTY STEP IN DECLARING LOWER KLAMATH LAKE FEDERAL RESERVE—MAY ABOLISH IT

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 8.—Representative Sinnott is endeavoring to secure the exclusion of several thousand acres of reclamation land from federal bird reserves in Klamath county. He has placed before the departments the contention that these bird reserves cannot be upheld on such land under the reservations made by the state in ceding the land to the federal government.

His position is that the state ceded the lands for the purpose of reclamation, and that they cannot be dealt with except in accordance with the reclamation law. This phase of the matter apparently had escaped notice of the federal authorities, and an inquiry is under way as to the authority for placing such lands within the bird reserves.

This applies to the immense acreage of lands in the Lower Klamath Lake district, now a swamp, and which local parties are endeavoring to have taken out of the game reserve in order that it may be drained and cultivated.

The government reclamation service has investigated the drainage of this land to some extent, but the placing of the land in a reserve by President Roosevelt forestalled work being done.

It is believed now that by stopping the connecting canal between the Klamath River and the lake a large part of the lake and swamp will be drained through the shutting off of the water supply and by evaporation.

ELKS PLAN BIG TIME TONIGHT

CLASS OF CANDIDATES NUMBERING 18 WILL BE TAKEN OVER THE HOT AND BURNING SANDS AT B. P. O. E. TEMPLE TONIGHT

A big time is planned by the members of Klamath Falls Lodge No. 1247 B. P. O. Elks of this city for tonight, when a class of candidates numbering 18 will be initiated.

A number of special features are being prepared by the members of the lodge for the occasion, and the members of the lodge as well as the candidates are expecting to enjoy the occasion.

Two American Women Who Died in Laconia Disaster and Two Others Who Escaped



MRS. ALBERT HARRIS HOY MISS ELIZABETH HOY MRS. FRANK E. HARRIS MRS. HENRY G. BOSTON

Mrs. Albert Harris Hoy and her daughter, Miss Elizabeth Hoy, of Chicago and London, died from exposure in the open boat they took after the Laconia was torpedoed by a German submarine. Mrs. Frank E. Harris, wife of Lieutenant Colonel Harris of the United States army, lived heroically through the terrible night she spent in the boat, as did Mrs. Henry G. Boston, daughter of Granger Farwell of Chicago. Mrs. Boston's husband was a British subject, so despite her birth, that fact takes her from the protection of the United States authorities.

STATE OFFICER IS BACK HOME

MRS. R. E. WATTENBURG, STATE PRESIDENT OF THE REBEKAH ASSEMBLY, HAS COMPLETED OFFICIAL VISITS FOR A TIME

Mrs. R. E. Wattenburg, state president of the Rebekah Assembly of Oregon, returned home last night from her official trip to lodges over the state. On this trip she visited the lodges in Portland and lodges in all counties south of Portland.

On this visit and and one Mrs. Wattenburg made last summer she has called on 140 of the 199 lodges, 120 of the visits being official. She left home February 2d on her last trip. Usually the state president visits half the lodges, but Mrs. Wattenburg visited one-third more during her term of office.

Mrs. Wattenburg is a member of the school board, and prominent in library and social work in this city.

BREWERS GIVE VARIED PROGRAM

MRS. ELEANOR BREWER AND HER TWO DAUGHTERS APPEAR HERE SATURDAY NIGHT AT HOUSTON'S OPERA HOUSE

A varied program of violin, clarinet, trombone, piano and vocal solos, piano trios, musical talking sketches and readings, also orchestra selections, is given by the Brewers, the musical entertainers to be seen here Saturday night in connection with the local Lyceum course.

This company is composed of Mrs. Eleanor E. Brewer and her two daughters, Ruth M. and Grace M. They give a thoroughly good entertainment, satisfying to all patrons. They have had several years' experience, covering a number of states, and have always pleased.

They will appear at the Houston opera house Saturday night. Tickets are now on sale.

SENATE MEMBERS CONTINUE THEIR BICKERING HABIT

IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION OF RULE ASKED

Senator Martin Asks for Unanimous Consent to Consider Limiting of Debate — Senator Sherman Denounces Wilson's Statement That It Is Unwise to Call Extra Session Unless Rules Revised.

The senate abolished the old rule of unlimited debate and adopted the cloture rule by a vote of 76 to 3 late today. Senators Gronna, La Follette and Sherman opposed the rule.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 8.—Senator Martin has asked the unanimous consent of the senate for the immediate consideration of the cloture rule limiting debate.

Senator Sherman today denounced President Wilson's statement that it is "unwise to call an extra session until the rules are revised."

"A filibuster would not succeed at an extra session," said Sherman, and added, that "only when the time is limited does a filibuster prevail."

Senator Hollis offered an amendment providing that a majority instead of two-thirds of the senate shall limit debate.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 8.—Senator Norris defended the obstructionists today in the senate, declaring that if their action in blocking the armed neutrality bill was treason, "then make the most of it."

He said he favored the cloture rule.

ONE SUBMARINE SINKS 47 SHIPS

ON RECENT TRIP 90,000 TONS SUNK — GERMAN PRISONERS CAPTURED AT THREE POINTS. FALL OF BAGDAD EXPECTED

BERLIN, March 8.—One submarine on a recent trip sank twenty-one steamers, ten sailing vessels and sixteen fishing boats, it is announced here, for a total of 90,000 tons. Violent artillery fire in the Champagne district is reported today.

PARIS, March 8.—German prisoners have been captured in trench raids at three different points on the Lorraine, between the Oise and the Aisne and northeast of Kembernail fronts.

LONDON, March 8.—The British cavalry is but twelve miles from Bagdad. The report of its fall is expected.

Strain Since Break Puts President Abed

4,000 ARE RECRUITED

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 8.—A record in recruiting was made here today when more than 4,000 men, exclusive of field enlistments and re-enlistments, was reached. They are credited to the international developments.

SUPREME COURT UPHOLDS NOLAND

DECISION RENDERED IN CASE OF IOWA BANK AGAINST M. R. DOTY AFFIRMED ON ABATEMENT PLEA—COMES BACK

The Oregon supreme court upheld the decision of the late Judge Noland of the circuit court here, in his decision in the Clorinda Trust and Savings bank of Iowa against M. R. Doty of this city, according to word received today by E. L. Elliott, attorney for the plaintiff.

The case went to the supreme court on a plea of abatement that there existed a collusion between the bank and the Lyle Manufacturing company. Judge Noland held that a collusion did not exist, and has been upheld. The supreme court action brings the case back into the circuit court here.

The case was brought to collect on some machinery.

REV. HURD HANDS IN RESIGNATION

OFFICERS OF CONGREGATION HAVE CONSIDERED THE MATTER AND WILL GIVE OFFICIAL NOTICE NEXT SUNDAY

Rev. Chas. T. Hurd has tendered his resignation as pastor of the First Presbyterian church of this city, to take effect April 1st, and his officers have already given the matter consideration. The congregation will be officially notified next Sunday morning.

It is with very deep regret that Mr. Hurd is allowed to sever his relation with this church, but that is made necessary by the ill health of his family in this location. He will, however, continue to occupy the pulpit for three more Sundays.

Rev. Hurd's new charge will be the Mount Baker church in Seattle.

Dorris to Have Dance

The Dorris fire department will give a big ball on March 16th for the benefit of the new fire bell fund in that city.

DELAYS ARMED NEUTRALITY DECISION

Executive Resisted Well Last Night, But Trying Weeks Since Diplomatic Break May Keep Him in Bed for Several Days—Has Slight Fever Today—Americans Leaving Belgium Without Trouble.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 8.—Dr. Grayson, the White House physician, announced this morning that President Wilson spent a restless night last night, though he has a slight fever today.

His illness is due to the trying weeks, following the diplomatic break with Germany. He may remain in bed for several days.

The president's illness is delaying the armed neutrality decision. The order to arm merchant ships, however, is expected soon.

Ernest Whitlock, American ambassador to Belgium, cables that Germany is permitting Americans to leave Belgium freely.

CAMP STATES RATES REDUCED

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE CHARGES WILL BE REDUCED THIS YEAR TO 85 CENTS AN ACRE FROM \$1 LAST YEAR

The operation and maintenance charge under the first and second units of the Klamath irrigation project will be 85 cents an acre this year, according to an announcement made today by Manager Camp of the Klamath project.

"This is a reduction of 15 cents an acre over last year," said Mr. Camp, "as it was \$1 for that period. We have the canals in shape now, and believe that this year we will be able to pay expenses under this charge."

"Three years ago a charge of but 75 cents an acre was made, but the ditches became run down and the water service to the farmers was poor. In 1915 it was raised to \$1.25, with the co-operation of the directors of the Water Users Association, under which amount it was possible to put the ditches into shape and give good service."

"In 1916 the charge was reduced to \$1. an acre, and this year we are able to reduce it to 85 cents, and believe we will be able to keep the system in good order."

Child Dies From Scalds

LONG BEACH, March 8.—Ruby Jenkins, aged 30 months, died here today as a result of scalding burns and left arm with boiling water. She died in convulsions.