

U. S. Cabinet in Session Over It

Washington Likely to Act if Any American Vessel is Hit by Germans

Washington, Feb. 19.—The most important cabinet meeting in many months was held today, and the clean cut issue between the United States and Germany over the war zone declaration, practically the sole topic of discussion. The German reply to the American protest was dissected and it is understood the source of action and policy for the United States to follow, in the event that German submarines sink an American steamship was gone into.

It is not expected that there will be any further communication between Germany and the United States on the matter for the present.

The prevailing mood of mind in Washington today was that the United States government would face the possibility of being drawn into the European conflict if a ship should be sunk. Most officials, however, refuse to believe that Germany will permit any American ships to be torpedoed, because of the consequences of such an act.

It is stated that American consuls are sending reports to the state department of a shortage of food supply in both Austria and Germany and that the situation is extremely bad in the former country. These are believed to show the reason for Germany's recent measures of retaliation.

It is the current belief in Washington that Germany intends to put up a desperate fight for the next two or three months, with the hope of drawing the other nations into the conflict and then, in view of the hopeless nature of the struggle, ask for peace.

FREDERICKTON WOULD HAVE M.P. OF ITS OWN

Delegation Presents Matter Before Government—Trouble Over Indian Chief Election—Court Judgments

Frederickton, Feb. 19.—A delegation from the city council waited upon the government yesterday, and asked for legislation creating Frederickton into a separate electoral division. Consideration was promised.

Sol Brooks, a defeated candidate, is contesting in the police court the election of Neville Sackville as chief of the Melville Indians of this section. He charges that Sackville resorted to the use of subtle agencies, which sometimes characterize elections conducted by white men. The case was tried yesterday before Judge Limerick. Judgment will be delivered on Monday.

The retail merchants completed their organization last evening by electing Alexander Murray president; M. E. Doohan, vice-president, and Walter McKay secretary.

Supreme court today heard argument in the case of the King vs. Abner Belyea, a provincial constable. He was convicted before Judge Crockett on a charge of assaulting one McMann and doing grievous bodily harm. P. J. Hughes moves for leave to appeal, and that the court cause a crown case to be reserved. Attorney-General Baxter, contra. The court considers. The court will hand down several judgments this afternoon.

LAST OF THEM CAUGHT

David Caplan Arrested in Connection With Los Angeles Dynamiting

Seattle, Wn., Feb. 19.—David Caplan, last of the men wanted in Los Angeles, in connection with the dynamiting of the Los Angeles Times building in the fall of 1910 was arrested last night on a checkmate much two hundred and fifty miles from Seattle, in Bainbridge Island, twelve miles from Seattle.

Caplan, according to Walter R. Thayer, manager of the Seattle branch of the William J. Burns Detective Agency, admitted his identity and expressed a willingness to return to Los Angeles for trial. He was taken to Port Orchard, where he was placed in jail under an armed guard.

According to a statement by Thayer Caplan's bank shows that he had been supplied with money from outside sources. Valuable evidence connecting these sources with the dynamite conspiracy was found among Caplan's papers.

"Our New York office," Thayer says, "has also discovered evidence connecting J. B. McVernars, Caplan and Schmidt with the explosion which damaged the Lynn building in Seattle in 1910, just before the Times explosion."

FOR THE ORPHANS

The following subscriptions are thankfully acknowledged by the treasurer of the St. John Protestant Orphan's Home: Miss Jane R. Barlow, two years subscription, 1913-1914, \$6; J. A. Tilton, \$10; Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Adams, \$10; O. H. Warwick Company, Limited, \$10; L. G. Crosby, \$10; George A. Harding, W. C. Cross, R. M. Smith, Edward Bates, F. Neil Brodie, Fred M. Taylor, A. W. Adams, W. H. Moore, each \$5; Cash, Mrs. M. B. Edwards, Robertson Foster & Smith, J. Hunter White, each \$3; F. A. Dykeman, Hiram White, Rev. J. A. MacKinnon, Mrs. H. M. Hopper, Rev. F. H. Wentworth, H. G. Weeks, each \$2; F. S. West, W. C. Broadbent, D. W. H. Magee, James A. Esley, G. H. Arnold, Mrs. F. Hanington, George B. Hegan, John H. Clarke, Charles Ballie, H. C. Schofield, Mrs. R. K. Cameron, each \$1.

DEATHS

MERRILL.—At Fairville, on February 18, 1915, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Merrill.

CASE.—In this city on the 18th inst., George F. Case, in the 79th year of his age.

Funeral Saturday, 2.30, from his late residence, 100 1/2 Elliott Row, No flowers, by request.

CARDS OF THANKS

The members of the family of the late Charles E. Colwell, wish to thank their friends for the many kind expressions of sympathy extended to them in their recent sad bereavement.

IN MEMORIAM

MCCORDOCK.—In loving memory of David R. McCordock, who fell asleep in Jesus, Feb. 9, 1914.

Till the day breaks
And the shadows flee away.

DECIDED FOR WAR SEVEN YEARS AGO

Remarkable Speech Made by Kaiser, According to LeQuex—Saw in Zeppelin Instrument For World Conquest

London, Feb. 19.—A remarkable speech said to have been made by the Kaiser at a secret council meeting in Potsdam in June, 1908, at which the German Emperor announced his decision to go to war, forms a chapter of William LeQuex's new book, "German Spies in England." The author says that he has obtained a report of the proceedings from a German of high position, holding the British views, who was present at the meeting.

The Kaiser began by declaring: "After long hours of fervent prayer, light has at last come to me. The outlook is, I admit, dark, but we need not despair, for God, our great ally, has given into our hands the means of saving our empire from the dangers which are threatening its existence. Every cent taken in my disposal to lead Germany triumphantly out of her present difficulties and to make once and for all good words of our poet, 'Deutschland, Deutschland, Über Alles.' Yes, gentlemen, Germany over everything in the world, the first power on earth, both in peace and war, that is the peace which I have been ordered by God to conquer for her, and my wish is that I will conquer for her with the help of the Almighty."

FLAG DAY

Plans Progress Well For Feb. 27—Assistance Freely Offered to The Ladies in Charge

The arrangements for the "Flag Day" to be carried on by Royal Canadian Chapter, Daughters of the Empire, on February 27, are proceeding most satisfactorily. Numerous donations of flags have been received, including promises of automobiles, flags, meeting places and other essentials. Every cent taken in the fund will be devoted to the fund, 50 per cent to the patriotic fund, 20 per cent to the Royal Canadian Chapter, and 10 per cent to the Ladies in Charge.

One idea of the day is to enable many who could not give to the funds in the purchase of flags. Opportunity will be given to every citizen to donate. There will be general decorations and persons wanting flags, either for private homes or for public buildings should communicate with Mrs. George McAvity, Orange street, convenor of the fund. Their orders will be gladly taken. The rooms of the Hotel Columbus have been given as the headquarters of the flag day campaign.

REAL ESTATE NEWS

Transfer of real estate in St. John continued as follows:

R. E. Akerley to James McKinney, property in Adelaide street.

Penton Land and Building Co. Ltd. to Jessie L. Layton, property in Lancaster.

T. J. Peters, receiver of taxes, to William Pye-Jones, \$100, property in Somerset street.

A. Quigley, et al. to James Irvine, \$200, property in St. Martin's.

DEGREES FOR QUEEN'S MEN WHO ARE GOING TO WAR

Kingston, Ont., Feb. 19.—Degrees were conferred upon the students of the Queen's University at a special convocation yesterday afternoon. Twenty young men, going overseas, twenty-one as hospital orderlies, and the others with the engineering and infantry corps.

WAR NOTES

The Netherlands government has issued a note of protest to Germany against her establishment of a sea war zone.

Two German airships have been lost off the coast of Jutland, having been destroyed in a snow storm.

A recent order has called all the German Landsturm to the colors.

The Germans are said to have almost completed twenty new forts at Wilhelmshaven.

Zeppelins are being used in patrol over the North Sea, overhauling and identifying steamships.

A soldier may win the Victoria Cross but once but Arthur Martin Leake of the Royal Army Service Corps, who won it in South Africa has been awarded a clasp to the cross for great work in the present war.

An official report given out in London today says that the British have made gains and strengthened their position near Ypres and Lys, and that their airplanes have done very effective work. Every German attack has been repulsed.

A Berlin paper asserts that the German blockade will do great damage to Britain.

PERSONALS

Paul Longley is to leave tomorrow for Sydney, where he has accepted a position on the staff of the Dominion Street Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gorman left today for Halifax to see their son, Thomas, before his departure overseas with the 3rd Field Artillery.

Arthur Burk, of Victoria street, left on the Boston train last night to visit friends in Roxbury, Mass.

WHEAT UP AGAIN

Chicago, Feb. 19.—Wheat prices leapt upward today impelled by a strong and excited market at Liverpool where the highest figures on this year's crop were being paid, with no abatement in the demand. After opening 1 1/2 to 1 3/4 above last night and fluctuating rapidly, the market here steadied at about 1 1/2 under the top level reached.

STRUCK ONE

Some repair work being done on the fire alarm early this afternoon was responsible for one blow of the going being heard. There was no fire.

LOCAL NEWS

DEATH OF LITTLE ONE.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Merrill of Fairville will have the sympathy of many friends in the death of their infant son.

Excellent ice and band at the Vic. tonight.

IN K. OF C. HALL.

The Knights of Columbus will give the use of their fine hall for the addresses by Thos. Adams on town planning.

THE TAX ON VACANT LOTS.

The proposal to tax vacant lands at double rates would work a hardship on a large number of poor but ambitious citizens who have bought lots and are holding them until they can save enough to start building a home, is the statement of a correspondent who writes to the Times protesting against the scheme.

When the letter was referred to the chairman of the Board of Assessors this morning Mr. Sharp said that there probably are a few such cases, but not enough to affect the issue to any serious extent.

WANTED—Fifty Waitresses for Banquet on West Side, Thursday evening, at 5 p. m. Apply Wansmaker's, King Square.

2-18

MADE IN ST. JOHN.

Dearborn's Perfect Baking Powder, absolutely pure.

2-24

Wanted to buy sectional refrigerator. Phone 187-31.

Men's suits going at giving-away prices, at the Bankrupt Stock Sale, 32 Charlotte street, open evenings.

Children's carnival Saturday afternoon in the Queen's Rink: twelve long numbers of music by one of the city's best bands; skating without costume after the fifth.

Women's black suede button boots, Goodyear welt; regular \$4, given away at \$1.98.—Wiesels' Cash Stores, Union street.

Men's tan laced boots, 1915 style, receding heels, flat heels, invisible eyelets. Goodyear welt; \$5 value, sale price \$2.98.—Wiesels' Cash Stores, Union street.

High School vs. Sussex High School in Queen's Rink tonight.

THE WIDOW'S MITE.

The artistic piece of fancy work sent to St. John by a widow in Queens county, described as "a widow's mite," to help increase the Patriotic Fund, was placed on display yesterday in the window of J. M. Roche & Co., Ltd., in King street, and has attracted much interest. It is being drawn for the benefit of the fund under the auspices of a committee of the St. John Railway Company employees with tickets at twenty-five cents each. Already the sale promises well.

Don't forget that our sale is still on. The prices are lower than ever—At C. J. Bassen's, Fairville.

Excellent ice and band at the Vic. tonight.

TODAY AND TOMORROW ONLY.

Jacob 75c. Lamb's wool underwear 45c. Men's \$8.50 overcoat grey clearance sale 15c.—Wiesels' Cash Stores, Union street.

CARD OF THANKS.

Mrs. Kate Love and family wish to thank the doctors and nurses of the General Public Hospital for the kindness shown her daughter, Agnes, while there.

PHILLIPS' HOME-MADE CANDIES.

Today and Saturday, peppermint clews, 12c. lb.; fig blossoms, 15c. lb.; Nelson's week-end chocolates, 25c. lb.; California Sun-kist seedless oranges, 20c. per box; two jars orange marmalade or apple jelly for 15c.—Phillips' stores.

You will save 50 to 60 per cent on your purchases at the Hub, 32 Charlotte street, open evenings.

IN AID OF THE BELGIAN AND PATRIOTIC FUNDS.

Do not forget Tuesday evening Feb. 23rd, is taken for the grand cantata "Ethereal" in Portland Methodist church. Admission 25 cents, proceeds in aid of the above funds.

Suit cases and trunks. Come and pick one out at Bankrupt Stock prices, 32 Charlotte street, open evenings.

St. Luke's Sunday night. Lantern pictures and orchestra. The Men Who Crucified Christ.

Band on Carleton rink tonight; carnival postponed for Monday night.

The Best Quality at a Reasonable Price

A Watch Adds to Your Happiness

A good watch is exceedingly useful—a most desirable possession, because of the great service it renders and the beauty of its appearance. The owner of a good watch is always proud of it. It makes him happier, and is an important factor in contentment.

The money paid for a good watch brings a far greater measure of permanent satisfaction than it is possible to secure by any other equal expenditure.

A Howard, Waltham, Hamilton or Decimal watch will add much to your happiness. They are the best watches made.

You'll find all grades of these best watches in gold and gold filled cases at Sharpe's. Prices represent the greatest possible watch value, and complete stocks afford wide choice in designs and styles for both men and women. Step in and examine them.

L. L. Sharpe & Son

Jewellers and Opticians
3 King Street, St. John, N. B.

Saturday, the Last Day



BIG MID-WINTER FURNITURE SALE!

You must come today or Saturday if you want to secure the liberal discounts we are offering on all Furniture, Rugs and Carpets purchased during this sale.

Saturday will see the end of our great Mid-Winter Sale, and we will offer some big bargains for the last two days.

Don't Fail to Come and Save!

20 to 40 %

Goods Bought During Sale Stored Free Until Required.

J. MARCUS, 30 Dock Street

Store Open Evenings

PRACTICALLY EVERY ATHLETE IN AMHERST HAS JOINED THE FORCES

Eighty-four recruits to date have enlisted from Cumberland County, N. S., as many more are expected. Seventy-one of the men have enrolled in the infantry, the other thirteen will be with the Mounted Rifles. This record compares favorably with the other counties in the province. In most instances it exceeds them.

Sport will suffer through the local enlistment. Practically every athlete of note in Amherst has enrolled under the colors. The third contingent will bear other sport-important young men to the front.

The Mounted Rifles will be in Amherst as soon as the quarters are in readiness. In fact it may be possible that some fifty of them will arrive in Amherst before the completion of accommodations, and may possibly be billeted at private houses.

RECENT DEATHS

The death of Norman J. Raymond took place in Yarmouth yesterday after a lingering illness. He was seventy-five years of age and a former shipbuilder by trade and was a Penistaw River man. He was three married, and is survived by his wife and eight children.

MUST GUARD AGAINST FIRE.

Jacob Rubin, manager of the National Clothing Manufacturing Company, Dock street, who was reported by Chief Blake of the fire department for placing ashes from a stove in a wooden receptacle, was fined \$20 by Magistrate Ritchie in the police court this morning.

Chief Blake swore that he had warned Rubin against placing the ashes in any receptacle. He said that he considered the Ferguson block a bad building for the act was not only endangering property but also life.

Y. M. C. A. SPORT

New Basket Ball League Formed Last Night

The Y. M. C. A. Intermediates last night formed a basketball league of four teams as follows:—

Owls—P. Long, (Capt.) H. Clark, A. Christie, W. Bamberg, E. Waldron, D. Allen, D. Thorne, O. Mott.

Hawks—H. Crowley, (Capt.) H. Van-Wart, A. Willet, A. Johnson, E. Colwell, L. Lincoln, G. Ferris, W. Milden, D. Ling.

Eagles—H. Morton, (Capt.) F. Myles, E. Dykeman, H. Magnusson, D. Mowery, C. Simon, K. Ferris, H. Milden, H. Purchase.

Sparrows—H. Evans, (Capt.) R. Bond, M. White, L. Venetoulis, A. Stephenson, S. Mealy, G. Aliotus, M. Jacobson.

Games will be played on Thursday and Saturday evenings and each team must have at least four men or else must default. Ten minutes time will be given over the schedule hour after which the team on the floor can claim the game. Suitable recognition will be given the winning team at the close of the series.

BURIED TODAY

The funeral of William Doherty took place this morning from his late residence in Douglas avenue to St. Peter's church, where solemn requiem high mass was celebrated by Rev. William Hogan, C.S.B., with Rev. Simon Gwynne, C.S.B., deacon, and Rev. J. Jackmann, C.S.B., sub-deacon. Following the service the body was conveyed to the new Catholic cemetery and there laid at rest. The pall-bearers were Charles O'Hara, Martin Dolan, James Daly, John O'Pray, Michael Coll and Michael Sweeney. Many beautiful floral tributes testified to the esteem in which Mr. Doherty was held.

The funeral of Thomas E. Moran took place this morning from his late residence in Pitt street, to St. John the Baptist church, where requiem high mass was celebrated by Rev. D. Patton, C.S.B., with Rev. J. Jackmann, C.S.B., deacon, and Rev. J. Jackmann, C.S.B., sub-deacon. Following the service the body was conveyed to the old Catholic cemetery.

The funeral of David Marney, of Beaver Lake, took place this afternoon. Burial services were conducted by Salvation Army officials and interment took place in Fernhill.

The funeral of Major John S. Hall took place this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from his late residence, King street east. Burial services were conducted by Rev. L. Ralph Sherman, and interment took place in Fernhill. Many friends attended and handsome floral pieces rested on the casket.

The funeral of Miss Annie Clarke took place this afternoon from the Municipal Home. Burial services were conducted by Rev. Ralph J. Haughton, and interment took place in Fernhill.

SAFELY ACROSS

A cablegram received today from England by Mrs. Jane Irwin, of 18 Stanley street, told of the safe arrival of her granddaughter Miss Nella Wilson, nurse. She reached Liverpool aboard the steamer Zealand from Halifax yesterday.

Too Late For Classification

BEGINNERS' Class, weekly instruction, "Class," Times, 2214-2-26

WANTED—Immediately, cookmaster. Apply LeBaron Wilson, 70 Germain street. 2217-2-26

TO LET—Ten rooms and bathroom, 97 Main street. Apply J. E. Cowan, 39 Main street. 2216-2-20

WANTED—Second Hand Counters, Roller Top Desk. Phone 1310-11 or call 29 Brussels street. 2216-2-20

BOY WANTED—16 to 18 years of age. Apply 9 to 10 a. m., Saturday. Princess Garage, Princess street. 2216-2-20

LOST—Brown Muff, between Charlotte street and Police Station. Finder kindly return to 469 Main street. 2217-2-22

TO LET—Upper Flat, seven rooms, including bathroom, electric lights. Roller Top Desk. Phone 1310-11 or call 29 Brussels street. 2216-2-20

TO LET—Furnished upper flat, seven rooms and bath. All conveniences. From May 1st to October. Apply 3 Prospect street, corner of Wright. 2216-2-22

CONDENSED DESPATCHES

The Panama-Pacific Exposition will open at noon tomorrow, at an electric signal from Washington, sent by President Wilson.

Frederick Ulmer, aged twenty, shot Miss Ethel O'Dell, a dancer, and himself in New York today. Both may die.

W. S. Middleboro, M. P., is chairman of the committee to probe the military boot scandal at Ottawa, beginning today.

THE LATE MRS. ELIZA CRAWFORD

The funeral of Mrs. Eliza Crawford of Johnston, Queens Co., took place on last Wednesday afternoon. Service was conducted in St. Paul's Episcopal church by Rev. C. A. S. Warneford and interment was made in the Church of England cemetery.

MAY GO TO ONTARIO.

A. E. Whitehead, professor of organ in Mount Allison Conservatory of Music, has recently been offered the position of organist and choir master in the Central Methodist church of Stratford, Ontario. It is worthy of note that two hymns composed by Professor Whitehead have recently been accepted for the new Methodist hymn book now being compiled.

ROSES, PLANTS, SHRUBS, ETC.

Advice received from Holland, notifying us of the usual consignment of plants and shrubs for our Spring sale. Those in want will do well to await the arrival of these goods, as they have given excellent satisfaction to those who have purchased at our former sales.

R. F. POTTS, Auctioneer.

Phone 973.

I am instructed to sell, Monday afternoon at 2.30 p. m., Feb. 22, at 209, corner Rodney and Watson Sts., Carleton, West End Household Furniture, one kitchen stove, kitchen chairs, kitchen table, one dozen dining-room chairs, two parlor tables, four rockers, two lounges, one hall stove, clocks, mirrors, carpets, mattresses, furniture of all descriptions, and also groceries in the rear, one oil tank with kerosene, can goods of all kinds, sugar, flour, candy, surplus soap.

L. WEBBER, Auctioneer.

I am instructed to sell, Monday morning, Feb. 22, at 10 o'clock sharp, 228 Prince Wm. Street, at public auction, one solid brass bed, one buffet, leather chairs, bureaus, couch, bookcase, and other household effects.

L. WEBBER, Auctioneer.

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