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WASHINGTON IS NOW AWAITING RESULTS OF NEW WAREFARE

Should Any American Citizen be Injured During a Sub Attack on a Merchant Ship Armed Solely For Defence, a "Grave Situation Would Arise" - Vote Taken Soon.

Washington, March 1.—Administration officials to-day anxiously awaited the results of the new Teutonic submarine campaign announced to begin last midnight.

Meanwhile, should any American citizen be injured during a submarine attack on a merchant ship armed solely for defence, a grave situation would arise.

President Wilson held an engagement to confer to-day with administration leaders in congress on the question of armed merchant ships.

POLITICIANS SURPRISED. The president's determination thus to throw down the gauntlet to congress on the subject caused much surprise at the capitol.

WILL BACK WILSON. In his communication the president called attention to the fact that the reports that congress was divided over the question of the government's foreign policies were being made.

Administration leaders plan to bring the agitation in congress to an end by the adoption of a resolution endorsing the President's course.

Defeat of the pending resolutions and a vote of confidence in the president, administration supporters point out, would enable the president to continue to contend for the principles of international law and humanity with the solid backing of the government.

At an early conference at the White House to-day, President Wilson and

administration leaders made plans for bringing the armed ship agitation in congress to an end at once with a demonstration of unity to convince Germany that the American Congress stands behind the foreign policy of the government.

President Wilson reiterated to the conferees that while dissension in the American Congress over the question of warning Americans not to travel on the armed ships of the European belligerents were being made in various parts of the world, the American government does not support the President in his stand for the observance of the laws of nations and humanity, his negotiations with Germany are embarrassed and cannot be continued.

HOPE FOR MAJORITY VOTE. Confident that they can beat all anti-administration resolutions by the confidence vote, the president and the leaders framed plans to bring them out first on floor of the House where they plan to defeat them and put through a vote of confidence in the president.

The President paved the way for his action last night and incidentally surprised congress by calling on acting Chairman Poy of the House rules committee to provide the parliamentary machinery for immediate consideration of the resolutions.

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WHERE FRENCH AND GERMANS ARE AT GRIPS



THE MAP SHOWS THE BATTLE LINE AROUND VERDUN, THE SCENE OF TERRIFIC FIGHTING. THE ARROWS INDICATE THE GERMAN ADVANCE AND SECTION RECOVERED BY THE FRENCH. ACCORDING TO REPORT THE GERMAN CROWN PRINCE HAS 280,000 MEN ENGAGED IN THE BATTLE FOR VERDUN.

VERDUN DRIVE AT A HALT; LULL IN ATTACK, OR DEFEAT?

Crown Prince's Army Now up to Inner Line of French Defences - No Fighting at Verdun Now, But Huns May be Preparing to Complete the Drive.

BERLIN, March 1.—via London, 3.15 p.m.—No mention of the fighting at Verdun is made in the official statement of to-day.

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The lull which yesterday gave signs of setting in, now extends along virtually the entire front, where the desperate struggles of the past week and more have been going on.

ALSACE NEXT. Dispatches indicate opinions of military observers that the German offensive, if it broadened appreciably, would be more likely to spread to the south than the north.

FRENCH CAN HOLD OUT. Paris dispatches declare the situation north of Verdun satisfactory to the French, who have strongly fortified their positions from Col du

COURIER'S DAILY CARTOON



"You'd better see what you can do with him, dear. I've bought him these nice leggings, but he says it's going to be puttees or nothing." - London Opinion.

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FIFTY-FOURTH BATTERY LEFT THIS MORNING FOR TORONTO TO TRAIN

Civic Farewell Accorded Major Henderson and His Gallant Men on Market Square-125th and 84th Battalions to See Boys Off - Much Cheering and Great Crowds.

The 54th Battery under Major Henderson, many of the men in it being well known young fellows from the city left this morning on the 11.32 T. H. and E. train for Toronto, where they will go into training.

Sharp at 11 o'clock the men in khaki who were lined up on the Market Square, set off for the station. The 84th and 125th battalions turned out at full strength, a civic farewell was given on the Market Square and hundreds of people stood on the line of march, and thronged the station platform.

The acting mayor made a short speech of farewell. He regretted, he said, that Mayor Bowly was not in the city, but he and the other aldermen would endeavor to show that the city was proud of the men who were leaving.

Major Henderson replied briefly thanking the city for its gift and good wishes. The men under him, he felt, would give the best account of themselves at the front.

ULTIMATUM TO PORTUGAL. LONDON, March 1, 4.55 p.m.—Germany has sent an ultimatum to Portugal demanding the restoration within 48 hours of the German ships recently seized by that country, according to a despatch from Madrid to Reuter's Telegram Company.

FIRE DESTROYS. The Bonaventure Station in Montreal. A COMPLETE LOSS. Some Talk That It Was Caused by the Enemy.

SHIP ON FIRE. MANCHESTER, Eng., March 1.—The British steamer Spiraea, from Philadelphia, while discharging oil in barrels here, caught fire last night. The fire is still burning along the full length of the cargo.

TWELVE BIG LINERS. NEW YORK, March 1.—The scheduled opening of the new submarine campaign of the Teutonic powers, which was set for to-day, finds twelve big liners in or near the war zone in which the Austrian and German undersea boats are operating.

CITY LINES. Of the Municipal Road Show a Large Earning Increase.

The figures given in yesterday's Courier with regard to Municipal railway earnings referred to the Grand Valley section only. For the city lines the advance over last year is most marked.

The liners are: Cedric, White Star Line; Italia, Italian Line; Taormina, Italian Line; LaFayette, French Line; Philadelphia, American Line; Finland, in American Line service; Bergensfjord, Norwegian-American Line; America, Italian Line; Patria, Fabre Line; Pannonia, Cunard Line, and the Ioannina and Vasiles Constantinos of the Greek Line.

Table with 4 columns: Date, Amount, and other financial data for city lines earnings.

Gasoline prices are declared to be checking the use of automobiles, particularly small motor cars.