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Some Americans Want To Vote Before Decision To Make War On Germany

Emergency Peace Federationists Are Lobbying in Washington—May Not Answer Latest Offer Made by Germany

Washington, Feb. 12.—A special train today brought a delegation of the emergency peace federation here from New York, Philadelphia and other eastern cities to solicit members of congress on behalf of pending measures to provide a popular referendum before declaring war.

They arranged a demonstration and meetings for which peace advocates were the speakers.

Arriving in Washington, Feb. 12.—Within a few days the government will find a way whereby American merchant vessels now held in port by fear of German submarines may arm themselves and resume their sailings. This will be accomplished by private means.

The government will not supply guns or gunners direct, nor even formally advise arming. Shipowners have said that heretofore they have been unable to obtain either guns or gun material.

Officials today still incline to regard the latest offer of Germany to discuss means of preventing war, presented through the Swiss minister on Saturday, only as an effort to cast on the United States the appearance of being belligerent. The official attitude seemed to be that the United States and German government can have no diplomatic dealings until Germany gives up her programme of unrestricted submarine warfare, and that any other admission would serve only to belittle the issue of American rights. It is not certain that any answer will be made to the suggestion.

Washington, Feb. 12.—P. A. S. Franklyn, president of the International Mercantile Marine, today made formal application to the navy department for guns to arm the passenger liners of the American Line.

NEW YORK ARRIVES SAFELY, WAS THROUGH THE SUBMARINE ZONE

New York, Feb. 12.—The Associated Press carried the following this morning: The arrival of the steamer New York today brought the number of American trans-Atlantic passenger ships at this port up to four.

The American liner Kronland docked here yesterday and the Louis and St. Paul of the same line, are still at their piers while their owners await news from Washington.

The Cunard steamer Andania from Liverpool January 31, and the Italian steamer Giuseppe from Genoa, arrived at their respective docks here today.

The first American ship to leave Liverpool after Germany's war was decreed into effect, passed through the danger zone without sighting a war craft of any kind. It was common comment among the passengers that Germany's decree caused very little excitement in England as far as they could observe.

MILITARY TRAINING AT BASEBALL CAMPS

Chicago, Feb. 9.—Ban Johnson, American League president, and President Chas. Weeghman and Owner Comiskey of the Cubs and White Sox, approve "preparatory plan" of Captain Houston, part owner of the Yankees. Spring training camps may witness an entirely new brand of conditioning this season. Houston, who saw service in the Spanish-American war, plans for an hour each day to be devoted to military training in the camps.

FREDERICKTON NEWS

Frederickton, N. B., Feb. 12.—Relatives of Corporal George A. Kern of St. Mary's died of wounds in France. He was formerly reported as dangerously wounded. He went overseas with a signaling corps. He has a brother serving in France.

The thermometer registered twenty below last night, and there were many complaints of frozen water pipes. The opposition candidates will open their campaign with a meeting in Gibson this evening.

John H. Appleby, of Darling's Island, New Brunswick, died at his residence last night. He was seventy-two years old and is survived by three sons and five daughters. The sons are: Walter of New Brunswick, Jack of Boston and Robert at home; the daughters are Mrs. Harry Harrington of Red Head, Mrs. W. H. Figg of Boston, Mrs. M. Isaacs of New York and the Misses Babel and Hazel of Boston.

AT THE HOSPITAL. The condition of John Sheridan is unchanged in the General Public Hospital this afternoon. No attempt has been made yet to extract the bullet from his chest. The man still desires to make any statement.

GERARD TREATED BADLY ON LAST DAYS IN BERLIN

Phone Wires Cut, Mail and Telegrams Stopped

COULD GET NO INFORMATION

Efforts Made to Have Him Open Negotiations for Amendment to the Treaty of 1790—Relief When Swiss Border Crossed

ST. MARY'S FERRY SOLDIER BELIEVED TO BE KILLED

Moncton Man Who Was Missing Now Reported Killed in Action

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—Casualties: INFANTRY Previously Reported Missing, Now Believed Killed

F. J. Tyler, St. Marys Ferry, N.B. Wounded

J. Vignas, Newfoundland; T. J. Marswell, Bridgetown, N.S. Dangerously Ill

W. A. Joudrey, Bangs Falls, N.B. Previously Reported Missing, Now Reported Killed in Action

W. Barrett, Newfoundland; A. Williams, Moncton, N.B.

ENGINEERS Previously Reported Wounded and Missing, Now Killed in Action

Second Corp. K. Morrison, Bridgeport, N.S.

MOUNTED RIFLES Dangerously Wounded

S. W. Lutes, Moncton, N.B. Dangerously Ill

M. T. Blacklock, Little Shemogue, N.B.

SUDDEN DEATH OF OTTAWA CLERGYMAN

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—Rev. A. A. Scott, formerly pastor of Zion Presbyterian Church here, died suddenly of cerebral hemorrhage yesterday while in his study awaiting his wife and daughter preparing to attend divine service. He was born in Oxford county, N.B., and was pastor of Zion church from 1878 until last fall.

The funeral of John McEachern took place this afternoon from his late residence, 116 Thorne avenue. Services were conducted by Rev. Patrick Dennis, and interment was made in Fernhill.

The funeral of Mrs. William F. Waters took place this morning from her late residence, Lower street, to the Church of Assumption, where high mass of requiem was celebrated by Rev. J. J. O'Donovan. Interment was made in Holy Cross cemetery.

The funeral of Mrs. Ada J. Denison, who died in St. Agatha, Quebec, took place this afternoon on the arrival of the Montreal train. Services were conducted by Rev. Ralph Sherman, and interment was made in Fernhill.

The funeral of Mrs. Phemie Keirland took place this morning from her late residence, Prospect street, Fairville, to Union station and the body was taken to Apohaquin for interment. Services were conducted at the house last evening by Rev. E. R. Hayward.

The funeral of Mrs. Robert McIntosh took place on Sunday afternoon from her late residence, 124 Germain street, west, to St. Jude's church. Services were conducted at the house, church and grave by Rev. G. F. Scovell, and interment was in Cedar Hill.

TWO POINTS EACH

An exciting and keenly contested bowling match took place in the City League fixture on Blacks, Alleys on Saturday evening when the Sweeps and Nationals met. Both teams had their strongest line-ups and the result was in doubt until the last frame was rolled. The teams each took two points. The scores were:

Table with 3 columns: Name, Sweeps, Nationals

LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY

Chicago, Feb. 12.—The Chicago Board of Trade and other prominent grain exchangers of the United States were observed today on account of it being Lincoln's birthday.

HE'S STILL WAITING



STEP TO REDEEM NATIONAL HONOR

Episcopal Bishop of Philippines Preaches in Westminster Abbey

London, Feb. 12.—The Right Reverend Bishop of the Philippines, preaching in Westminster Abbey yesterday, said that the British today were teaching the world such lessons as men needed. He thanked God he was permitted to be among them at the present moment, when his own nation had taken the first step to redeem its national honor and place itself on the side of God's cause and humanity.

Not only would we, he said, sometimes be necessary for a state where no great moral issues were involved. But generally was impossible to see righteousness, truth and justice had been ruthlessly and deliberately trampled upon.

KILL RELEASE BASEBALL PLAYERS WHO WISH TO ENLIST

Chicago, Feb. 12.—Baseball players in the American League who desire to enlist for military service if the United States becomes involved in war would be granted their immediate release, it was announced last night.

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ST. JOHN MEN HOME FROM WAR

Henry L. Crump of 14 St. Patrick street, a member of the 10th battalion, is home from England on leave of absence. Mr. Crump is well known in the city. He was a painter prior to going overseas.

Halifax Chronicle—Private William Thomas of St. John, N.B., who landed here on Friday, has been granted a discharge on account of his wounds. He received shrapnel in the shoulder, both legs and in the chest. He was taken to hospital at Ypres for about twelve months but returned to the front in September, after being in the trenches for two days. He received wounds which put him out of the game. Part of the shrapnel is still in his leg. Both of Private Thomas' parents are dead.

HAVE IT COLD IN STATES

Saratoga, N. Y., Feb. 12.—It was forty degrees below zero in many places in this vicinity this morning, the coldest of the winter.

Boston, Feb. 12.—The coldest weather of the winter was reported by several points in New England today. Minimum temperatures during the night ranged from 29 degrees below zero to six above. In Boston the minimum was zero.

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stewart, director of meteorological service

Synopsis: A pronounced area of high pressure is centered over the Great Lakes and very cold weather prevails from Ontario to the west. Minimum temperatures are below zero in a line from Manitoba and Saskatchewan.

Ontario: Fair and very cold today, rising temperature on Tuesday. Very Cold

Maritime: Moderate to fresh north-westerly and west winds; fair and very cold today and on Tuesday.

MONEY MATTERS TO ENGAGE THE M. P.'S

House of Commons to be Busy This Week with Britain's Finances

ST. PETER'S Y. M. C. HAVE MOCK TRIAL

One of the most successful mock trials ever held by members of St. Peter's Y. M. C. took place yesterday afternoon in their rooms in Douglas avenue.

The chief speakers today were A. Bonar Law, chancellor of the exchequer, who was charged with the duty of introducing the motion for the vote of credit and reviewing the financial position of the nation, and Reginald McKenna, who was called on to support the motion, and frequently and prolonged applause.

John U. Haggerty, solicitor at law, James Martin as prosecuting attorney, E. Raymond Hansen as counsel for the defence, John J. McDonnell as clerk of the court, Gregory Lundy as detective and John O'Brien as court sergeant, and witnesses were John O'Connor, Guy Edward Hansen, Gerard Doherty, John McAuliffe, Joe Dever and Richard Cleary, Christy McKenna, Frank O'Donnell, Edward McCann and B. McIntyre were the defendants.

ADVOCATES CRIPPLING OF GERMAN STEAMSHIPS IN AMERICAN PORTS

London, Feb. 12.—In an address at Wilhelmshaven regarding precautions taken by Germany in view of the possibility of war with the United States, Dr. Gustav Stresemann, a prominent national liberal member of the Reichstag, made the following statement:

Our German blue-jackets in the United States will have to see to it that the German steamers in American ports should not be usable by anyone for some time.

Dr. Stresemann also expressed the opinion that the work of the German submarines was encouraging the army for the spring campaign.

LONDON TIMES GOES UP ANOTHER CENT

London, Feb. 12.—The London Times announces that, as a consequence of the increasing restrictions on newspaper paper, it has raised its price to four cents a copy. It says the recent increase to three cents did not affect its circulation and it will again raise its price if necessary, even to fourteen cents, at which the paper's sale price in 1896. It is the intention of the Times to encourage a house to house loan circulation.

GERMAN DESTROYER PUTS TO SEA FROM PORT IN HOLLAND

London, Feb. 12.—The German torpedo boat destroyer V-69 left Ymuiden, Holland, at 4.45 o'clock last evening, assisted by a German tug, says a Koulour despatch from that port. The Dutch cruiser Noord-Brabant and six Dutch torpedo boats escorted the German through territorial waters.

TWO NORTH SHORE TRAINS RESTORED TO SCHEDULE

Moncton, Feb. 12.—Nos. 25 and 26, accommodation expresses, which were cancelled between Newcastle and Campbellton, have been restored to their former runs.

William Peake's store in Union street was entered and a few dozen lead pencils and about fifty cents in cash stolen on Saturday night.

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT MAY BE INSPECTOR GENERAL OF OVERSEAS TROOPS

London, Feb. 12.—The Duke of Connaught will be appointed inspector-general of overseas troops, according to the Times. The paper intimates that the duke will investigate the question of the promotion of Canadian officers, which has been a subject of criticism here.

THINGS AT A BAD PASS IN THE AUSTRIAN EMPIRE

People Fired Upon in Repression of Food Riots—Soldiers Mutiny—An Outcry For Peace to Save Germany and the Dual Monarchy

New York, Feb. 12.—The Sun publishes the following special cable: "Rome, via London, Feb. 11.—The Vatican has information from Austria that food riots have been repressed with bloodshed and that frequently soldiers have refused to fire upon the citizens. Several regiments have mutined and the situation is very serious. Sensational developments, including a revolution, are feared.

"Vatican clergymen and cardinals have been asked to implore the people to stand by their homes in order to save Germany and Austria-Hungary.

"The Vatican organ, the Osservatore Romano, points out in an inspired article that a clash between the United States and Germany would establish a precedent for the right of the United States to influence European politics. It says that after the war Europe would be weakened and the United States could assume a preponderant position.

"With the object of averting such an eventuality, the paper says, the Pope is striving to avert war between the United States and Germany and expects to succeed."

MORE FRENCH SOLDIERS IN CITY TODAY ON THE WAY HOME FROM FRONT

Corporal Lefevre and Privates Backer, Briand and Lepache, French soldiers, arrived in the city on the Boston train at noon today, fresh from the Somme and Meuse, after having served in the French army for more than two years.

They arrived in New York a few days ago from France. Three of the soldiers were attached to a French battalion, No. 33, and the fourth to another, No. 32. Although facing the front for that length of time and participating in the great battles at Ypres, Festubert and on the Somme they returned to France with no scars. Corporal Lefevre said that they had lived through many terrible engagements, and that they were not to have come through it alive. He said that at times shells broke around them like hail and that it was a miracle they were not blown to pieces.

When asked about the drive of the Germans on Paris, he said that those were trying days. "We were not in a position to cope with the Germans then, he said, "because our guns were not as powerful, or our men as well equipped. But we realized that we had to hold them off until they were exhausted, and many a noble son of France shed his blood in that gallant defence, but the result was eventually all won from their side. The result was we held them and eventually drove them back slowly but faster when we were given better guns and more ammunition."

LOSS TWO SEAPLANES

Rome, Feb. 12.—Two Austrian seaplanes scouting off the Albanian coast were shot down near Santeo. Two of the occupants of the machines were made prisoners. One of the airplanes was captured and the other sunk.

Washington, Feb. 12.—Orders reports on the arrival of Ambassador Gerard and his suite at Zurich, reached the state department today from United States Minister Stovall at Berne. They added nothing to the information already published.

WRECKAGE WASHED UP ON COAST OF BRAZIL

Pernambuco, Brazil, Feb. 12.—During the last few days wreckage has been washed ashore on the coast near the mouth of Parahyba. The wreckage includes wireless apparatus, a tin box containing a small quantity of cylinders filled with an explosive substance, planks and cans of provisions.

Recent reports from Pernambuco spoke of living heard at sea off the Brazilian coast, as if a naval engagement were in progress.

GERMANS ARRESTED BY MONCTON POLICE

Moncton, N. B., Feb. 12.—Two Germans who broke parole and escaped from Miramichi were arrested by the Moncton police and will be sent back under escort. An Austrian who escaped at the same time was arrested in Fredericton.

IMPORTANT CHANGES IN THE AUSTRIAN COMMAND

Amsterdam, via London, Feb. 12.—According to a Vienna correspondent changes may be expected in the Austrian army command.

Gen. Crobatin, the correspondent says, is expected to resign from the war ministry in favor of General Baron von Aulenberg, a former minister of war. Archduke Frederick, commander-in-chief, is expected to be replaced by Archduke Eugene, commander-in-chief of the forces operating against Italy, and the latter by Field Marshal Baron Franz Conrad von Hotzendorf, who is to be entrusted with the organization of the war against Italy on a new basis.

POLICE COURT

In the police court this morning Pte. Frank Donicette was fined \$16 for using profane and obscene language in the street and also in a street car. Policeman Hayes and City Constable Gibbons testified. One other prisoner, charged with drunkenness, was remanded.

GENERAL OF OVERSEAS TROOPS

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