

ALLIES' PLAN TO BLOCKADE ALL ENEMIES NOW AWAITED

Washington Awaits With Intense Interest Announcement Today By Premier Asquith Details of Scheme To Extend Operation

COMPLICATED QUESTIONS ARE EXPECTED TO ARISE

Should Shipping of Neutral Nations Be Debarred from German Ports American Maritime Interests Will Be Affected

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
WASHINGTON, March 1.—The greatest possible interest is being taken here, officially and otherwise, in the suggestion implied in the informal notification given to the representatives of the neutral powers in London by Sir Edward Grey, the British foreign secretary, that a complete blockade is to be inaugurated of the German, Austrian and Turkish coasts. The statement of the British foreign minister that the Allies hold themselves at liberty to shut off all communication by sea with Germany and her allies, and prevent the ingress and egress of the ships of all nations, whatever the nature of their cargoes, from German, Austrian and Turkish ports, is taken here to mean that a blockade unprecedented in history is about to be declared.

ASQUITH WILL INFORM

That the carrying out of such a blockade is liable to involve the bringing up of a number of exceedingly complicated questions of international law is the opinion expressed here by officials, who are awaiting with intense eagerness for what Premier Asquith will say today in parliament on the question concerning which Sir Edward Grey's words of Saturday have puzzled the world. Premier Asquith is expected to give the details of the plan of blockade which it is believed Great Britain, France and Russia have decided to attempt.

If, as intimated by the foreign minister, the shipping of all neutrals is to be debarred from German ports or prevented from carrying goods of whatever nature to neutral ports for German consignees, American interests will be seriously affected, especially the interests of the American shipping companies and the Southern cotton planters.

RELIEF SUPPLIES INVOLVED

The question of the shipment of relief supplies to the Belgians is also involved, and the British pronouncement expected today is awaited with the keenest interest.

In making his announcement on Saturday, Sir Edward Grey stated that the notion of the German activity in attacking merchant ships bound for British ports, sinking them by submarine attacks, makes the action to be taken for an absolute blockade of Germany necessary and justified. The Allies are expected, however, he stated, to pledge themselves that there will be no sinking of neutral ships bound for Germany and attempting to run the blockade before the safety of the passengers and crews has been safeguarded. Whatever action may be taken in respect to blockade running vessels, there will be no endangering of the lives of the citizens or subjects of neutral states.

REGISTRY IS SUSPENDED

Nothing further has been learned here of the seizure by a French cruiser of the steamer Dacia, as reported in press dispatches, which may mean that American registered vessels have been taken into Dacia as a prize.

Yesterday, however, notice was given by the department of commerce and labor that the American registry of the Dollar Line steamer M. S. Dollar has been suspended. This vessel, which was recently transferred from British to American registry, is and always has been American owned, being the property of the Robert Dollar Steamship Company of San Francisco. She has been leading at a Texas port for the Orient.

RIVER AEROPLANISTS EXCHANGE COMPLIMENTS

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
LONDON, February 27.—German newspapers have roared the Allies at New York while a French aeroplane has crossed the English Channel.

CRUISER SAN DIEGO LEADS IN GUNNERY

Crew Scores One Hundred Percent of Hits, Winning Spokane Cup and \$2000 Prize

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
SAN DIEGO, March 1.—As a result of the gunnery contest carried out by the cruiser San Diego, formerly the cruiser California, on the Coronado Islands on Thursday that ship won the first place in the navy for marksmanship, according to an announcement made here yesterday by Lieutenant-Commander Freeman.

With her forward turret eight-inch guns in the practice range, the San Diego made a clean score of one hundred per cent of hits.

Full score was for the ship, the Spokane cup and the sum of \$2000 to be divided among the ship's men as prizes.

In the elemental practice the San Diego came in second place, with a hit percentage of fifty-three. The leader in the elemental was the cruiser North Dakota, with a percentage of fifty.

GERMANY TO RAISE BUDGETS FOR WAR

Preliminary Estimate of Another Fund to Finance Conflict Has Been Adopted

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
BERLIN, March 1.—The budget to be presented to the Reichstag within a short time will carry a total of considerably more than three billion dollars, or which two and a half billion will be asked for the extraordinary expenses of the war.

The preliminary estimates were presented before the Reichstag last week by the minister of the treasury, Herr Kohn, and formally adopted.

According to the budget just passed by the federal council, the estimate for the war is \$2,510,000,000, while the ordinary expenses included in the estimate call for \$380,750,000.

TRAFALGAR SQUARE SCENE OF PROTEST

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
LONDON, March 1.—Trafalgar Square was the scene of a monster demonstration yesterday, held under the call of the Socialist organizations and the labor unions as a protest against the prevailing high prices of food and coal. Thousands attended the meeting and many speeches were made against the government. Resolutions were put and adopted expressing the indignation and disappointment felt at the government's refusal to take suitable action to deal with the situation.

ZEPPELIN WRECKED IN A GALE IS LOST

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
GENEVA, March 1.—A Zeppelin which had been sent early in February, with a German crew, from Friedrichshafen to the Austrian naval base at Pola, to operate against the warships of the Allies in the Adriatic, has been lost with her crew being wrecked and sunk in a recent gale. Reports from a number of sources give confirmation to the reports. The Zeppelin was one of the smaller types of this style of aircraft.

BELGIAN ARMY AGAIN ACTIVE ON EAST LINE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
LONDON, March 1.—The reorganized Belgian army is now taking a very active part again in the offensive of the Allies to clear their country of the Germans. According to French reports, a large part of the Belgian force is now on the right side of the Yser and is capturing a number of the German positions there. Yesterday their artillery destroyed two German earthworks and demolished the German guns.

SEAMAN'S BILL NOW BEFORE THE PRESIDENT

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
WASHINGTON, March 1.—The Senate has accepted the report of the conference committee on the Seaman's Bill. It now goes to the President for signature.

WELCHER GUN MAN RTO HERE FOR SOME WEEKS

Caught In Coast Raid—Wanted For Murder of Police Officer in East

That at least one notorious New York gun man spent some months recently in Honolulu, while mainland detectives were searching for him for the murder of a police officer, has come to light through a tip he arrested two weeks ago in San Francisco. This man, whose real name is "Seach" Thomas, lived here at the Greenway rooming house at Waikiki under the name James Turner. He sailed for San Francisco on the steamer China, on February 2, after borrowing all he could from various acquaintances he had made, on the plea that he had been summoned to the Coast to secure his share of an estate, just left him.

While in Honolulu he was the companion of a man, whose local alias is not available, who boasted, during his frequent drinks, that he had had a share in "croaking one bull," the thieves' argot for murdering a police officer. The two of these things made a pretense of doing a peddling business in Honolulu. After his return on the China, his companion left for the Coast on the Wilhelm, it being thought dangerous, evidently, for the two to reach San Francisco in company.

Found Fit Companion

Turner's chief companion among local characters of his own stripe was a man named Baker, a bartender in a local saloon, who also recently assisted in the flight of Honolulu by departing, after borrowing from all his hotel-stay friends on the statement that he was about to be married. His marriage consisted of selling the protection of his name for \$100 to a notorious woman, to save her from deportation by the immigration officials.

Leaders of Notorious Gang

The story of the arrest of Turner alias Thomas and two companion crooks is told in the San Francisco Examiner, of February 15. The Examiner says:

Leaders of a notorious gang of New York criminals were arrested last night in a dramatic scene on O'Farrell street just after sundown.

With drawn revolvers, Detectives Richards, Jenkins, Rich and Kaitambach stepped up to three individuals waiting outside the Meads Hotel and arrested Spaul Thomas, Benny Stitzer and Charles Williams, as well as Mazie Marshall, who was in the car with Thomas.

"Back one of the three men has a reputation as a gun-fighter. Thomas is wanted in New York for the murder of a salesman, and the local police had been warned that he had again from New York that, when the arrest was made, the detectives must look out, as all the men carried automatic pistols.

Follows Months of Watching

The arrest followed a month of watching and waiting until the propitious moment when all the gang was together. This moment arrived last night after the detectives had watched the meads (hotel) for three days waiting for Thomas to come out.

"About a month ago the first warning came from New York, saying that Thomas was headed for San Francisco with Mazie Marshall. Thomas, a user of drugs, is known as a desperate and cool criminal.

"Thomas and the woman arrived here and were detected at once. They separated. The woman went to a notorious house while Thomas took steamers for Honolulu.

"Thomas was not arrested because in the mean time the local police received word that Benny Stitzer, under the name of Iral, and Charles Williams were headed this way. The New York police were certain that the four would be together. Local Kohns & Meads.

Stayed in Boston Three Days

"For three days Thomas stayed in the hotel room. Meanwhile Stitzer got wind of the espionage and the three determined to make a bold 'get-away'.

"About six o'clock last night Mazie Marshall, who had been in a tenderloin house under the name of Dorothy Mason, left there and went to the Meads Hotel.

"As last later three taxicabs drew up in front of the hotel. Then the three men and the woman came hurriedly out and jumped into the waiting cabs, the woman getting in with Thomas.

"Before the drivers could start their cars the detectives, who had watched from across the street, stepped up to the windows of the cabs, threatened the occupants with their revolvers and arrested them.

At the city jail Thomas was identified. The others are being held on their records for return to New York.

SCIENTIFIC TASK BEFORE ALLIES IN DARDANELLES

Work of Forcing Famous Waterway Will Not Be Accomplished at Early Date

FORTIFICATIONS LINING STRAITS ARE TREMENDOUS

Sultan and Sublime Porte Continue Preparations to Transfer Seat of Government

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
LONDON, March 1.—While the bombardment of the interior forts of the Dardanelles by the warships of the allied Mediterranean fleet is continuing with vigor and success, it is not anticipated that the complete work of forcing the famous waterway will be accomplished at an early date. The fortifications which line the straits are tremendous, mounting in all twelve hundred guns, and the difficulty of reducing all the forts and clearing the entire passageway of the contact and electric mines is appreciated.

The admiralty has cautioned the public against expecting any immediate capture of Constantinople, stating that the fleet commanders are facing a hard problem, with the strongest forces still ahead of them.

The panic at Constantinople continues and the preparations of the Sultan and his cabinet to transfer the seat of government from Europe to the ancient capital in Asia Minor are going forward. Information which reaches the foreign office through diplomatic sources at Rome is to the effect that Berlin is bringing pressure to bear upon Constantinople not to take the step contemplated. If the transfer to Broussa is made, it will be in direct opposition to the wishes of Berlin.

'AMERICAN LEGION' FORMS NUCLEUS OF NATIONAL DEFENSE

Organization of Former Army, Navy and Militia Men Has Been Effectuated

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
NEW YORK, March 1.—Formal announcement was made here yesterday of the formation of an organization composed of "first reservists" and to be known as the American Legion. The members are former army, navy and militia men, who have banded together to induce the government to take the necessary steps to place the nation in a proper state of preparedness for defense in the event of being accorded into war.

The announcement of this step toward an army reserve worthy of the name has been made by Capt. Gordon Johnston of the 8th-cavalry, now serving as aide-de-camp to Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood, at the headquarters of the Eastern department. Captain Johnston makes the announcement on behalf of a group of army and navy officers.

According to the statement made by Captain Johnston, it is planned to establish as soon as possible a first reserve to include between two hundred thousand and three hundred thousand former soldiers and sailors, who will hold themselves in readiness for instant call in the event of an emergency.

Major-General Wood has already given the plan his official indorsement.

SEAMAN'S MEASURE BEFORE PRESIDENT

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
WASHINGTON, March 1.—The Seaman's Bill, which passed the Senate on Saturday and is now before the President for his signature, will probably be vetoed, in the opinion of many here. As passed, the bill allows men to leave their ships in any American port and to demand payment of their wages in full to the time they may leave, irrespective of the articles they may have signed in their home ports. Such a provision is contrary to the treaty provisions which the United States has with a number of other nations.

BURNING LIQUID USED AGAINST FRENCH

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
PARIS, February 26.—Many soldiers in the French trenches have been injured by burning liquids fired against them by the Germans.

GERMAN LUNGE FOILED AGAIN, SAY RUSSIAN REPORTS

Check in Northwest Poland Most Severe—Ossometz Garrison Makes Heavy Sortie

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
Petrograd, February 29.—The general staff is of the opinion that the latest German thrust against Warsaw by von Hindenburg has been successfully foiled and that the German invasion in force from the eastern and southern borders of East Prussia is already as much of a failure as the two rushes against the Polish capital from Gosen and Biala.

The Russian invasion has also been repulsed, with particularly heavy losses to the invaders in casualties, in Poland and in Gosen.

DETERMINED ACTION IN POLAND

The defeat of the Germans before Przemysl appears to be the most complete check yet dealt out to the invaders and General Brusilov, who was in command of the Russian forces at this point, has more firmly entrenched himself in the position regard as the leading general in the field. From the beginning of the war until the present he has been in almost continual victory. The number of prisoners taken by his men from the opening of hostilities until the driving back of the Germans before Przemysl total 1,000,000 men and 188,000 guns.

Yesterday the Russian garrison made a dash in force against the German lines which they were holding back in their attempt to advance from Lwow. The sortie was successful, the Germans being driven still further back and losing a number of prisoners, including several officers.

AUTO BATTERY CHARGE

In the recent fighting before Przemysl, Captain Gourdon was killed, after a brilliant feat, which turned the tide of the battle at the critical period. With an automobile battery, couraged charged into the thick of the German ranks and dealt out terrible destruction. His rapid fire at pointblank range.

RUSSIA HOLDS BOTH ENDS

LONDON, February 27.—The German and Austrian efforts to crumple both ends of the Russian front are reported checked.

Stoedts says officially that Russian reinforcements have opened attack in eastern Poland on the German forces here. The Russians are reported recapturing Stanislaw.

STANISLAUS A PRIZE

BERLIN, February 26.—The Austrian war office today officially claims valuable tactical successes near Stanislaw, an important railroad junction in Eastern Galicia, north of the Bukovina frontier.

WILL PUT STOP TO TRAFFIC IN OPIUM

Signatures to Protocol Represent Greater Part of Earth's Population

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
THE HAGUE, February 12.—The protocol of the anti-opium convention of 1912, which aims at the suppression of opium traffic and international traffic in cocaine and other noxious and habit-forming drugs, was signed at The Hague today by Henry Van Dyke, the American minister to the Netherlands; Tang Sing Poo, the Chinese minister, and de Loon, the Netherlands minister of foreign affairs.

The signing of these signatures to the protocol by these three diplomats puts the convention into immediate force for the signatory countries, which comprise approximately 475,000,000 inhabitants—China with an estimated population of 320,000,000, the United States 100,000,000, and the Netherlands and her dependencies 45,000,000.

At the conclusion of the ceremony Mr. Van Dyke said in reference to the convention: "The terrible fact that this enormous war is in progress should not make civilized nations ignore those things which operate for the welfare of mankind. The opium convention aims at putting a stop to the vicious trade in opium as an intoxicant and at imposing the strictest regulation on the legitimate commerce in opium for purely medicinal purposes. I hope that the three nations which have taken the first definite step in this direction soon will be followed by many others. It is a great satisfaction that China, which has suffered most from the opium vice, has taken this step side by side with the United States, which has been the foremost nation in adopting legislation against this vicious trade, and that Holland, with her immense possessions in the East Indies, should take the same stand."

The international opium conference held a series of meetings at The Hague in June last year, some forty nations being represented. Before adjourning the conference requested Foreign Minister Louren to obtain ratifications from the participating powers.

COAST CHINESE IN BIG BOYCOTT

Six Companies Retaliate Upon Japan for Shantung Demands

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
SAN FRANCISCO, March 1.—The Chinese boycott of all Japanese goods and Japanese business houses and products, instituted by the Six Companies in retaliation for the demands made by Japan upon China, is spreading rapidly through the State and becoming general.

The propaganda of the Six Companies is being carried on throughout the West in some parts of Canada and in Mexico. It is proposed that the boycott will be extended to Hawaii, and that the Chinese importers in the United States take steps to give all their business to companies of lines other than Japanese.

PEACE SOCIETY WOULD END WAR

President Wilson Called Upon to Pave Way For Negotiations Between Lajigerents

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
CHICAGO, March 1.—The resolutions presented on Saturday by the representative of the Wisconsin Peace Society, immediately upon the convening of the National Peace conference, have been adopted without debate as an emergency matter, which need not wait for the completion of the organization and the naming of the standing committee on resolutions.

The Alway resolution calls upon President Wilson to invite the representatives of the neutral powers into a conference to be held at the earliest possible date, which conference will endeavor to negotiate with the European belligerents for possible terms upon which peace may be secured.

Plans have been made for the organization of the conference into a permanent body, to be known as the National Peace organization.

GOVERNMENT MAKES VITAL DISCOVERIES

One Double Gasoline Output and Another Assures Production of Aniline Dyes

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
WASHINGTON, March 1.—Two scientific discoveries, each of vast importance to the successful carrying forward of American industries and one regarded as a priceless military asset, were announced yesterday officially by Secretary of the Interior Lane, in whose department the discoveries have been made.

These discoveries are of chemical processes, developed after years of research work and countless experiments by Dr. Walter Ertman, a chemical engineer on the scientific staff of the bureau of mines.

One of the developed processes is expected, when put into practical use, to enable petroleum refineries to increase their output of gasoline by two hundred per cent.

The other process makes possible the production from crude petroleum of color and of benzol, the bases of various aniline dyes, for which hitherto American fabric mills have depended wholly upon the output of the dye works of Germany. The secret of the processes of dye extraction from crude oil up to the present has been one of the greatest of Germany's chemical monopolies.

Recent dispatches from London have stated that some of the fabric mills of England are facing the prospect of having to close down because of the apparent impossibility of securing further stocks of aniline dyes during the continuance of the war, the German exportation having ceased.

REPRESENTATIVE MURDOCK HEADS PROGRESSIVE PARTY

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
NEW YORK, March 1.—Representative Murdock of Kansas has been chosen as chairman of the national committee of the Progressive party.

THE FRUIT SEASON.

Bowel complaint is sure to be prevalent during the fruit season. Be sure to keep a Lot's of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy on hand. It may save a life. For sale by all dealers, Benson, Smith & Co., Ltd., agents for Hawaii.

RUSSIANS ARE ON OFFENSIVE AGAIN ALONG WHOLE FRONT

Official Advice from Eastern Theater of War Indicate Muscovites Are Forging Ahead Everywhere on Battle Lines

FORCES OF GERMANY ONCE MORE RETREATING

Lack of Trained Officers To Replace Those Killed, Wounded or Captured, Accounts for Heavy Captures Slavs Are Effecting

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
LONDON, March 1.—The official advice from the eastern theater of the war indicate that the Russians are on the offensive along their whole front, from the Niemen, north of East Prussia, to the Pruth river, north of Bukovina, a distance along the battle line of more than seven hundred miles. That the Russians are able to force the fighting in Silesia, Poland, the Carpathians and in Eastern Galicia simultaneously is taken here as evidence of the fact that they have brought large reinforcements into the field, more than offsetting their losses, heavy as these have been.

KAIHER AGAIN RETREATS

In North Poland the German advance has been successfully checked, and the forces of the Kaiser are now reported to be retreating along the whole front, with the Russians pressing steadily and taking many prisoners. The success of the Russians in recapturing all the territory before Przemysl gives them a pivotal point from which to carry on their further operations.

The taking of so many prisoners by the Russians in the recent operations is mentioned by many of the correspondents at Petrograd, inasmuch as the German heretofore have been maneuvered out of the many difficult situations into which their offensives have carried them.

YOUNG OFFICERS ARE LOSING

The fact that now the Germans are losing large bodies of troops and guns is credited by the correspondents to the lack of trained officers to replace the many who have been killed, wounded or captured, and to the further fact that the majority of troops engaged in the Polish and East Prussian campaigns are young and without adequate training.

Heavy fighting is continuing in the Western Galician section and in the Carpathians, where the Russians are endeavoring to complete their earlier successes.

AMERICAN SLAIN BY VILLAISTAS

Report of Execution of Manager of Estate Near Cerritos Forwarded To Washington

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
SAN ANTONIO, Texas, March 1.—Advice received here by the owners of an estate near Cerritos, in the Province of San Luis Potosi, tell of the execution there of the American manager of the estate, named Corvantes, who has been shot by order of the Villa commander of the forest operation in that district.

This report has been forwarded to the state department at Washington, which confirms it, having official information of the happening.

General Alva, a Carranza official at Cerritos, also has been executed by the Villistas, on a charge of having carried out a command from Carranza to cut wood along the railroad and pile it at convenient places for use as fuel in the locomotives to be used for the Carranza troop trains expected.

FAMOUS MONLIN ROUGE DAMAGED BY BIG FIRE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
PARIS, March 1.—A serious fire, which took place at the Moulin Rouge on Saturday, damaged that widely known resort to the extent of one hundred thousand dollars.