

Hawaiian Gazette

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER
U. S. WEATHER BUREAU,
Feb. 14, 1918.—Last twenty-
four hours: rainfall, .00 in.
Temperature: Min. 63°. Max.
77°. Weather, partly cloudy.

| LATEST CABLED SUGAR QUOTATIONS | |
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| Cents Dollars | |
| 96° Centrifugals N. Y. per lb. per ton | 6.000 \$120.00 |
| Price, Hawaiian basis.. | 6.000 \$120.00 |
| Last previous quota- tion | 6. \$120.00 |

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EVERY ATTACK ON GOVERNMENT OF BRITAIN IS BEATEN IN VOTE

After Day and Night Sessions Final Vote Favors Lloyd George's Plans and Without Division Into Parties

ADDRESS OF PREMIER BITTERLY ASSAILED

Parliamentary Tactics of Government's Opponents Met Regularly With Strong Majority For Government Party

LONDON, February 15—(Associated Press)—After another day and night of great excitement in the house of commons the government has finally emerged from the conflict that has raged violent for the past several days completely successful. The house at the close of last night's session adopted an address of reply to the throne and did this without a political division.

Attack after attack was launched by the radicals against the government throughout the day and the night sessions, following the plans under which the attacks had been previously conducted and along similar lines. As fast as one amendment was introduced address was defeated another, in different wording but with similar intent, was launched but all of these proved fruitless and with a regularity which became almost mechanical and methodical each in turn was voted down and the final vote taken without division.

Most of the attacks took the form of hostile amendments which criticised the address of David Lloyd George, the premier. As on the previous days his reticence upon the actions of the Supreme War Council was bitterly objected to. The radicals were insistent in their demands for information and the Premier and the Liberals were equally strong in maintaining silence.

The war policies of the government successfully met all attacks also though charges of failure in the Cambrai sector continued to be voiced by the opposition.

AFTER WAR BOYCOTT ON TEUTONS OPPOSED

NEW YORK, February 15—(Associated Press)—The National Association of Manufacturers, representing thousands of firms, has voted in opposition to the suggestion of a trade boycott on the part of the United States against Germany after the war. This vote was taken in connection with the referendum on the subject called for by the National Chamber of Commerce.

HEALTH IN CAMPS IS STEADILY IMPROVING

WASHINGTON, February 15—(Associated Press)—The war department has announced that there is a continual improvement in the health conditions in the various army camps and cantonments. The epidemic of measles is being checked and the number of pneumonia cases is rapidly decreasing.

RUSSIAN SOLDIERS ARE ACCUSED OF VANDALISM

STOCKHOLM, February 14—(Associated Press)—Russian soldiers are reported to have committed shocking acts of terrorism in the Aland Islands. Rescue parties are to be sent at once.

ON his homeward journey after having been relieved only a few days since the former British ambassador to Washington was stricken with heart failure and died.



SIR ARTHUR SPRING-RICE

FORMER BRITISH AMBASSADOR DIES

Diplomat Who Recently Was Relieved in Washington Expires of Heart Failure

OTTAWA, Ontario, February 15—(Associated Press)—Sir Cecil Arthur Spring-Rice, until a short time ago British ambassador at Washington, dropped dead here late Wednesday evening, heart failure being the cause of death.

The dead diplomat arrived at Ottawa only a few days ago, after having turned his office at the British embassy over to Lord Reading, the new plenipotentiary, named after Sir Arthur had tendered his resignation on account of failing health. Sir Arthur Spring-Rice was fifty-nine years old, graduating into the diplomatic service after a period spent as a clerk in the war office and Downing Street, serving in the latter department as private secretary to Karl Granville and Lord Roseberry. His diplomatic career took him to Brussels, Berlin, Tokio, Constantinople, Tiberan, Cairo, Petrograd and Stockholm, and twice to Washington, once as secretary of the embassy and finally as ambassador. He went to Washington last in 1912, serving until last month.

NEUTRALS REFUSE TO YIELD TO EMBARGO DEMANDS

Willing Not to Re-Export But Insist On Exporting Food Products Which Are Produced By Themselves and Not Imported

WASHINGTON, February 15—(Associated Press)—The government of Norway, replying to the food rationing proposals of the United States, intimates that it is ready to offer full guarantees that no American products will be allowed to reach Germany across Norway or through transshipment in Norwegian ports, but declines to meet the full demands of the United States that it place an embargo upon the export of any food products originating in Norway to the Central Powers.

The United States, when placing an export embargo upon all food products to the northern neutrals of Europe, announced that licenses to export to these countries would be granted when the respective governments entered into binding agreements not only not to re-export the American products but not to permit exports of their own food products which might reach either Germany or Austria.

It was contended that the United States could not allow the sale to Norway, Sweden, Denmark or Holland of American food supplies which might be substituted for food supplies produced in those countries and sold for the benefit of the enemies of the United States. The government of Denmark recently refused to enter into this arrangement, while Holland has protested that she cannot place an embargo upon exports to Germany and retain her neutrality.

VIOLATORS OF FUEL ORDERS INDICTED

Bills Include Operators and Dealers As Well As Brokers Involving Forty-seven

KNOXVILLE, Tennessee, February 15—(Associated Press)—Alleged violators of the regulations of the federal fuel control were brought up with a sharp turn yesterday afternoon when the grand jury in the federal court reported in and returned twenty-three indictments. Involved in the charges which were presented to the grand jury were forty-seven individuals and firms. These include coal operators, dealers and small retailers.

HERO OF MARNE IS FRENCH ACADEMICIAN

PARIS, February 15—(Associated Press)—Marshal Joffre, hero of the Marne, was elected yesterday to membership in the French Academy as one of the regular forty members. The election of the famous general must be sanctioned by the government, according to the rules of the academy, but this is taken for granted.

TEN PERCENT BASIS
NEW YORK, February 14—(Associated Press)—The directors have placed the Union Pacific railroad on a regular ten percent dividend basis.

CHILDREN DIE IN NUNNERY BLAZE

Famous Institution At Montreal Is Scene of Terrible Holocaust For Helpless Little Ones

MONTREAL, February 15—(Associated Press)—The famous nunnery, hospital, asylum and orphanage of the Grey Nuns was destroyed by fire last night and in the smoking ruins of the great structure are the burned bodies of many children. It is feared that the roll of dead will amount to at least a hundred, all children, many of only a few years of age. The fire broke out late at night, the alarm coming from the children's dormitory building. Many of the little ones were rescued, but the nuns were first driven back by the smoke and flames, leaving scores of little ones in the blazing rooms, while the firemen who responded to the general alarm could save only a few, even with their smoke helmets. The inmates of the other buildings were able to leave before the flames spread. Not including the children in the orphanage, there were upwards of a thousand persons in the nunnery and its annexes, including nuns, sisters, priests being cared for in the hospital, convalescents and aged men and women. All are believed to have been rescued. Up to an early hour this morning the bodies of thirty-eight of the children lost had been recovered.

BOLO PASHA HELD GUILTY BY COURT

PARIS, February 15—(Associated Press)—Bolo Pasha is guilty of treason against the French nation and of conspiracy against its government. He was yesterday convicted by the military court before which he has been tried for many days past. It was announced by his counsel when his conviction was reached that an appeal will be taken. The grounds for such appeal are purely technical. When Bolo Pasha was found guilty there followed a great demonstration in the court room. The decision reached was frantically cheered. The news spread quickly to the streets and there were soon great crowds assembled, cheering wildly for France and groaning and hooting at Bolo Pasha and all other traitors to the land.

RAINS IN WEST BRING ABOUT LESS ACTIVITY

NEW YORK, February 15—(Associated Press)—Rains generally along the Western front served as a temporary check of the more violent military activities of the past several days. In other sectors reconnaissance in the form of raids continued, more especially by the French forces. In the fighting on Wednesday in the vicinity of Tahure the French secured and maintained a footing against the enemy and this was yesterday admitted in the official reports of Berlin. In the Champagne sector, where, also, the French have been active recently, the American gunners are proving of great service and recognition of this fact was given in the official French reports yesterday.

FATALITIES THROW GLOOM OVER CAMP

Four Deaths To Aviators and Students Occur Close Together—Planes Collide

FORT WORTH, Texas, February 15—(Associated Press)—Four deaths as the result of air accidents, coming soon after the two fatal accidents of Tuesday, have cast the aviation camp at Tahafora Field into gloom. Yesterday morning Lieut. Peyton March, son of the new chief of staff, General March, who fractured his skull on a fall on Tuesday, died of his injuries. Almost simultaneously with the posting of this news came word of a mid-air accident in which a machine carrying Lieutenant Wray and Cadet Porter crashed to the ground, killing both the aviator and the student. In the afternoon the third fatality of the day, causing the fourth death, occurred. This was in the training camp of the Canadians, the victim of the accident being Aviator Cadet Clifford Murray, of the Royal Flying Squadron, whose machine fell with him. He was of English birth. From the aviation camp at Houston word was received that there had been an aviation accident there in the afternoon, in which Daniel P. Gleason, of Delphi, New York, was killed.

HENNING CHARGE IS DROPPED IN COURT

Government Fails in Case Against Worker Accused of Spoiling Torpedoes

NEW YORK, February 15—(Associated Press)—Paul Henning, German-born American, on trial before Judge Chatfield in the federal court in Brooklyn on a charge of treason, was yesterday acquitted by direction of the court, the directed verdict charge being made at the request of the United States district attorney.

Henning, who was foreman in the gyroscope shop of munition plant engaged in filling a government order for torpedoes, was arrested on information tending to show that he had systematically disarranged the gyroscopes so as to make all torpedoes fitted with them useless. At the trial a government ordinance inscribed on the Brooklyn plant gyroscopes had earlier been detected in the gyroscopes turned out at the E. W. Bliss & Co.'s plant during the period when Henning was foreman of that plant. This inspector showed that through the imperfections in "gyro" parts discovered, the torpedoes might boom or bang and destroy the ship that fired them.

FREER EXCHANGE WITH MEXICO IS PROPOSED

WASHINGTON, February 15—(Associated Press)—The negotiations which have been under way for the furtherance of plans to promote a free exchange of commodities between the United States and Mexico were brought to an end here yesterday, the Mexican representatives being fully informed of the desires of the United States in the matter. These negotiations will now be resumed in the City of Mexico.

WORKERS FAIL TO SHOW UP FOR THEIR DUTIES

BALTIMORE, February 14—(Associated Press)—Four hundred carpenters and joiners of the Bethlehem Steel Company and the Baltimore Drydock and shipbuilding yards did not report for duty here today as expected. Officials say they know of no reason for this.

OPEN RUPTURE IN NEGOTIATION FOR PEACE IS REPORTED NEAR

Central Powers Find It Impossible To Withdraw Troops From Eastern Line Because Petrograd Will Not Sign Treaty

GERMAN PAPERS SHOW AGREEMENT NOT FINAL

Cancellation of Orders For Demobilization Rouses Doubts of Sincerity Or of Authority of Bolshevik Delegation

LONDON, February 15—(Associated Press)—Indications are appearing that the rejoicings of Germany and Austria over the supposed success of the negotiations at Brest-Litovsk for peace with Russia may have been premature. Reports received yesterday and last night indicate that a violent rupture in the negotiations is at hand with the possibility of the signing of a peace treaty glimmering. Despatches received from Munich late last night said newspaper reports received from Brest-Litovsk said the discussion of peace terms was not progressing as had been hoped and a violent rupture seemed imminent.

REFUSE TO SIGN

The breach which threatens appears to be caused by orders issued by the Bolshevik government cancelling the earlier orders for demobilization. Vienna despatches to Amsterdam reported that the Berlin Lokal Anzeiger said the Central Powers' lines along the Eastern Front would have to be maintained in consequence of the Russian refusal to sign the proposed peace treaty. In this was found confirmation of the report that the rejoicing had been premature and the Teutons were once more doubting the good faith of the Petrograd delegation to the conference or inclined to believe that agreements into which those delegates might enter at the conference would not prevail with the Russian national council and fail of ratification there.

SUSPICION ROUSED

Still other reports which had reached Amsterdam earlier said that latest comment in the German press indicated much dissatisfaction and suspicion aroused by the recent Trotsky-German exchanges. Important political and military conferences were seeking to solve the puzzle. All the papers note that the order to stop the circulation of the Russian demobilization order was given out only three hours after the demobilization instructions were issued.

SHIPPING BOARD MAY TAKE SHIP YARDS

WASHINGTON, February 15—(Associated Press)—The shipping board is expected to assume control within a few days of four or five of the private shipyards engaged in government contracts, where the federal inspectors' reports show that they are behind in their work. In almost every case, the reports of the federal inspectors state that the management is found inefficient, while in most of the backyard yards labor difficulties have added to the delay.