

WILSON DEALS BLOW AT PLOTTERS IN U. S.; CALLS FOR STRONG DEFENSE OF NATION

LANSING REPLIES TO BERLIN REPEATING FIRST REASON FOR THE RECALL OF ATTACHES

Declines to Go Into Particulars as to Other Causes Than "Military Activity."

NO MENTION OF HUERTA.

Secretary Intimates That Other Things Do Enter Into Matter, but Keeps Them Secret.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—No doubt is felt at the State Department that a serious diplomatic clash is at hand as a result of the demand for the recall of Capt. Boy-Ed and von Papen, the naval and military attaches at the German Embassy. Germany has made a request for a full explanation of the American demand.

Secretary Lansing has replied that the American Government's request for the withdrawal of the attaches was entirely because of their military and naval activities. This is the original ground upon which he based his demand for recall.

The German Government's inquiry indicated the Berlin Foreign Office intended to contest the withdrawal of the attaches under certain conditions. Lansing's reply was delivered in a long communication which the German Embassy immediately forwarded to Berlin. At the Embassy all comment on it was refused.

When Count von Bernstorff was called to the State Department and advised by Secretary Lansing that the two attaches must leave this country he declared that the Administration might just as well ask for his recall because he was in charge of the Embassy and must be held accountable for the conduct of his aides.

There was no indication of whether the reply would meet the contention of the German Government.

No mention was made by Secretary Lansing of Mexican affairs nor did the name of Gen. Huerta appear. The German Government was informed that an accumulation of circumstances, if not otherwise connected, the attaches with attempts to violate the neutrality laws of the United States.

The Archibald incident, it was said, was mentioned in connection with the case of Capt. von Papen and the trial of the Hamburg-American conspirators was mentioned in connection with the case of Capt. Boy-Ed.

Emphasis placed on the statement that military and naval activities alone were considered was taken to

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300 BULGAR MUTINEERS SAID TO HAVE BEEN SHOT

Entire Infantry Regiment, It Is Reported, Refused to Fight With Turks.

LONDON, Dec. 7.—The report of a mutiny of a Bulgarian infantry regiment, received in Amsterdam from Frankfurt, was forwarded to-day by the correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company.

This report is to the effect that the regiment was ordered to proceed to Gallipoli Peninsula to fight with the Turks, and that when it refused to obey the command 300 of the mutineers were shot.

DOCKS IN HOBOKEN SAVED BY SAILORS IN \$100,000 FIRE

Blaze Sweeps Hexamer Riding Academy and Garage, Threatening Whole Waterfront.

Fire this afternoon destroyed Hexamer's Riding Academy and garage at Nos. 213 to 221 Hudson Street, Hoboken, and threatened to spread to Meyer's Hotel and the Hamburg-American and North German Lloyd docks, only a few yards away from the blazing frame structures.

The Hoboken fire department found itself unable to cope with the situation and the flames would have spread to the waterfront, but for the coolness and bravery displayed by several hundred sailors from the interned German steamships, who, under Capt. Max Muller, of the North German Lloyd line, ran hose across River Street and held the blaze in check.

Father Joseph Kelly, Chaplain of the Hoboken Fire Department, was the hero of the fire. Three firemen were trapped by a back draught and one of them, John Dolan, of Engine Company No. 2, was overcome. Father Kelly rushed in through fire and smoke, seized Dolan and was himself overcome while carrying him out. He and the firemen then were rescued. The priest was burned about the head.

So desperately in need of assistance were the Hoboken firemen that Mayor Griffin stepped in and held a hose for them. The flames, which started in the garage at 1:30 o'clock, spread through the structure within a few minutes. A column of smoke several hundred feet in height towered over the blazing buildings and, seen from New York, it led to reports that the German steamship docks were ablaze.

Shortly after the fire started several explosions of gasoline took place. Buried in front of the structure was a tank containing 400 gallons of gasoline, and it was feared this would explode at any moment. Despite this danger, firemen and employees of the riding academy rushed into the blazing building and rescued fifty horses.

At No. 211 Hudson Street, adjoining the blazing frame building, was the residence of A. Phillip Hexamer, who owned the garage and riding academy. Only twenty yards away was Meyer's Hotel, the biggest hotel in Hoboken. Thirty-five automobiles in the garage were destroyed. The total damage resulting from the fire was \$100,000.

Hexamer, although born in Hoboken, once served as master of the horse. He was educated at Stevens Institute. He went abroad to further pursue his studies and there became head of the Royal Imperial Riding Academy in Vienna. His first wife, heiress to \$500,000, divorced him in 1909 and went to Europe to become the bride of Alois Hurgstaller, a famous tennis player.

THREE STATES SHAKEN BY AN EARTHQUAKE

CALHO, Ill., Dec. 7.—A severe earthquake shock lasting ninety seconds was felt here at 12:45 P. M. to-day. MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 7.—Advices to the local Weather Bureau from various points in the Memphis district state a slight earthquake was felt at 12:45 o'clock. Jonesboro, Ark., reported two shocks. No damage has been reported.

MA-IN-LAW TELLS WHAT SOUL KISS IS; LASTS 2 MINUTES

Mrs. Ketchum's White-Haired Mother Gives Expert Osculatory Testimony in Suit.

HUBBY TRIED TO DODGE

Kept Wife Five Feet Away From Him to Escape Her Kisses.

Mrs. Ada Denyce Brown, white haired mother of Mrs. Ada Brown Ketchum, who is suing her husband, Everett F. Ketchum, well-to-do lawyer, for a separation, to-day gave Supreme Court Justice Blanchard a mother-in-law's definition of a soul kiss.

Hushing, Mrs. Brown, who said she was a society leader of Asbury Park, hesitated before she answered Attorney Abraham Levy's question, "A soul kiss," she said then as she gazed at the ceiling, "I call a lingering kiss."

"Is it a good thing for people to indulge in?" she was asked. "I am sure it's all right for a young girl like my daughter to give her intended husband a soul kiss, especially when they are to be wedded in a few days."

"What do you mean by a lingering kiss?" asked the lawyer. "Holding the lips together for a few minutes. I would say one should linger a few seconds longer than birds do—the bird kiss you spoke about yesterday, Mr. Levy, when you asked my daughter whether her kiss was like the peck of mated birds."

Weeping hysterically, Mrs. Ketchum earlier in the day appealed to Supreme Court Justice Blanchard to keep from the court record her diary, in which, during the fifty days of her honeymoon, she had recorded incidents which she described as the "loving caresses" of her husband.

"I am a woman," she cried out, "only a woman, and I'm not inhuman, as you would have me appear. I have stood all I can of this ordeal."

"But you know, madam," said Justice Blanchard, "he who draws the sword may perish by the sword. Let me inform you that tears will have no impression upon me."

Mr. Levy then returned to the "bird kiss" episodes in the courtship of the Ketchums. The wife testified yesterday she gave her husband a kiss which changed his whole viewpoint of life. The lawyer produced a letter written by her in February of this year, just before the couple finally separated, in which she said she longed to stay away from him so she would not tempt him to kiss her. "Did you ever tempt him to kiss you?" asked Mr. Levy.

"No, I never did, but he always said I tempted him to kiss me and that he knew one kiss had ruined him and therefore he commanded me never to come closer to him than five feet. And I always stayed that distance."

40TH HOUR CYCLE SCORE.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Score. Includes McGnamara and Spears (853), Fowler and Carmen (853), Lawrence and Magin (853), etc.

M'CALL REMOVED; THOMPSON WON'T LET WOOD RESIGN

Alleged Request of Commissioner to Quit Under Fire Is Turned Down.

WOOD DENIES OFFER.

Meantime Head of P. S. Inquiry Hints of Asking Attorney General to Prosecute.

Following the removal of Chairman Edward E. McCall of the Public Service Commission, First District, by Gov. Whitman last night, Senator George F. Thompson, Chairman of the Legislative Committee whose investigations brought about the removal, announced that the resignation of Commissioner Robert Colgate Wood had been offered to him.

Senator Thompson refused to consider the offer of the resignation as a consideration to end the prosecution of charges against Wood. He announced that Wood's admission that he had neglected to obey the law requiring him to make use of stock transfer stamps when he sold out his Public Service securities would be called to the attention of the Attorney General with a recommendation that Wood be made the subject of criminal prosecution.

Commissioner Wood, waiting to be examined here to-day as to his bank accounts by the Thompson Investigating Committee, denied with much emphasis the report that he intends to resign. He was told that some one had telephoned this morning to Senator Thompson at the Hotel Biltmore that his resignation was forthcoming.

"Whoever sent such a message as that," said Mr. Wood, "was playing a foolish trick. It is absolutely untrue that I have offered to resign or have any intention of resigning. And I have not authorized any one to speak for me."

In dismissing McCall from his \$15,000 a year job, the Governor considered only the charge that he did not make "a transfer within the meaning of the law" of the 287 shares of stock in the Kings County Electric Light and Power Company, which McCall said he turned over to his wife before he qualified as a Commissioner. The additional eight charges, with their nineteen specifications, were dismissed by the Governor. McCall, at his home here, declined to discuss the Governor's action.

The ex-Chairman was plainly in an ugly mood when reporters called at his home to-day. A Filipino servant met the first group of reporters who rang the doorbell and he sat down to send for the police if they did not stop ringing and interrupting his morning snoozing. The arrival of a second delegation McCall himself answered.

"I want you to understand that you newspaper men are annoying my servant and I have instructed him not to answer the bell," he said.

"Will you make any reply to Gov. Whitman?" he was asked. "I don't know whether I will or not," he snapped. Then he turned back and said threateningly: "If I do, you will all get it. And I will say it all too."

He slammed the door without explaining what he meant.

Mr. McCall arrived at the office of the Public Service Commission in the Tribune Building shortly before 10 o'clock. If Mr. McCall rode down town from his home, No. 326 West 84th street, the former record of 444 miles 9 laps, made by Egg and Veevi in 1914.

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President Addressing Congress On His National Defense Plan



U. S. SHIP ATTACKED BY U-BOAT IDENTIFIED

She Was the Standard Oil Tanker Petrolite, Cruiser Des Moines Reports.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Word from the cruiser Des Moines was received to-day at the Navy Department to the effect that the American flag sending a S. O. S. call out last Saturday off Crete was the Standard Oil tanker Petrolite, which was fired on, presumably by an Austrian submarine. One man was wounded, advices stated.

HOISTING OF 'L' GIRDER TIES UP BRONX SUBWAY

No Trains Run North of One Hundred and Forty-ninth Street for 45 Minutes and Traffic Congests.

The hoisting and setting of a massive steel girder at Brook and Westchester Avenues, the Bronx, for the new Second Avenue division of the elevated railway caused a tie-up of traffic in the Bronx Park subway section this afternoon. The girder was raised at the point where the subway emerges from the tunnel to reach the elevated structure, and it was decided to risk the safety of passengers on the subway platform and on that of the elevated railroad, as this is a transfer point. A detail of police from the Walton Avenue station was sent to keep order on the platform and passengers received transfers good for twenty-four hours.

PRESIDENT URGES CONGRESS TO PROVIDE PUNISHMENT FOR CITIZEN CONSPIRATORS

"Gravest Threats Against Our Peace Have Been Uttered by These Americans. Such Creatures of Passion and Disloyalty Must Be Crushed Out," He Says in Address.

"They Have Formed Plots to Destroy Plants; Have Entered Conspiracies Against Neutrality of the Government. Hasten Laws to Punish Them."

President Includes Incomes, Autos, Gasoline and Bank Checks in Internal Taxation Plan to Provide Revenue for National Defense.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—President Wilson, in his address to Congress to-day, while making national defense his main theme, struck heavily at Americans of the "hyphenated" class, who, he declared, were plotting against the honor and integrity of the nation. He called for speedy enactment of laws to punish them.

"We are at peace with all the nations of the world," said the President, "and there is reason to hope that no question in controversy between this and other Governments will lead to any serious breach of amicable relations, grave as some differences of attitude and policy have been and may yet turn out to be. I am sorry to say that the gravest threats against our national peace and safety have been uttered within our own borders. There are citizens of the United States, I blush to admit, born under other flags but welcomed under our generous naturalization laws to the full freedom and opportunity of America, who have poured the poison of disloyalty into the very arteries of our national life; who have sought to bring the authority and good name of our Government into contempt, to destroy our industries wherever they thought it effective for their vindictive purposes to strike at them, and to debase our politics to the uses of foreign intrigue."

SECOND WAR COUNCIL IS HELD IN PARIS

Plans Further Discussed By Representatives of Six Allied Powers.

PARIS, Dec. 7.—Another meeting of the general war council of the Entente allies was held to-day.

At yesterday's meeting, which was attended by representatives of France, Great Britain, Russia, Italy, Belgium and Serbia, and was presided over by Gen. Joffre, the French Commander-in-Chief, not all the subjects under consideration were fully discussed making another conference necessary.

Following the council a notable company of military authorities and diplomatists luncheon with Premier Briand. The guests were Gen. Joffre, Field Marshal Sir John French, Gen. Glinzky, aide-de-camp to Emperor Nicholas of Russia; Gen. Porro, Under Chief of the Italian General Staff; Jules Cambon, General Secretary to the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs; the British, French and Russian Ambassadors and the Ministers of Belgium and Serbia.

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BILLY SUNDAY REVIVAL HERE IN JANUARY, 1917

Billy Sunday announced in a telegram sent to Eben E. Olcott to-day that he would come to New York and hold a revival in January, 1917. Mr. Olcott was one of the committee representing many religious denominations which sent to Syracuse to see Sunday last Tuesday and failed at that time to obtain a definite answer from him.

The Rev. Dr. Christian F. Rosner, pastor of Grace Methodist Church, in West One Hundred and Fourth Street, who made the announcement of the receipt of the telegram, was also one of the Syracuse committee. He said this afternoon:

"We shall get to work at once to prepare for the coming of Billy Sunday."

"Their number is not great as compared with the whole number of these sturdy hosts by which our nation has been enriched in recent generations out of virile foreign stocks; but it is great enough to have brought deep disgrace upon us and to have made it necessary that we should promptly make use of processes of law by which we may be purged of their corrupt distempers."

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