

### VILLARD PREDICTS GERMAN UPRISING

N. Y. Editor, Back from Trip, Tells of Hunger and Idleness.

PARIS, March 23.—Oswald Garrison Villard of New York, editor of the Nation, has just returned to Paris from a week's observation of conditions in Germany. He made a report to the American Peace Commissioners and the British Prime Minister, David Lloyd George, by which they are said to have been profoundly impressed.

"The drift toward Bolshevism is rapid in Germany," said Mr. Villard to-day, "and it can be stayed only by prompt food relief and the lifting of the blockade so that trade may begin again and the idle German factories may receive raw materials as fast as arrangements can be made to pay for them."

Food alone, Mr. Villard declared, would not save the situation, though many Germans thought so. "The brutalities of the Noeke troops have put down the uprising for the Ebert Government," he continued, "but have produced a profound reaction. I did not find any responsible person who did not expect another general strike, with more fighting, this month."

"The Ebert Government owes its continued existence in part to the lack of strong leaders on the other side for the people to turn to. Politically, conditions are worse in Bavaria, where the food conditions are better. Everything is quiet in Saxony, though lack of food is greatest there. In Wurttemberg, hitherto the least disturbed German State, there is most disturbing peasant unrest, due to the Bolshevist doctrines."

"It is positively stated in Berlin that there will be raw trains moving in six weeks because of the total exhaustion of the stock of lubricants. The people are worn down and helpless, and the masses are very bitter against the old regime and the officers who dare not show themselves in the streets of Munich and who carry revolvers in Berlin for self protection."

"Many people are still ignorant of the atrocities of the German troops in France, Belgium and Rumania, but soldiers returning from these countries are telling the truth and openly accusing their officers of the most heinous and deliberate cruelties. These statements are heard every day on the railway trains and in the corners."

With reference to the German view of the possible peace conditions Mr. Villard said: "I have talked with several German delegates to the Peace Conference who say that any German Government signing a treaty calling for heavy indemnities and the annexation of territory other than Alsace-Lorraine by the Allies could not live twenty-four hours. They will submit to any peace terms to the Weimar Assembly, and possibly to the German people themselves."

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### FERRIS LEADS FIGHT ON CHAMP CLARK

Oklahoman Also Aspires to Run for Senate in 1920.

### SHOWS NEW PROOF ENEMY SOUGHT WAR

Poincare Reveals "All Consequences" Had Been Weighed.

PARIS, March 23.—President Poincare, speaking to-day at the reopening of the higher Normal School, said Austria and Germany before declaring war on Russia and France created an irreparable situation by the ultimatum to Serbia and by a systematic refusal of any intervention or any conciliation.

"Further discoveries have just brought complementary, if superfluous, proofs," the President said. "Telegrams dated July 25 and 28, 1914, show that Berlin had pushed Vienna to put Europe in the face of an accomplished fact. At the present moment another proof has fallen into the hands of the Government of the Republic."

On July 11, 1914, the Austrian Ambassador in Paris was informed from Ballhausplatz (the Austrian Foreign Office), that the two central empires had reached an entire accord on the political situation resulting from the Sarajevo incident and on all possible consequences.

"An accord on all consequences, mark you. Not only did they declare war, but they sought it, wished it and precipitated it."

### RAISULI PARTISANS BATTLE.

Moroccan Brigands in Clash With Spanish Troops.

TANGIER, March 23.—An encounter has occurred in Morocco between Spanish troops marching from Teptan toward Dar-ben-Kofeh and some partisans of Raisuli, according to information received here from native sources.

Mulid Ahmed ben Mohammed Raisuli, Moroccan brigand and former Governor of Tangier, has been reported dead several times. The latest report, however, stated that he narrowly escaped being slain when ten members of his suite were killed by Spanish troops in a fight at Arzalla in June, 1914. Since then it has been disclosed that Germany had proposed to him that he lead an uprising in Morocco against France.

### Massachusetts Nurse Is Cited.

HOLDEN, Mass., March 23.—Miss Florence L. Hone, army nurse, now in Luxembourg, formerly district nurse in Holden, is the first Worcester county woman to be cited. She has been honored by Major-General Sumner of the Fifth Army Corps for work in the St. Mihiel and Argonne-Meuse offensives.

### MANY RECORDS SET BY 65TH CONGRESS

Appropriations Totalling 57 Billions Made in Its Three Sessions.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—Accomplishments of the Sixty-fifth of war Congress are officially reviewed in the final number of the monthly compendium of the House of Representatives appearing to-day. Unfinished business of the Congress which necessarily must be considered in the legislative programme of the new Congress, soon to convene, also is contained in the publication which was edited by W. Ray Loomis, an official of the House.

"Constituting as it does a statistical retrospection of the accomplishments of the Sixty-fifth Congress," says Mr. Loomis in a foreword to the compendium, "the final issue of the monthly compendium, throws the searchlight on the transactions of three sessions of unparalleled activity. In the Congress met in April, 1917, the country was at peace. In the interim a war had been declared, a war had been won, and a war had been ended. So this issue carries legislative history of a character that perhaps never again will be duplicated, both as to the amount of money authorized to be expended and as to the extent of the revolutionizing of the social and living lives of the people of the nation."

The Sixty-fifth Congress is shown to have appropriated approximately \$37,000,000,000, passed 349 public laws, 48 public resolutions, 43 private laws and conducted 32 congressional investigations. A total of 23,594 bills and resolutions were introduced, of which 16,484 originated in the House and the rest in the Senate. President Wilson vetoed five measures.

President Wilson's part in Congressional matters is set out by a list of notable dates, including his approval of history making laws and his numerous addresses. It is shown that for the first time laws were signed in a foreign country; that for the first time a measure, a revenue bill, was signed on a railroad train; that for the first time a President had addressed the Senate in favor of woman suffrage, had signed a bill to "move the sun forward and then backward," and had gone on the floor of the House to shake hands with members of foreign war missions.

Another unprecedented feature of the Congress pointed out by the compendium was that practically one-fourth of all the laws of the three sessions were approved during the last nine days of the Congress. The President signed 116 bills and resolutions from February 24 to March 4.

Sharp to Leave France April 11. PARIS, March 23.—William Graves Sharp, retiring American Ambassador to France, has decided to sail for home on April 11.

Belgian Monarchs Visit Pershing. CHAMONT, March 23 (delayed).—King Albert and Queen Elizabeth of the Belgians spent the night at the headquarters of Gen. Pershing and left this morning by automobile for Brussels.

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