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MEXICO AND CUBA BREAK RELATIONS BECAUSE OF WAR

Envoys Recalled From Capitals When Governments Sever Relations U.S. SEES TROUBLE AHEAD German Propaganda May Be Back of Mexico's Action

Washington, May 25.—Mexico's sudden and unexpected suspension of diplomatic relations with Cuba is looked upon here as an indirect move against the United States which possibly may foreshadow a breaking of diplomatic relations with this country.

Mexico City, Friday, May 24.—Mexico has severed diplomatic relations with Cuba. This was learned officially late to-day after a report that the Mexican charge d'affaires at Havana and the Cuban minister here had been recalled from their respective posts but had been confirmed at the foreign office.

The Cuban minister to Mexico, Dr. Ezequiel Barcia Ensenat, has not yet arrived in Mexico City, having been appointed only recently. During the interval Dr. Luis Santamaría y Calvo has been acting as charge. It was reported recently that he would leave for Cuba on a vacation and would return with the new minister. The Mexican charge at Havana is Alberto C. Franco.

"Afflicted Situation" The recall of the Mexican representative to Cuba and the suspending of an indefinite time of the sending of new representative is explained officially as due to the fact that because of the war in which Cuba is involved that government has been obliged to dictate measures that affect the interests of the Mexican government in many instances.

For this reason, it is declared, the making of representative to Cuba by the Mexican representative would be forced to make to the Cuban government what would be useless and would restrict the liberty of action of a friendly nation "which is now in an afflicted situation."

Mexico's Statement General Candido Aguilar, Minister of Foreign Affairs, to-night gave out a statement for the purpose of avoiding a misinterpretation of Mexico's action. The statement follows: "The president of the republic and his cabinet at a special meeting has decided that it was an imperative necessity to recall the Mexican representative to Cuba and to suspend for an indefinite period the sending of a new representative because it was considered indispensable measure for the two nations in the actual moments of an acute world crisis. The state of war in which Cuba is involved has obliged the government of Mexico to dictate measures which in many cases affect the interests of the Mexican government and her citizens and for this reason the Mexican representative would be called upon to make frequent representations to the Cuban government which would only be useless and would restrict the liberty of action of a friendly nation which is now in an afflicted situation."

A Critical Period "In consequence, our diplomatic efforts would not produce at this time any practical results and would be of no avail."

EARLY ADJOURNMENT LIKELY Washington, May 25.—Although Congress had prepared to pass new revenue legislation before adjournment, it is expected that an agreement would be reached to postpone action and that a special session might be called after the November election.

PENNSYLVANIANS "OVER THERE" ARE SAVING W. S. S. Are you buying?

THE WEATHER For Harrisburg and vicinity: Generally cloudy to-night and Sunday, probably showers; warmer to-night. For Eastern Pennsylvania: Cloudy to-night and Sunday, probably showers; warmer to-night, gentle to moderate south winds.

River The Susquehanna river and all its branches will probably still or remain nearly stationary. A stage of about 6.0 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Sunday morning. General Conditions Pressure has diminished decidedly in central and northern districts, and is falling over most of the territory east of the Missouri river. Snow was falling at Helena, Mont. There has been a general rise of 2 to 16 degrees in temperature in Pennsylvania.

Temperature: 8 a. m., 59. Sun rises, 5:51 a. m. sets, 8:14 p. m. Moon: Last quarter, June 1. River stage: 6 feet above low-water mark. Yesterday's Temperature Highest temperature, 72. Lowest temperature, 55. Mean temperature, 64. Normal temperature, 64.

The Telegraph Contributes Four of Its Best Men to the Nation



The Harrisburg Telegraph to-day gives the nation's armed forces four of its best trained young men from the printing department. They were given a rousing send-off by their companions, with whom they had served for four years, all having "grown up" with the company.

The men to leave their machines and cases as they appear in the cut above are Charles L. Shields and Isaac Heckert, of Penbrook; Walter Eby, Lemoyne, and Grant Hallman, Mechanicsburg. They left at noon for Camp Meade, where they are certain to make good names for themselves.

Wrist watches and safety razors were presented to the four as a mark of appreciation from their many friends. E. J. Stackpole, president of the Telegraph Printing Company, made the presentation speech, extending to the men the best wishes of the company. The following appreciation from the proofroom staff was read: "We are giving to-day four of the noblest and best of our large family. They go prepared with the right ammunition for each attack over there, being loyal to God, country and self. The braver and wish of each remaining one is, 'God be with you till we meet again.'"

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DAUPHIN SENDS THE BEST OF ITS YOUTH TO ARMY

Red Cross Sees That Men Off to Camp Meade Are Properly Outfitted MORE MEN ARE CALLED City Boards Have Selected Sixty-Seven to Go on June 1

Approximately 110 men left Harrisburg to-day for Camp Meade in a movement of draft registrants to the Army cantonment at Camp Meade, Md. By this evening the Dauphin county youth will have been absorbed in the great Army of the United States, and become a part of the life at Meade.

The city was not called upon to furnish a quota under the call of to-day, but a number of the men who were sent by the county boards were Harrisburg youths. They were accompanied by the Pennsylvania railroad station by a large number of friends and relatives who were on hand to say their last goodbyes.

The train moved promptly from the station at 11.50. It was made up in the city and was not joined by other sections bearing drafted youths from surrounding counties.

Sixty-seven Selected The three draft boards held meetings this morning after which they announced the quotas they will send to Columbus Barracks next Saturday evening. Sixty-seven men will be sent to Columbus Barracks, Columbus, Ohio, from the city.

The men will be summoned before their draft boards Friday at 8 p. m. for final instructions and rollcall. They will leave Saturday at 8 p. m. The county boards have not yet announced their quotas, but will do so early next week. The quotas announced this morning are:

City Board No. 1, eighteen men; John Henry Kime, 313 Verbeke street; Faust Leon Wilson, Grant-ham, Pa.; John Cook Hill, 1924 Penn street; William Lionel Berthel, Jr.

Baseball Game Called Off When Auto Carrying Players Hits Trolley Car The Steelton-Sparrow's Point Bethlehem Steel League baseball game, which was scheduled to be played at Steelton this afternoon, was called off following an accident in which three of the players were injured.

The automobile in which they were going from Harrisburg to Steelton collided at Cameron and Mulberry streets with a Steelton car of the Harrisburg Railway Company, about 1 o'clock.

The three injured players were taken to the Harrisburg Hospital, but were discharged within a short time after slight contusions suffered had been dressed. The players injured were Wilbur L. Davis, James Capid and William Cranston.

Statements concerning the accident made by the trolley crew and the players vary. The motorman claims that he stopped his car when he saw the automobile approaching, and that the motorist ran into it. The players claim that the car ran into the automobile. The motorman says that the driver of the machine had lost control of it.

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TRANSPORT SANK 15 MINUTES AFTER HIT

FIFTY-SIX LOST WHEN U-BOAT HIT BIG TROOPSHIP

Brothers Lost Lives by Jumping Into Sea After Explosion DISCIPLINE IS SPLENDID Yankees Cheer, Laugh and Sing as Steamer Goes Under

London, May 25.—Less than a quarter of an hour after the British armed merchant troop ship Moldavia, with American troops on board, had been torpedoed off the southeast coast of England on Thursday morning, virtually every man had gone over the sides of the vessel into the lifeboats.

Edwin and Clyde Bosley, of North Troy, Pa., last night had gone over the sides of the vessel into the lifeboats. They were not seen after they jumped overboard. Captain Johnson, an American infantry officer, who was on board the Moldavia, gave a Daily Telegraph representative this account of the sinking:

"The ship was struck just forward of the engines on the port side. All the troops were in their bunks and in their uniforms. There was a loud explosion and then the ship's whistle was blown, which was a signal for everybody to come on deck. The men had been assigned to particular boats, and boat drill had been held every day during the voyage. The men assembled in perfect order. Their discipline was splendid, the best I ever saw."

Destroyers at Hand The Moldavia listed to port but righted herself and ran on for about fifteen minutes to avoid being hit again. Then she began to sink steadily. Orders were given for lowering the boats and rafts and we got off."

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American Troops on Way to the Flanders Front



AMERICANS MARCH TO FRONT. An American regiment, part of the new American field army which is under the command of Major-General Liggett, advancing to the aid of the British forces which are manfully defending the approaches to the Channel ports against the Kaiser's forces.

U. S. PROMISES TO DOUBLE AND TREBLE ITS ARMY Great Force to Be in France by Midsummer Will Be Increased

Paris, Friday, May 24.—The American forces in France will by midsummer be double the number Secretary of War Baker recently announced as having been sent here and by the end of 1918 they will be three times larger, said Andre Tardieu, French high commissioner, in a statement issued to the French people on his arrival from the United States to-day.

Secretary Baker announced on May 8 that more than 300,000 American soldiers already had been sent to France.

Red Cross War Fund Over Top With Gold Swamping Compilers Washington, May 25.—The Red Cross war fund to-day reached and passed the \$100,000,000 minimum goal mark and telegrams announcing subscriptions continued to flow into national headquarters at a rate that swamped the compilers. The exact figures could not be determined by the officials who expressed hope the fund minimum would be doubled before the drive ends.

William H. Fisher Dies in Philadelphia Hospital Word was received here to-day of the death of William H. Fisher, 2329 North Third street, at theankenau Hospital, Philadelphia, at 10.35 this morning. Mr. Fisher, who was in his fifty-fourth year, has been failing in health for the past two years. He is survived by his wife and son Kenneth.

Mr. Fisher was assistant freight trainmaster of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company in whose employ he has been for many years. He was treasurer of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, a member of Robert Burns Lodge, 464, Free and Accepted Masons, the Harrisburg Consistory, Perseverance chapter and the local Shrine.

Kaiser's Head to Be Nailed in Market Square The head of the Kaiser will be nailed to-night, with the nails selling at ten cents each and every one is entitled to the privilege of driving a nail into the Kaiser's features.

Flavel Wright will be the auctioneer selling the first nail at what level the audience thinks it is worth. E. F. Davenport has already bid \$75 for the nail, which will be of solid silver.

The stunt will be repeated at Middletown next week. The nailing is done under the auspices of the Harrisburg recruiting party for the benefit of the Harrisburg chapter of the Red Cross.

TWO OPINIONS Two opinions were handed down to-day by Judges Kunkel and McCarrill, in one case the court ordering the Hanning Distilling Company to pay state tax on capital stock for 1914 at the rate of ten mills; and in the other directing the State Insurance Commissioner to consider claims for funds in the distribution of money of the Employers' Indemnity Company of Philadelphia which went into the hands of the receivers.

BIG RECRUITING DRIVE IS TO BE LAUNCHED HERE

Army Officers Ask Youths Who Must Register to Enlist Now The intense recruiting drive to enlist in the Army young men who must register for the draft June 5 will be launched under the auspices of the Harrisburg recruiting party Monday evening, and will last until the evening of June 5. The purpose of the drive is to secure by voluntary enlistment the men who would otherwise be registrants for the next draft.

Monday night the meeting will be held on an open air platform in Market Square with the speakers and music arranged by Mayor Keister and city officials. The meeting will open at 7.30 o'clock, when Jesse B. Cunningham and Senator E. B. Beidleman will make addresses. Music will be furnished by the Municipal Band, with a community song service led by Professor Phillips. The Rev. Dr. George E. Hayes will deliver the invocation and Mayor Keister will preside.

Tuesday evening the drive will be in the hands of the Kiwanis Club which will have Dr. Cyrus Townsend Brady deliver a lecture in the Municipal band will furnish music. Thursday evening the G. A. R., Spanish-American War Veterans, and Veterans of Foreign Wars will have charge of the meeting. Lieutenant John W. Blake will address the meeting for the Spanish-American War Veterans.

It is expected that the club will conduct the meeting Saturday night although no definite decision has yet been reached by the club. Authorities are also making an effort to have the school children of the city stage one of the meetings.

Out on Parole, Colored Boy Slept in Doghouses; Relatives in Court Group An uncle and his nephew and two other boys who are cousins were among the juveniles brought before Judge McCarrill for sentence for breaking parole. The four boys were sent to Glen Mills. Two of them, which raided a number of stores and other business houses in the borough.

Fred Fisher, aged 13, and his nephew, Charlie Chaney, 9, both colored, who were released on probation before the court, were sent to Glen Mills. Testimony given this morning showed that they did not stay at home and that one of them slept in doghouses and under porches. Gilbert Soullard, another of the Steelton youths arrested on a larceny charge, who ran away to Philadelphia, was also released on probation, was ordered to be taken to the Catholic Protectorate for Boys at Phoenixville.

Bar and Harry Schickley, cousins, charged with truancy and incorrigibility, were sent to Glen Mills also. George Brown, colored, who ran away from school at Downingtown where he had been committed, was ordered to be taken there again.

John O. Christley to Die Week of June 10 The week of June 10 was set by Governor Brumbaugh for the execution of John O. Christley, convicted in the Dauphin county court on a charge of murdering his wife at the home of a neighbor in South Thirteenth street. Efforts to prove him temporarily insane failed and the court also refused a new trial on the ground that evidence of insanity of relatives should have been admitted. The Board of Pardons also refused his plea for commutation of sentence.

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INDICATIONS ARE DRAWN TIGHT TO SAVE FOODSTUFFS HERE

Hotels Must Serve Sugar in Individual Portions; Wheat Is Cut Indications that food conservation measures will become more stringent were issued by the Dauphin county food administrator in response to instructions of the state food administrator this morning.

Beginning to-day, sugar will be served in individual portions, and in no case will restaurant and hotelmen be allowed to place it on tables in receptacles for general use according to the new ruling.

All hotels, restaurants and eating houses are limited to serving bread and rolls only in individual portions. No individual service may exceed two ounces of wheat per meal, including victory bread, crackers, pastry and similar products containing wheat.

Penalties Provided These rulings apply to quick lunches, where the sale of sugar (Continued on Page 2.)

ENGLAND BARES PLOTS OF SINN FEIN AND HUNS

Uprising in Ireland Planned For This Year After Successful Hun Drive London, May 25.—Germany's untiring efforts to foment revolution in Ireland with the aid of the Sinn Fein are laid bare in a statement from the Irish press bureau, reviewing the phase of the Irish political situation since the beginning of the war.

After the abortive rebellion of Easter week 1916, plans were made for a revolt in 1917, but this miscarried because of America's entry into the war and Germany's inability to supply the necessary arms. An uprising in Ireland was planned for this year after the German offensive in the west had been successful and when Great Britain presumably would be stripped of troops.

Concerning the recent arrests in Ireland, the statement says that (Continued on Page 2.)

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STEELTON CHIEF OF POLICE QUILTS JOB IN DISGUST

Victor Grove Today Files Resignation, Effective June 1

Declaring he is unable to conduct the Steelton police department efficiently because of council's inability to provide necessary funds, Chief of Police Victor Grove announced to-day that he tendered his resignation as head of the department, effective June 1.

Steelton businessmen were astonished to learn of the Chief's action as it was generally understood that the department was more efficient under the present administration than ever before in its history. Some of the borough's influential men, it is (Continued on Page 10.)

FATAL BURNS FOR BOY WHO CLEANS PIPE

Clothing Is Almost Entirely Burned From Body; Little Skin Remains With his clothing almost entirely burned from his body after the explosion of an alcohol container while he was cleaning his pipe this morning, Roy Keefeauver, 27 North Tenth street, was badly burned at the Dauphin Electric Co. plant, where he is employed. Keefeauver, who is 17 years old, is in the Harrisburg Hospital in a serious condition with his entire body scorched and seared and with skin remaining on but a small portion of it.

Young Keefeauver, an employe of the Dauphin Electric Company, Fifth and Market, during some of his spare moments during the late morning, started to clean his pipe. A small portion of alcohol was poured into a pipe and Keefeauver left the room.

The blue alcohol had burned so low that Keefeauver, on his return, thought it had entirely died out. A small portion of alcohol was poured into the pipe to complete the cleaning operation, but an explosion resulted. The container was shattered and the alcohol was thrown over Keefeauver and about the section of the room in which he was working, all of which was aflame within a few seconds.

Keefeauver started to run through the store towards Market street, his clothing aflame and calling for help. On the street passerby came to his assistance with blankets which were wrapped about him and the flames smothered, but not before all of his clothing had been burned from his body.

Fire extinguishers were quickly used by employes at the Dauphin Electric Company to smother the flames there, so the damage in the store was only slight. A large motor was enveloped by the flames and was burned somewhat, but it was not known this morning whether its coils had been damaged.

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WOMAN FLYER STILL DELAYED

Binghamton, N. Y.—Catherine Stinson is still delayed here this morning by repairs to her airplane and unfavorable weather. She hopes to be able to conclude her flight to New York sometime to-day, but has not yet fixed a time for the start.

SOCIALIST LEADERS' EFFORTS FUTILE Stockholm—Hjalmar Branting, the Swedish Socialist leader declares every effort he made to transmit to the German Socialist party, the London memorandum outlining the war aims of the British labor party, in compliance with a request by the International Socialist Bureau, has been unsuccessful.

"NEW" SOLDIERS SEE RAIDERS American Headquarters on the British Front in France—Several soldiers of the "new" American army now on this front are reported to have been foundered yesterday by bombs dropped by German raiders. This was their first experience with the enemy and all the Americans have heard or seen of warfare has been aerial activity.

HUNS GIVE NO SIGNS IN PICARDY With the American Army in France—Except for artillery activity, the American front in Picardy has been quiet for several days. There are signs behind the German lines of slight movements, but nothing further to indicate that the enemy is preparing to launch an attack here.

GERMAN PROPAGANDA ACTIVE Washington—Confidential reports here from Havana have said that, quite outside the Fabela incident, well-informed persons there expected Mexico might find some pretext to actually suspend diplomatic relations with the United States. All those who take this view base their opinion on the assumption that German propaganda again is active.

ARMY BILL REPORTED Washington—The army bill, carrying direct appropriations of \$9,583,349,808 and authorizations amounting to \$2,458,332,801, was reported to the House to-day by the Military Committee. House leaders planned to begin its consideration Monday.

MARRIAGE LICENSES Fleck P. Mixel, Linglestown, and Hennis R. Early, Harrisburg; Albert Howard Morrow and Helen M. Kleckner, Harrisburg; Paul Clerk and Teres Kotton, Steelton.