

CONTRACTS ARE LET FOR BATTLESHIPS

First Active Step Toward Enlarging U. S. Navy Taken By Naval Board

U. S. WILL SOON HAVE BEST NAVY IN WORLD

Plans Are Also Ready to Be Presented to Congress for Increasing Army

Washington, Oct. 18.—A definite step toward enlarging the navy was taken today, when contracts for the construction of 22 fighting craft were let, which were authorized by the last congress. They are six big cruiser destroyers, 32-knot boats, each to carry 12 torpedo tubes, 4-inch guns, and two 3-inch anti-air craft guns, and 16 coast defense submarines, each displacing more than 500 tons, and each equipped with a 3-inch disappearing rifle for surface fighting. The day set a new record for the department in the number of contracts awarded.

One destroyer will be built at the Norfolk navy yard and one at Mare Island, Cal. Most of the submarines will be built on the Pacific coast. Big Fleet Planned.

According to plans laid out by experts of the navy and war departments, these expenditures would produce by 1925 a first line of dreadnaughts and battle cruisers numbering 43, a fleet of coast defense submarines that would fringe the Atlantic and Pacific coasts, with an almost solid line of defense against attacks; a fleet of nearly 175 destroyers, and squadrons of huge seagoing fleet submarines, to operate with the battle squadrons at great distances from shore.

For the army there would be at the end of six years a trained force of 1,200,000 men, including a regular army of 140,000 and the proposed continental army and reserves; a ring of fully manned coast defenses, equipped with the largest and most powerful guns built, and a vast reserve of field guns, machine guns and howitzers and big guns and ammunition.

President Convinced.

Washington, Oct. 18.—A national defense program that probably means an expenditure on the army and navy of upwards of a billion dollars, in the next six years, will be laid before the people by President Wilson November 4, when he goes to New York to make his first public address since the scope of the policy upon which his administration has embarked became known.

The president will speak before the Manhattan club of New York, on national defense and the reasons which impelled him to improve plans which about doubled the navy and quadrupled the fighting forces ashore within a few years.

New Expenditures.

With the estimates of the war and navy departments submitted for the coming year, the breadth of the administration's policy as to preparedness is being realized. It shapes as follows:

A navy of new ships and increase in personnel in five years: \$500,000,000.

Army—For reserve material (arms and ammunition) within four years, \$105,000,000.

For new coast defenses and modernization of old force, within four years, \$81,000,000.

For the new continental army and the proposed increase in the regular army, \$28,000,000. (This announcement probably will be a continuation and, if anything, increasing appropriation during the first six-year period, which would make the total expenditure at that time, \$156,000,000.)

The grand total of expenditures thus actually planned would be \$822,000,000.

NEW HAVEN CASE NOW IN COURTS

New York, Oct. 18.—The alleged unlawful methods by which the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad company is charged with having secured a monopolistic grip on the transportation traffic in New England was set forth today to the jury by Robert W. Base, government counsel, in opening the case for the government at the trial of William Rockefeller, Lewis Casse, Levard and Edward Robbins, and eight other past and present directors of the road, for alleged conspiracy to violate the Sherman law.

CHICAGO VICTORIOUS

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 18.—The speed of its backfield gave the team of the University of Chicago a 17-7 victory over Indiana Saturday, after one of the hardest fought battles ever contested between the two institutions.

HE SUCCEEDS DUMBA AS AUSTRIAN ENVOY



Baron Erich Zwiedenek von Sudenhorst.

REV. CRAIG SLATED FOR DICKINSON

Will Be Succeeded Here By Rev. W. J. Hutchison of Broadway Church, Fargo

GENERAL REGRET OVER DEPARTURE OF CRAIG

Genuine regret is being expressed on all sides over the announcement that Rev. R. H. Craig, pastor of the McCabe Memorial church, has been transferred to Dickinson. No man will be missed in this city by more people than Dr. Craig. Since coming to Bismarck he has made a host of friends, and he will leave with truest wishes of all of them.

Dr. Craig is a big man, both in stature and in mind, and has made a real impression on the members of his congregation.

He will be succeeded here by Rev. W. J. Hutchison, at present pastor of the Broadway church of Fargo. Dr. Hutchison is regarded as one of the ablest men in the Methodist conference, and is a worthy successor to Rev. Craig. He will receive a hearty welcome from the outgoing pastor members of the parish and the official board.

New Superintendent.

Dr. S. A. Danford, district superintendent for the past 11 years, whose term expired this year, was named by the Bishop as state humane officer, a position which he has held for several years. Rev. J. G. Moore, D. D., of St. Thomas, N. D., an oldtimer in the state and at present superintendent of the Minot and Grand Forks district, will succeed him here as district superintendent of the Bismarck district.

Dr. Moore will move to this city in a short time and take up his residence here. He was also named at the recent conference in Fargo as a delegate to the national conference.

Dr. Danford has no plans for the future, other than that he will retain his residence in this city. The small, cautious attacks made on him at the recent conference were dismissed. Dr. Danford has been connected with ministerial work in this state for the past 23 years and has a legion of friends throughout the state.

List of Appointments.

- The following is a complete list of the appointments in the four districts of the state:
- Fargo District.
- James Anderson, superintendent—Fargo, N. D.
- Berlin—Roy Bedding.
- Caledonia and Center—Supply: A. L. Lindstrom.
- Casselton—H. P. Cooper.
- Cogswell, Forman and Havana—T. J. Chappel.
- Cooperstown—R. J. Stinson.
- Dacey and Rogers—L. A. Dodge.
- Dickey—F. W. Cannon.
- Edgley—H. W. Hynes.
- Ellendale—G. W. Cooper.
- Elliott and Engelvale—L. E. Watson.
- Enderlin—W. J. Walker.
- Erle and Absaraka—Arthur Edwards.
- Gueph to be supplied—V. L. Merchant.
- Fairmount—W. C. Sage.
- Fargo Broadway—F. S. Hollett.
- Fargo, First—J. M. Walters.
- Hunter—O. L. Anthony.
- LaMoure—F. H. Farrand.
- Leonard—B. J. Ballard.
- Lidgerwood—J. M. Loach.
- Lisbon—E. F. Elayer.
- Mayville and Grandin—To be supplied.
- Minor—Supply, J. H. Spicer.
- Nortonville and Jud—To be supplied.

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RECOGNITION FOR CARRANZA GOVERNMENT

Pan-American Conference Brings About Great Change in Mexico

EUROPEAN COUNTRIES WILL TAKE LIKE ACTION

Carranza Promises Protection to Lives and Property and to Clergy

Washington, Oct. 18.—Diplomatic relations between United States and Mexico will be formally renewed tomorrow after a lapse of two years and eight months, by the formal recognition of Venista Carranza, as the chief executive of the de facto government of Mexico.

Secretary Lansing and the Ambassadors from Brazil, Chile and Argentina and the ministers from Bolivia and Uruguay and Guatemala, constituting the Pan American conference on Mexican affairs, decided on the form in which their representative government would present recognition and fixed tomorrow as the time for the act. Afterwards Secretary Lansing made this announcement: "The congress, under instruction from their several governments, will recognize tomorrow the de facto government of Mexico, of which Carranza is the chief executive."

Each government will address to General Carranza a letter or note of recognition to be delivered to Eliseo Arredondo, personal representative of General Carranza here. Mr. Arredondo, who is a first cousin of Carranza, will leave here Wednesday or Thursday to convey in person the letters of recognition to him.

With the decision on the form of recognition the Pan American conference on Mexican affairs adjourned. Five meetings in all have been held, the first two being devoted to the appeal to the contending Mexican factions to reach an agreement on their internal affairs. In view of the failure of the important elements to agree, the conference agreed that the recognition should be accorded to the strongest faction.

Since recognition was agreed on a week ago, official reports showed that material changes for the better have taken place in Mexico, that railroad and telegraph lines are being replaced and that conditions are fast becoming normal in many places. Thousands of troops hitherto under arms have taken advantage of the offer of amnesty, and laid down their arms, and Secretary Lansing and the Pan American diplomats feel that a fair start has been made toward restoration of peace and reconstruction, the success of which depends now on the administrative ability of Carranza and his advisers.

Protect Foreigners.

Assurances have been given by Carranza that foreigners will be protected in their lives and property, that claims will be paid, that amnesty will be given to political enemies who swear allegiance to the new government and that there will be no persecutions of the clergy.

Tomorrow's action will mean the immediate proclamation of embargo on arms, in accordance with the joint resolution passed by congress in March, 1912. All consular representatives of the Carranza government will be recognized in their official capacity. It is understood incidentally that the American consular service in Mexico will be reorganized.

Most of the European governments will follow the lead of the United States.

An American ambassador to Mexico has not yet been selected.

NEW YORK BAKER DIES AT HOME

New York, Oct. 18.—Robert B. Ward, head of the bread baking companies bearing his name in many cities and widely known as a leading figure in the baseball league, as president of the Brooklyn club, died tonight at his home in New Rochelle, after a brief illness, at the age of 63 years.

Mr. Ward was born in New York City, the son of a banker, and in early life followed that occupation, going to Pittsburg, where he set up in business, married and prospered. Later Mr. Ward came to New York and organized baking companies here and in Chicago, Boston, Buffalo and other cities.

Mr. Ward was taken ill with rheumatism last Tuesday and complications hastened the end. He is survived by his widow, four daughters and five sons.

TO HOLD CONSISTORY.

REPORT OF DIST. SUPT. S. A. DANFORD

Reviews Work Done in Bismarck District During His Regime of 11 Years

MANY NEW CHURCHES BUILT DURING TIME

Calls Pastors "Heroes of Prairies" For Great Work They Have Done

The following is the complete annual report of District Superintendent S. A. Danford, who has been in charge of the Bismarck District of the Methodist Episcopal church for the past 11 years:

Bishop and Brethren: In making my sixth report of Bismarck District and my eleventh as presiding elder and superintendent in this conference I wish to record my thanks to God for continued health and strength and blessing upon my soul, and to my brethren for their cooperation in any work and forbearance with my many shortcomings.

These have been wonderful years and I am glad I have had the chance

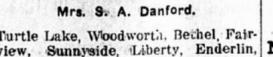


Dr. S. A. Danford.

to do my part in laying the foundations of the church in this new country. My only regret is that we have not done more and better.

A brief record of what has been accomplished under my supervision in a material way will be interesting and valuable as a matter of fact and record, and since my supervision has been over much of the same territory during the eleven years, I will name the churches in alphabetical order that have been dedicated under my supervision in that time. They are as follows:

- Ashley, Bismarck, Bowman, Beach, Cleveland, Center, Dawson, Douglas, Edgley, Emmet, Gwyther, Guelph, Hettinger, Hurdsfield, Jamestown, Linton, McKenzie, Driscoll, Mott, Marshall, McClusky, Moffit, Sterling, Napoleon, Nortonville, Two Lakes, Robinson, Rural, Steele, Stanton, Taylor,



Mrs. S. A. Danford.

Turtle Lake, Woodworth, Bechel, Fairview, Sunnyside, Liberty, Enderlin, Tyson, Allen, Valley City, Tower City, Zion, Verona, Pingree, Denhoff.

New Churches Built.

Besides the above half a hundred new churches, we have built new parsonages in the same at Ashley, Bismarck, Bowman, Beach, Berlin, Cleveland, Center, Dickinson, Ellendale, Goodrich, Guelph, Hettinger, Jamestown, Linton, Mandan, Mott, McKenzie, McClusky, Moffit, Oakes, Dickey, Underwood, Napoleon, Washburn, Broadway (Fargo) and Fargo First, Douglas, Bethany, Wynnewere, Wahpeton and Cogswell, making a total of 35 new buildings added to the Methodist property in the southern half of the conference. I do not know the value in money, but it will well average up with older conferences, as the buildings are not snags or makeshifts, but valuable permanent structures built to house Methodism for many years, besides, contrary to my own expectations, we are leaving the district practically free from burdensome debts. The last old debt that was worrying us was cleared off a few weeks ago, and we burned the mortgage. Whatever of indebtedness my successor will find is in business shape and is provided for, either with notes or subscriptions.

It might be interesting also to hear the names of the preachers I have licensed in this same time.

They are as follows: Harley Zeller, L. M. Flowers, C. U. Prior, Roy Bedding, W. A. Mareke, T. W. Hedke, W. R. Thatcher, John Sherman, J. H. Miller, F. L. Greene, W. R. Peterson, Gust Book, Leslie Bergum, C. B. Madsen, Ray Dorson, A. W. Porter, Robert E. Hedke, G. A. Pined, Roy Swartz, N. L. Rockwell, C.

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Suffrage Fight On In Jersey

Newark, N. J., Oct. 18.—The vigor of the present campaign waged by the workers for suffrage rose to its highest pitch tonight, election eve, in every section of New Jersey. All day the yellow banners of the suffrage associations and the green, white and purple of the woman's political union fluttered from hundreds of automobiles from Cape May to the New York line, and tonight there were few communities in the state, even of the smallest, where the voices of feminine orators were not lifted in the streets for the cause.

The so-called whirlwind finishes of bygone campaigns within the memory of living voters have failed to equal tonight's activity.

President Wilson's vote for suffrage will be cast in Princeton.

Any man's guess or any woman's was as good as any other as to how the battle would go tomorrow. Both sides expressed confidence of victory.

MANY FILE ON FIRST DAY FOR BERTHOLD LAND

Registration Is Heavy At All Filing Places—Look for Crowds Today

BOOTHS KEPT OPEN UNTIL MIDNIGHT

An exceptionally large number of landseekers registered yesterday for lands in the Berthold reservation which will be thrown open to homesteaders by the federal government. The heaviest registration was reported from Minot, where practically 2,000 persons registered up to midnight last night.

About 700 people had registered at the local booths when they closed last night, and 465 registrations were reported from Plaza, the third registration point.

Notaries in the local booth which is located on Fourth street alongside of Webb Brothers store, registered landseekers from all parts of the country. The office is kept open until midnight.

A big rush is expected today when the landseekers from the Twin Cities come in. The new low rate from the Twin Cities of \$5 for the return trip, went into effect Sunday, and hundreds will take advantage of it.

The lands in the Berthold tracts to be opened is some of the best in the state and it is believed 10,000 registrations will be reported before October 30, the last day on which registration can be made. The drawing will take place Nov. 4.

The land has been appraised at values running from \$2.50 to \$9.00 per acre, and is in tracts of approximately 160 acres.

SCHOONER WRECKED ON MALPASS ROCKS

Nine Members of Crew Dashed to Pieces on Rocks

By Waves

Point Arena, Cal., Oct. 18.—One after another, seven men and two women who had fought their way to Mal Pass Rocks, after escaping today from the wrecked gasoline schooner, Alliant No. 2, were dragged back into the sea by pursuing combers. Eight were swept to death. The ninth, Rael Mediner, was slung ashore alive.

H. R. Jones of Vancouver, the mate, was the only other member of the ship's company of ten who was saved.

The schooner sailed from Vancouver, B. C., October 9, for Mazatlan, Sinaloa, and piled up on Mal Pass rocks 2 miles north of here early today. She had aboard ten persons, including Miguel Abilla, owner, his wife and a woman companion.

ALLIES OCCUPY TERRITORY RECENTLY ACQUIRED BY BULGARIA FROM TURKEY

Serbian and Montenegrins Offer Stubborn Resistance to Invading Armies.

HEAVY FIGHTING REPORTED ON EAST AND WEST FRONTS

London, Oct. 18.—The report that the Allies have occupied Strumitsa and landed at Enos, which was recently changed from Turkish to Bulgarian rule, has caused a more optimistic feeling through the allied countries. As to the progress of the near eastern campaign, it is known from both Serbian and German accounts that Field Marshal von Mackensen's army is meeting with greater resistance than was expected and although it is probable that the Serbians must eventually fall back on stronger strategic positions in the north, the fact that the Allies are bringing heavy forces against the Bulgarians and so placing them that Bulgarians will be compelled to divide their armies, gives hope here that the Germans may be balked in their latest attempt to reach the Aegean sea and bring assistance to the Turks.

CITIZENS GREET MAYOR OF CHICAGO

"Heavyweight" Mayor of Windy City Here For Few Minutes on Way East

"WE WANT TO VOTE" DELEGATION ON HAND

William Hale Thompson, mayor of Chicago, and regarded, at least by himself and his ardent friends, as a presidential possibility, favored, Bismarck with a ten-minute call yesterday. The Windy City chief executive professed a desire to stay longer, but just at this juncture the train began to move; the porter picked up his "step," and the mayor was compelled to do a conductor's quick flip to avoid having his wish come true.

Thompson is a big man—that goes any way the reader wishes to take it. To the naked eye he is decidedly visible—about 200 pounds of him appearing above the skyline. And he is a big man in the sense that he is evidently wholehearted, sincere and honest. Yesterday he had the appearance of a man who had not long left his couch, but he forgot none of his gallantry when a party of Bismarck's fair sex came up to his car to extend a hearty "glad hands."

He chatted easily with the ladies, and just as freely with the mayor and members of the city commission and officers and the rank and file of the Commercial club; state and county officials, common citizens and uncommon ones. He chatted, but avoided saying anything. The same was true of the remainder of his party, which was composed of some very agreeable gentlemen, including members of the Chicago board of aldermen and lawmakers who do the business of their state at Springfield.

A most competent, open-faced, attractive individual who had charge of the expedition, and who was the last man of the party to leave Bismarck, informed the reception committee that he had endeavored to obtain a special train, in order that the mayor's time might be equally divided between Bismarck and Fargo. No rolling stock seemed available at this end of the line, however,—probably because the railroads are preparing for the rush of traffic expected to originate at the eastern end of the line—and therefore ten minutes was all that could be spared.

If the mayor said anything on the suffrage question, Bismarck ladies have refuted an old slander cast upon their sex—they can keep a secret inasmuch as the ladies helped somewhat to elevate Mr. Thompson to first place in the second city it was expected that if he had anything to say it would ring pleasant in suffragette ears.

The greeting party was not as large as had been anticipated—a tribute to Bismarck's church-going proclivities. When the populace of any city is more interested in a somewhat distant chance of seeing Heaven than it is in a certain prospect of seeing the mayor of Chicago, there are grounds for hope.

TOO HANDY WITH GUN.

Tornberg, Who Wounded Companions, Sentenced to the Penitentiary.

Devils Lake, N. D., Oct. 18.—Adolph Tornberg, who created a sensation two weeks ago at Rolla by shooting two of his comrades, has entered a plea of guilty to the charge of assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill. A sentence of five years in the state penitentiary was meted.

Steamer Sunk.

London, Oct. 18.—Lloyd announces that the Norwegian steamer Salerna of 1,339 tons, has been sunk, and that

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