

## WANT WHEAT, COTTON, MEAT NOT LUXURIES

States New "Order in Council" of Great Britain Yesterday.

### AUTOMOBILES ARE ALSO BARRED ENTRY

Action Forced on Country by the Shortness in Tonnage Caused by German Submarines.

London, March 17.—A far-reaching order-in-council which will totally prohibit importation into the United Kingdom of a large number of articles which come under the general heading of luxuries will be issued by the British government at an early date.

### Includes All Countries.

Among the things placed under the ban will be automobiles for private use, musical instruments, cutlery of all kinds, hardware, yarns, chinaware, fancy goods and soaps. The order will apply equally to all countries including the British dominion and colonies. This forecast of the coming order-in-council was given to the Associated Press today in an interview by Walter Runciman, president of the board of trade. Mr. Runciman admitted that articles in addition to those named would be placed on the list of prohibited imports but in advance of the issuance of the order he declined to say what they are. He agreed that the decree would have considerable effect on exports from the United States, but pointed out it applied to all countries alike and declared it was absolutely necessary to limit the shipment of bulky luxuries in order to provide room on ships for necessities.

### Shortness of Tonnage.

"But please remember," said Mr. Runciman, "that the issuance of this order is forced on the country—not as a matter of policy but entirely because of a shortage in tonnage. We want exports from the United States; we want your wheat, cotton and meat, and we need other things which we cannot get if the space aboard vessels is taken up with luxuries."

### Doing All Possible.

"Everything possible is being done to relieve the shortage in ships. Every ship flying the British flag is now controlled by the government. Immense numbers of them have been requisitioned, others are subject to direction by way of licenses. Whether it will be necessary to requisition more vessels I cannot say, but for my own part, I hope this will not be done."

### Fresh Fruit Next.

Mr. Runciman said the importation of some fresh fruit probably would be prohibited later, but he pointed out that this would affect the United States only slightly. Turning from the matter of imports to the general industrial situation in the British Isles, Mr. Runciman said there never had been greater activity in the larger industries, that wages were higher than ever before, and that the percentage of unemployed never had been so small in the history of the country.

### Washington Expected Order.

Issuance of new orders-in-council restricting imports into the United Kingdom had been anticipated here in Washington for some time, but the belief has been that they would apply only to neutral countries and not to Canada or other British possessions. American trade will be seriously affected by the action, but it is realized since there is to be no discrimination there will be no ground for protest by the United States.

## Taft Praises Irish Race

Chicago, March 17.—High tribute was paid Irishmen and women for the part they have taken in the development of the United States by William H. Taft, in an address delivered here tonight at the St. Patrick's day banquet of the Irish Fellowship club.

"There has been an easy amalgamation of the Irish with our American life," said Mr. Taft. "They have added much to the composite Americans made from various European stocks. They have softened the American wit, they have added to American tenderness. They have increased the spirit of good fellowship, added to our social graces, increased our poetical imagination and made us more optimistic."

### PARADE IN NEW YORK.

New York, March 17.—With the temperature only 20 degrees above zero and in the face of a stinging wind, nearly 2,000 members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians in New York county paraded up Fifth avenue this afternoon in honor of St. Patrick's Day. Crowds lined the sidewalks along the way and cheered the procession.

### NEUROLOGIST DEAD.

Paris, March 17.—Gilbert Gallette, the famous French neurologist, is dead, aged 43.

## Presidential Primaries On Tuesday, March 21; Do Your Duty and Vote

North Dakota will voice its presidential preference next Tuesday. On that date a national committeeman will be selected and ten delegates to the national convention will be chosen by the Republican and Democratic parties.

## FAMOUS ROTT CASE DECIDED

Supreme Court Decides an Important Question on Alienation.

A case that has attracted much attention for a long time and which has gone through the district court and been appealed to the supreme court by the defendant, was decided yesterday and the opinion was written by Chief Justice Fiske. The style of the case was: Mrs. Eva Rott versus Helen Goehring, and was brought for alienation of a husband's affections. The history of the case developed in court some very interesting matters, and when the post cards from the defendant to the husband of the complainant were read, the gravity of the assemblage was gravely shaken. Likewise when the cards, letters and other matter were given in the defense to show that the defendant had not been to blame, some racy and interesting material was read before the court.

\$5,000 Was Sought. Mrs. Rott sued for \$5,000, but the court allowed only \$1,500. This was sustained by the supreme court without change.

## AMERICA SELLS 678,443 HORSES TO EUROPE

Washington, March 17.—The United States shipped 678,443 horses and mules valued at \$131,914,000, to Europe for the allied armies in the last year and a half, according to export figures assembled today in the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce.

## ESTABROOK AT DEVILS LAKE

Large Crowd Greeted New York Man at Meeting Last Night.

Devils Lake, March 17.—Special: One thousand people greeted Estabrook this evening, when he appeared here in his speaking tour over the state in the interest of his candidacy for president. Mr. Estabrook was greatly pleased with the way things were going in this part of North Dakota. Mr. Estabrook will close his campaign in a speech at Grand Forks Saturday night.

The fact that the people were in ignorance of Senator LaFollette's vote in congress on the tariff measure has had much to do with the popularity of the Wisconsin man's candidacy in North Dakota, as he was the only republican in congress voting with the democrats in favor of the low tariff on wheat.

### FAMOUS REFORMED BANDIT SERIOUSLY ILL IN MISSOURI

Less Summit, Mo., March 17.—Cole Younger, former bandit, who is ill at his home here, was considered to be in a serious condition tonight by his physician. He passed a favorable night last night, but suffered a relapse this afternoon.

### TO RAISE ENDOWMENT OF \$3,000,000 FOR MINISTERS

New York, March 17.—The raising of an endowment fund of \$3,000,000, the income from which will be used to pension aged ministers, has been undertaken by the commission of missions of the National Council of Congregational churches, it was announced today.

THE WEATHER.  
North Dakota: Generally fair Saturday and Sunday; colder in south and east portions.

## TEUTONS HALT VERDUN ATTACK; QUIET REIGNS

North of Fortress Very Heavy Artillery Fire Keeps Up.

### CONSTANTINOPLE REPORTS VICTORY IN PERSIA

Austrians and Italians Continue Hard Fighting Along Front.

London, March 17.—Again the intensity of the fighting around Verdun has dwindled perceptibly. Only the artillery arm of the opposing forces are active. No infantry or counter-attacks are being engaged in.

Around Le Mort Homme, where furious battles have recently been fought, comparative quiet reigns. Even the bombardments here are only intermittent.

Northeast of the fortress, however, around Douaumont and Apremont, the Germans are hurling shells against the French positions. North of Verdun near the right bank of the Meuse important German ammunition depots have been blown up by the French guns at Champeville.

Constantinople reports that the British in Mesopotamia are in general retreat from the Felahie region, with the Turks in pursuit.

The hard fighting between the Italians and Austrians continues at various points, especially in the Isonzo region, but no changes in positions have resulted. Little fighting of importance is taking place on the Russian front.

Petrograd reports the capture of the town of Mamakhan by the Russians from the Turks. The town is some 60 miles west of Erzerum on the Euphrates river.

Sunk By Mine. It has been confirmed that the Swedish steamer, Marthe, which was lost near Falsterbo a fortnight ago, was sunk by a German mine inside Swedish territorial waters.

Turkey Wavering. There are again persistent reports that Turkey is preparing to abandon the Central Powers and sue for peace, according to an Athens dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Co. The newspaper, Moudjehabeh, of Saloniki says Turkey is preparing to announce to the Entente allies through the American embassy at Constantinople the willingness to co-operate with the Ententes against Bulgaria.

### AIRMEN KILLED.

London, March 17.—Three British airmen, Lieutenant Johnston Beaumont and Laidlow, were killed yesterday, in accidents while on experimental flights. Lieutenants Johnston and Beaumont were killed on the ocean east of Scotland, and Lieutenant Laidlow at the Hunden aerodrome.

### TUBANTIA STRUCK BY SUBMARINE.

The Hague, March 17.—The ministry of marine announces that the Dutch steamer, Tubantia, which was sunk by a torpedo, the wake of which they saw. The ship was struck six feet below the water line on the starboard side. Dr. Luis Hallas Vera, Bolivian minister to Germany, who

## HUNTING MEXICAN BANDITS A FAVORITE SPORT IN NEW MEXICO



Hunting Mexican bandits is a favorite sport in New Mexico these days. Photo shows members of citizens' posse of Columbus who accounted for some of Villa's outlaw followers. A good Villista—meaning a dead one—is shown in the foreground.

## PREPAREDNESS HOLDS BOARDS IN CONGRESS

Socialist Member Only One Who Is Opposed to the Program.

### NEXT WEEK BEFORE VOTE IS TAKEN

Many Amendments Are Being Offered to the Committee's Bill.

Washington, March 17.—National defense legislation overshadowed every other legislative business today. The fact standing out most sharply from a whole day of debate and discussion was that only one voice had been raised against military preparedness as a national policy—that of Meyer London of New York, the only socialist member of congress. The house completed more than half of its set scheduled ten-hour debate on the army bill. More than two scores of members expressed their views. The great majority favored the committee bill, which is the most sweeping military measure ever considered in peace times. Many amendments to be offered were announced, and the prospect of passing the bill by tomorrow night virtually vanished. It may be next week before the vote is taken.

In the senate Chairman Chamberlain announced he would seek to have the military committee's perfected army bill taken up next Monday.

### Attacked Sharply.

The bill was attacked sharply in the house by Representative Gardner of Massachusetts, republican. He declared that while "it makes a noise like preparedness, it is not a very noisy noise." To support his assault on the figures as to what the bill would accomplish, as prepared by Representative Hay, Mr. Gardner read a copy of a letter from Secretary Baker, the new head of the war department.

The latter disputed the accuracy of the figures by which Mr. Hay sought to show that 1,217,790 men would be immediately available for the national army if the house bill were enacted. Using the same method of calculation as that employed by Mr. Hay, it said, "we should have no available without any legislation 1,281,790 men, who have had some military training."

### OPPOSES PUGET SOUND.

Washington, March 17.—Rear Admiral Benson, chief of the bureau of operations, told the committee today that San Francisco bay should have a navy yard "adequate to build as many battleships as might be necessary for the Pacific coast. He said a first class plant there would be vastly more valuable than one at Puget Sound and that he did not favor the \$2,000,000 appropriation passed by the senate yesterday for improvement of the Puget Sound yard.

San Francisco, the admiral argued, was more central than Puget Sound.

### LANE REPRESENTS WILSON.

San Diego, March 17.—Franklin K. Lane, secretary of the interior, and Mrs. Lane arrived tonight for the dedication tomorrow of the Panama-Pacific International exposition. Mr. Lane is here as the personal representative of President Wilson.

## Contents of German Note Made Public

Similar to Press Dispatches and Gives Orders to English Sea Captains.

Washington, March 17.—The text and appendices of the German memorandum, by which neutral nations were notified that armed merchant ships of the nations at war with Germany would be treated as war vessels, were made public by the state department today.

Except for slight variations in translation, the texts are identical with the versions given out in Berlin and sent to the United States in press dispatches.

### Contains Copies of Orders.

The documents include what is purported to be copies of instructions to British sea captains for guidance and use in maintaining armament captured on British ships.

The British version differs materially from the Germans. This has been explained by the statement that the instructions made public in London were of later date than those in German possession. It had already been said at the state department that the question will be viewed by this government in the light of the instructions which are in force at present.

## \$50,000 PRICE PLACED ON HEAD OF BANDIT CHIEF

Rumored Mexican Snipers Have Caused Casualties Among Americans.

Cavalry Leave Columbus and Proceed in Westerly Direction.

Columbus, Tex., March 17.—Two half squadrons of cavalry left the expeditionary main base here today, striking in a westerly direction. Whether they were intended to reinforce the punitive columns was not known. One report indicated that they were going out to help protect the line of communication of that portion of the expedition under Col. George Dodd, which three days ago circled to the westward 50 miles from here and entered Mexico about the same time with the main column, which went directly south from here.

Troop trains overnight swelled the Columbus camp to what is said to be nearly the size of the original expedition.

The report that several men on outpost duty with the expedition had been wounded by snipers has not been confirmed here.

Reliable reports here indicate that some of the large ranching and cattle interests on the Mexican side of the border have offered a reward of \$50,000 for Villa, dead or alive.

A Carranza garrison occupies Guzman and their commander said today he had every confidence in the ability of his troops to maintain order at Guzman.

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## AMERICAN TROOPS CLOSING IN ON TERRITORY OCCUPIED BY VILLA AND HIS BANDIT ARMY

LEADS REGIMENT IN SEARCH FOR VILLA



Colonel Robert L. Bullard.

Colonel Robert L. Bullard is commander of the 26th Infantry U. S. A. His regiment has been stationed on the border for several years and will take part in the Villa hunt.

## NONE OF VILLA'S BANDITS HAS BEEN SEEN

Resolution Passes, Limiting Expedition to Punitive One Only.

### CONDITIONS IN INTERIOR ARE VERY QUIET

Washington, March 17.—The main American expeditionary force in Mexico as late as this afternoon had encountered none of Villa's outlaws. Reports to this effect were received by the war department in field wireless messages, relayed by telegraph from a point along the international border.

In the senate today, a concurrent resolution by Senator LaFollette declaring that congress approved the use of the army to pursue Villa, and giving further assurances that the sovereignty of Mexico was not to be encroached upon by the punitive expedition was unanimously adopted with out debate.

Reports to the state and war department indicated that conditions generally in the interior of Mexico were fairly quiet.

Consular advices to the state department were to the effect that quiet prevails in virtually all sections of Mexico, with the exception of Tampico and Torreon. At Tampico and in the adjacent oil fields, Americans were reported to be uneasy although no disorders had developed.

The Carranza officials here and in Juarez insist that Villa has disbanded whatever men he had with him and will not offer to fight, but will rely for safety on his knowledge of the Sierra Madre, which he knows by heart.

Fear Guerrilla Campaign. Americans who know Villa and the country in which he has taken refuge are equally confident that he will attempt to check his pursuers by a guerrilla campaign.

The tension between the two nations at this point at the border was noticeably sharper today, as far as Juarez was concerned. General Gaviira coupled his announcement as to the whereabouts of the American troops with a statement that he would no longer receive American newspaper correspondence.

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## CAMPAIGN FOR PUNITIVE PURPOSES VEILED IN SECRECY

Railroad Bridge Burned in Path of the United States Troops.

### CHIEF EXPECTED TO RETREAT TO MOUNTAINS

All Plans Point to Prolonged Guerrilla Warfare With His Followers.

El Paso, Texas, March 17.—One of the American columns in Mexico was definitely located tonight on the outskirts of the Cazas Grandes region, between the towns of Janos and Ascension, in a statement issued by General Gaviira, Carranza commander at Juarez.

General Gaviira announced that he had a telegram that a courier from the Americans who already had reached Cazas Grandes, announcing that the United States troops might be expected about midnight. The general said he had wired Lieutenant Colonel Refugio S. Davila, in command of the constitutionalist garrison at Cazas Grandes, not to permit the Americans to occupy that city.

American troops will reach Cazas Grandes at midnight, General Gabriel Gaviira announced at Juarez late today. Cazas Grandes is a little more than 60 miles from the port where Col. H. T. Dodd's columns entered Mexico, so that the Americans had been moving more than 30 miles a day.

Simultaneously came the first intimation of activity on the part of the Villistas and of their intention to resist the American expedition in news received that Villa's followers had burned a railroad bridge on the Northwest railroad of Mexico, between Summit and San Pedro, Chihuahua.

General Gaviira's information presumably refers to the force made up of the Seventh and Tenth Cavalry, which crossed the border near Hachita, N. M., and is said to be advancing by forced marches to protect the Mormon colony, Colonia Dublan.

The two towns mentioned, Janos and Ascension, are between 60 and 65 miles directly south of Hachita, on the border both north and east, the most southerly of the two is about 20 miles from Corralitos, near where the railroad bridge was burned.

On Northwestern Road. The burned bridge was on the Northwestern railroad between Summit and San Pedro and directly in the line of advance of the main expeditionary force which started from Columbus and would strike the railroad at Guzman, a little north of Corralitos. It was close to the latter place that the Villistas are said to have murdered five Mexican ranchers on Sunday and driven off their horses.

Intense Activity. Arrivals from Columbus today reported intense activity at the American military base. They said fresh troops were being sent forward across the border both night and day, and that one aeroplane had joined the force in Mexico. Seven other aircraft were circling over the border constantly on a scouting expedition.

Reach Villa Territory. With the practical certainty that the American soldiers had at least reached the Villa territory, the question of absorbing interest on the border as to how many men are with Villa and will he fight or run. Americans from the Cazas Grandes region assert that peons there are certain to support Villa, partly through his system of terrorism and partly through the glamor of his reputation as a warrior.

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## Aero Club to Assist War Department

New York, March 17.—In its campaign to train aviators for military service in Mexico, the Aero Club of America is raising \$100,000 to buy suitable aeroplanes, according to an announcement by the club today. The machines with their aviators will be turned over to the war department should occasion arise for the service.