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## GERMANS IN AMERICA ARE DULY ADMONISHED

### GERMANY WANTS LAWS OF UNITED STATES OBSERVED

To the Letter So as to End Various Alleged Violations of American Neutrality.

CONSULS ARE INSTRUCTED  
Germans Also Asked to Observe the Laws of State Where-in They Reside.

WASHINGTON, May 18.—Germany, through Count von Bernstorff, has instructed all German consuls in the United States to admonish German citizens in their districts to scrupulously observe American laws. This was done in an effort to end various alleged violations of American neutrality.

The ambassador acted on instructions from the Berlin foreign office. The action was announced today in this official statement from the German embassy:

"In consequence of cases which have occurred of late the German ambassador has sent instructions to all German consuls in the United States to strongly impress upon German citizens living in their districts that it is their duty to scrupulously obey the laws of the state in which they reside."

It was said at the German embassy that the instructions were designed to prevent plots or lawlessness on the part of German citizens who might be disposed to engage in such.

The German government, it was said, looks with great disfavor upon any such conduct and desires that they shall not engage in any undertaking in any way outside the law.

It was not disclosed whether specific cases had been brought to the attention of the German government, but it was made clear that Berlin officials want the United States and its people to understand that they have not countenanced any illegal affairs with which German citizens or sympathizers in this country have been connected.

Count von Bernstorff's instructions were received last night and were forwarded to German consuls immediately.

Administration officials were much interested in the statement issued by Count von Bernstorff and expressed themselves as much pleased.

It was said the instructions to German consuls were not the result of any action of the United States. Officials thought the step might do much to relieve troublesome conditions which have manifested themselves almost since the beginning of the war.

It is understood the Berlin foreign office learned that public opinion in this country was being affected by activities of sympathizers concerned in passport frauds, bomb plots and similar operations.

### ARRESTS

In Contemplation before Irish Rebellion Broke Out Declares Matthew Nathan.

LONDON, May 18.—From testimony developed today at the hearing opened by the royal commission to inquire into the Irish rebellion, it appears that the government received advance information of preparations for an uprising with help from German sources.

The testimony was given by Sir Matthew Nathan, who resigned as under secretary for Ireland after the rebellion started.

The executives in Ireland being in possession of sufficient evidence of the association of the movement's leaders with a foreign enemy, said Sir Matthew, had decided upon their arrest and were discussing the matter when the rebellion broke out.

WHEELING, May 18.—In the case of Frank Cavalle, Clarksburg Italian charged with conspiring to violate the interstate liquor laws regulating the shipment of liquor and who was found guilty by a jury Tuesday, Judge Dayton has overruled the motion of Attorney S. O. Boyce, counsel for the defendant, and sentenced Cavalle to one month in the Ohio county jail and to pay a fine of \$100.

Gory Hogg, of Harvey, is among the visitors in the city.

### MAYO IS TO SUCCEED ADMIRAL FLETCHER AS THE FLEET HEAD

When Secretary of the Navy Puts His Reorganization Plans into Effect Soon.

COFFMAN GOES HIGHER  
All the Changes Are Announced to Go into Effect June 19.

WASHINGTON, May 18.—Plans for reorganization of the Atlantic fleet, which will be announced shortly by Secretary Daniels, include the retirement of Admiral Fletcher as commander in chief.

Vice Admiral Henry T. Mayo, now commander of the first division of the fleet, with his flag on the Arkansas, will succeed Admiral Fletcher. Admiral Fletcher automatically returns to his line rank of rear admiral and probably will be assigned to important strategic work.

Rear Admiral Dewitt Coffman, one of the division commanders of the fleet, will become vice admiral. All the changes become effective June 19. Admiral Fletcher has completed his term as commander in chief.

### PROPERTY DAMAGED

When Runaway Horse Dashes onto Porches of Two Residences in Glen Elk.

Becoming frightened at a train while crossing the overhead bridge in Glen Elk Thursday morning a horse attached to a delivery wagon driven by a foreigner dashed across the bridge and into the yards of Homer Lynch and Mrs. Will Law doing considerable damage to both properties and slightly injuring the driver before being stopped.

The horse dashed upon the porch of the Lynch home tearing one of the posts off and breaking several boards in the floor, and then proceeded to the Law home where it also struck the porch, but a wall around it stopped it from doing much damage there. When the wagon struck the Law porch it turned over and the driver was bruised and received several small cuts. The horse was also slightly injured.

### TWO MORE FILE

William K. Thompson has filed his announcement with the clerk of the circuit court that he is a candidate for the Republican nomination for member of the board of education in Simpson district and Asa L. Mathews has filed his announcement that he is a candidate for the Democratic nomination for member of the school board of Coal district.

### APPEAL TO POPE

LONDON, May 18.—Sir Edward Grey, the foreign secretary, announced in the House of Commons today that the government had been informed by Sir Henry Howard, British minister at the Vatican, that representations have been made to Germany by the Vatican with a view to inducing Germany to abandon submarine warfare.

### ABANDONS PROGRAM

WASHINGTON, May 18.—The House naval committee today voted to abandon the five-year building program recommended by Secretary Daniels and to build five battle cruisers, no dreadnaughts and about twenty-five submarines by the current navy bill.

### ARTILLERY BATTLES

BERLIN, May 18.—Artillery engagements are in progress all along the Austro-Italian front on which the Austrians began an offensive movement several days ago. The official Austrian statement of May 17 reports the capture of new positions on the Doderdo plateau.

### HEARINGS RESUMED

On Petition of Gas Company to Be Allowed to Increase Its Rates.

Hearings on the petition of the Clarksburg Light and Heat Company to be allowed to increase its gas rate to consumers in this section were resumed before Judge E. F. Morgan, of the state public service commission, at 11 o'clock this morning in the city council chamber.

### SENSATIONS EXPECTED IN TRIAL OF NEW YORK DENTIST



Top, Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Warren Waite. Bottom, Mrs. Margaret Horton and telegram suggesting poisoning. Sensational disclosures are looked for in the approaching trial of Dr. Arthur Warren Waite, New York dentist charged with poisoning Mr. and Mrs. John E. Peck of Grand Rapids, Mich., his wife's wealthy parents. Mrs. Margaret Horton, studio companion of Waite, will be an important figure at the trial.

### BRIBERY CHARGES

Are Preferred against Deputy Internal Revenue Collector Who is Arrested.

NEW YORK, May 18.—Christopher J. Fortman, for more than ten years a deputy internal revenue collector, was arrested by the federal authorities today on a warrant charging him with demanding and accepting bribes from tobacco dealers in return for making false reports to the government. His arrest will be followed by that of several other collectors. It was announced by Assistant United States Attorney McDonald in an effort to break up a system of alleged grafting, which, he said, had cost the government more than \$300,000 within the last ten days.

H. E. Drew, of West Union, is a city visitor.

Lloyd Cunningham is here from Fairmont.

John Lee Coulter, of Morgantown, is in the city.

Frank C. Treadway, of Parkersburg, is a visitor here.

### WILSON TO SPEAK

At a Meeting of the League to Enforce Peace of Which Taft is President.

WASHINGTON, May 18.—President Wilson today accepted an invitation to speak either Friday or Saturday of next week at a meeting here of the League to Enforce Peace, of which former President Taft is president. The president, in speaking to an anti-preparedness committee recently, suggested that after the war all nations might combine in a league to preserve peace with a common police force.

### SCHOOL EXAMINATION.

The last elementary examination in the public schools of the county this year began Thursday morning at Industrial, Shinnston, Adamston, Lumberport, Lost Creek, Wallace and Bristol, and concluded Friday. Only eighth grade pupils are taking the same.

### ONE MARRIAGE LICENSE.

A marriage license has been issued to Charles H. Carr and Hazel E. Radabaugh.

### TAFT URGES PASTORS TO SAY THINGS

In Favor of the League to Enforce Peace on Peace Sunday, May 21.

NEW YORK, May 18.—Ex-President William H. Taft, as head of a special committee on church co-operation, has written to 10,000 ministers throughout the country, asking them to embody in their sermons on May 21, (the third Sunday in May which in a good many churches is observed as "Peace Sunday") an explanation of the program of the League to Enforce Peace, which is to hold its first annual assemblage on May 26 and 27.

Other signatures to the letter are those of L. T. Wilson, Methodist bishop of New York; Shaler Mathews, president of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America; the Rev. Charles S. MacFarland, the Rev. J. B. Remensnyder, the Rev. Arthur J. Brown, Hamilton Holt and Fred B. Smith.

Mr. Taft is president of the League to Enforce Peace, which was formed at Philadelphia, in Independence Hall last June, when a platform was adopted which proposed the establishment of an international court and council of conciliation by a league of nations, which should pledge its joint economic and military forces to prevent any signatory from beginning hostilities or declaring war, over any question until it had first tried judicial methods.

Ministers in Clarksburg, W. Va., to whom letters were sent are the Rev. H. R. Hess and the Rev. John Tamkin.

### GENERAL LILLY TO SPEAK HERE

Candidate for Nomination for Governor to Hold Forth at Court House Friday Night.

(Contributed by W. G. Osborn.) Announcement is made that Attorney General "Abe" Lilly will speak at the court house Friday night at 8:15 o'clock. General Lilly's local followers are making extensive preparations for his reception, and doubtless a large and enthusiastic audience will greet the genial candidate for the governorship.

General Lilly has been received by large crowds all over the state and his reputation as a campaigner in former campaigns places him in the first rank of Republican orators in West Virginia. He speaks in Ritchie county today and tonight and will arrive in this city tomorrow morning on the Parkersburg accommodation. He will spend the day greeting the voters and a large reception committee of local Republicans will escort him to the courthouse for the night meeting.

Gregory's Full First regiment band has been engaged to furnish music for the occasion. Seats will be reserved for the ladies, who are especially invited.

### AIR ATTACKS

Are Made by Austrians on Towns in Vicinity of the City of Venice.

ROME, May 18.—An official despatch from Italian headquarters at Udine reports that Austrian aeroplanes are displaying great activity and have made several attacks on towns in the vicinity of Venice. It is stated that these attacks have caused insignificant material damage, that no lives have been lost and no military results accomplished.

### RELEASED ON BOND

John Epperson, colored, who was arrested by county officers Wednesday evening for violating the prohibition law by having intoxicants not properly labeled in a public street, furnished bond Wednesday night before Magistrate J. V. Carter, for a trial or hearing Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock and was released.

### SHRINERS TAKE THE SPOTLIGHT

DUGAN FUNERAL  
Services Will Be Held at Church of Immaculate Conception Friday Morning.

Funeral services over the body of Edward Dugan, a Scotchman, aged 40 years, who was instantly killed at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning when caught under a fall of ash at the Gilbert mine of the Poole and Townsend Coal Company at Rosebud, will be held at 9 o'clock Friday morning at the Church of the Immaculate Conception and the burial will be in the Holy Cross cemetery.

The deceased man is survived by a brother, John Dugan, with whom he lived, and a sister. His former home was at Masontown, Pa.

### AUSTRIAN ATTACK

Along the Italian Front in the Southern Tyrol is Gradually Extending.

PARIS, May 18.—The attack launched by the Austrians against the Italian front in the southern Tyrol which has gradually extended to the entire Austro-Italian front, is being followed here with close attention. It is generally believed in military circles that the great Austrian offensive, which has been expected for some time past, has begun.

### SOAP SHORTAGE

Is Experienced by the Expeditionary Command of General Pershing.

COLUMBUS, N. M., May 18.—"The Carrizosa garrison at Ascension under Colonel Saez is moving south along the American line of communication, ostensibly to El Valle. No reason was assigned here today for the movement.

Reports from the field indicated that General J. J. Pershing's expeditionary command is experiencing a shortage of soap but otherwise is well rationed and equipped.

### JUDGE WHITTEN

Candidate for Nomination for Attorney General is a Prominent Visitor Here.

Judge John L. Whitten, an eminent Point Pleasant jurist who is a candidate for the Republican nomination for attorney general of the state, is a prominent city visitor in connection with the state Masonic meeting. Judge Whitten will spend a few days in this section of the state in the interest of his candidacy. He is elated over the prospects for his nomination. He has visited the greater part of the state in his campaign and received warm assurances of support. Judge Whitten is eminently qualified to discharge the duties of the office.

### INSPECT SITE.

Members of the county court and the county road engineer went to Peel Tree on Thursday and inspected a site for a bridge across Elk creek there.

### BURIAL IN MASONIC CEMETERY.

Funeral services over the body of Mrs. Lucy Lacy, aged 42 years, colored, who died at her home on First street Tuesday night, will be held at 2:30 o'clock Friday afternoon at the colored Trinity Methodist Episcopal church on Ben street. The Rev. J. H. Jenkins, of Wheeling, will have charge of the services and the burial will be in the Masonic cemetery.

### GERMANS REPULSED WITH HEAVY LOSSES

And the French after Severe Fighting Capture a German Force near Verdun.

PARIS, May 18.—Several attacks were made by German troops on the Verdun front last night in an effort to capture a redoubt at Avocourt. The official statement of today says the Germans were repulsed each time and that they lost heavily.

French troops after severe fighting captured a German force on the northeast slope of hill 304. Three German trenches north of hill 287 were raided by French forces which killed or captured the occupants of these positions.

### EARTHQUAKE

Of a Particular Violence Occurs Along the Adriatic Coast in Italy.

ROME, May 18.—An earthquake of particular violence has occurred along the Adriatic coast between Rimini and Cesena. At the latter town a dozen people were injured by the fall of cornices.

Father Alfani, director of the observatory at Florence, predicts a repetition of the earthquake which extended to the Venetian provinces.

still offering testimony in support of its petition, and it was understood that would not conclude its case within a week or probably longer.

### Grand Commandery of Knights Templar Concludes Its Annual State Conclave.

FUNNY STREET PARADE  
Hathor Temple of Lady Shriners is to Hold Ceremonial Session Also.

Knights Templar of West Virginia wound up their forty-second annual conclave at noon Thursday in the lodge hall of the Masonic temple and Nemesis temple of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine took the center of the stage for a series of meetings and "stunts" to culminate in the induction of a class of 100 novitiates in a ceremonial session Thursday night in the auditorium of the temple, where a large addition was added to the permanent stage.

Officers Elected.  
Officers for the ensuing year were elected at Wednesday's last business session of the conclave, which ran until 7 p. m., as follows:

Lucius W. Blayney, of Wheeling, grand commander.  
Thomas C. Boling, of Charles Town, deputy grand commander.  
Ed. H. Patton, of Parkersburg, grand generalissimo.  
Charles A. Sinsel, of Grafton, grand captain general.  
C. C. Dusenberry, of Huntington, grand senior warden.  
Frank W. Van Horn, of Martinsburg, grand junior warden.  
The Rt. Rev. W. L. Gravatt, Charles Town, prelate.  
J. S. Vandervort, of Weston, grand treasurer.

Francis E. Nichols, of Fairmont, grand recorder.

Oriental Parade.  
One of the important features of the Shriners' gathering is the grand oriental street parade scheduled for 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon with the candidates attired by the Shriners in their red fezzes and by the famous oriental band of Parkersburg.

The Shriners assembled at 2:30 p. m. in the auditorium of the Masonic temple and got down to their business which, of course, is a mystery to the outside world. They will hold a banquet at 5:30 p. m. in the dining hall of the temple and their ceremonial session will begin at 7:30 p. m. in the auditorium.

Committees.  
The committees appointed to look after different arrangements of the Shriners' meeting are as follows:

Executive committee—George B. Chopping, chairman; Arthur Parsons, Jr., H. Cowell, David K. Reed, I. Wade, committee.  
Reception committee—Oscar C. Willt, chairman; Dr. W. B. Conaway, George H. Gordon, George C. Fidelity, W. Lee Williams, E. Stanley Young, T. Burton Gilbert, I. V. Gaston, Carl W. Neff, A. L. Carsons, L. P. Curran, James N. Hess, T. H. Williams, A. L. Roberts, Edward N. Nelson, John Stamm, Jr., George Wilkinson, M. G. Cunningham and Charles C. Scott.

Refreshment committee—L. K. Richards, chairman; Charles D. Johnson, Robert L. Martin, Michael G. Farmakis and Robert Morris.  
Parade committee—Joseph M. Crouch, chairman; J. M. Knox, George M. West, D. Lee Hedges and Frank G. Bland.

Entertainment committee—Fred E. Delbridge, chairman; E. K. Stout, Howard L. Cunningham, Hayward A. Russell, N. S. Longbaugh.  
Committee on petitions—J. L. Clark, Parkersburg; T. G. Strickler, Parkersburg; Phil D. Phillips, Spencer.  
Potentate's Representatives.  
The following are the potentate's representatives for their respective localities, the most of whom are here:

Noble F. E. Delbridge, Clarksburg; Noble B. L. Bullman, Williamstown; Noble Paul Wells, Parkersburg; Noble H. F. Post, Ripley; Noble A. L. Carson, Salem; Noble W. H. Kerr, Sistersville; Noble J. V. Blair, West Union; Noble H. S. Brown, Wilsonburg; Noble J. S. Vandervort, Weston; Noble Tom O. Strickler, Ellenboro; Noble W. L. McGowan, Ravenswood; Noble G. S. Fleisher, Cairo; Noble Homer Adams, Harrieville; Noble G. D. Phillips, St. Marys; Noble A. L. Holt, Glenville; Noble Charles H. Blume, Marietta, O.

Lady Shriners to Meet.  
A ceremonial session of Hathor temple, of Parkersburg, of the Ladies of the Mystic Shrine of West Virginia, is to be held at 8 o'clock Thursday evening at the Masonic temple, at which a class of a dozen candidates will be initiated. A large number of members are here for the session.

BOND HERE.  
Adjutant General John C. Bond is here from Charleston for the Templars' meetings. General Bond says a movement to form an additional military company here has taken no definite form.

FRENCH REPULSED.  
BERLIN, May 18.—The repulse this morning of three attacks by the French against German positions on the northwest of Verdun was announced by the war office.