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MAKING UNCLE SAM THE GOAT.

AS THE time for convening the special session of Congress approaches, it is evident that the sentiment of the nation is not as unanimous for war as the opinion moulders at Washington would have it appear. The cities along the Atlantic coast are worked up to a fever heat over the possibility of a fleet of German submarines appearing and blowing them off the face of the map, but back in the interior, where the citizens are accustomed to do their own thinking instead of accepting the doctrines of the hand-me-down order from party leaders, there is a decided opposition to the suggestion from the administration that the United States should hurl its boys into the trenches to fight the battles of enfeebled Europe. The submarine blockade conducted with ruthless ferocity is more implacable and successful than the world has been allowed to realize. The truth was brought forth from its concealment in the house of commons through a statement by Lord Beresford that the Germans were carrying out their threat to destroy a million tons of shipping every month. Lord Beresford taxed the Lloyd-George following with suppressing the facts and thereby nursing an unwarranted confidence by throttling the press and choking off speakers who wanted to know something more about the ravages of the undersea boats than were permitted to gain publicity. The arrogance of the British government is evident by a recent order directed against Holland by which that peaceful nation was precluded from exporting non-contraband to neutral countries where it would come in competition with English products. The United States had endured insults of this nature ever since the war began without once expostulating. Mails on American ships have been seized and looted and trade secrets utilized by turning them over to the British competitors of American manufacturers. Trade with Germany, Austria, Holland and the Scandinavian countries has been restricted by orders of His Majesty, the king of Great Britain and Ireland that were as ruthless and arbitrary as the mandates of the kaiser, but nothing was said about these matters, which appear to have been regarded as inconsiderate trifles. Now the United States is asked to lend the allied governments a few billion dollars that they may prosecute the war so that they will eventually control the trade of the world. From what has been allowed to leak out, the Wilson administration is playing directly into the hands of its industrial enemies and it would not be surprising to find the English commander American vessels in the same way that they have commandeered a fleet of magnificent Dutch ships because the owners would not carry munitions of war or load with commodities selected by the British government for delivery to British subjects. There is no excuse in any treaty or convention that would warrant this confiscation of private property and it is only what this country may expect the moment it lines up with the allies. In fact one American ship has been detained at Falmouth for nearly three years for the reason that the nery Yankee skipper refused to take orders from the British admiralty by loading with coal for an Italian port when he was under charter for other purposes. Greece is being starved into submission and the stories filtering from the Aegean sea are far more heartless in their commercial depravity than all the tales about Belgian suffering so diligently circulated. The Greeks insist on remaining neutral but the allies insist they shall surrender their army, fleets and harbors to the uses of an invading force that is intent on oppressing every nation that does not accord fully with the foreign policy of England and France.

ORGANIZED NEVADA.

THE SCHEME for Democratizing Nevada is making fair progress, as the Bonanza predicted it would two months ago. All the satchels of the party seem intent on building a machine that will endure the test of the next election. The latest confirmation of what was a well-substantiated rumor about the first of the year, appears with the statement that Governor Boyle has vetoed the bill abolishing the deputy superintendents of instruction who constituted the Bray machine as an adjunct to the regular party organization. The deputy superintendents were abolished by a bill introduced through the Lyon county delegation which was passed by both houses. The general appropriation bill also was revised to eliminate the salaries for these political henchmen, but the people who stood for advancement of the public schools and reforms in the system of conducting the office find all their efforts thwarted through the action of the governor, who has chosen to override the wishes of the voters, expressed in a most emphatic manner, at the instigation of the attorney general. The only foundation for this action is the assertion that the new law dispensing with the deputies was unconstitutional. No objection was raised on this score when the measure was under discussion and it seems strange that at this late day the point should be raised. As the matter stands now the deputies will retain their jobs and take their chances of collecting their salaries from the general fund. The Lyon county delegation is alert to the danger of such a move and will contest any attempt of the kind through the courts. These deputies have no excuse for continuing in office since it was demonstrated that they are as useless as the fifth wheel to a wagon. The conduct of the governor can only be condoned on the theory that the deputies have rendered yeoman service at every campaign for the Democratic party and that the abolishment of their positions would deprive the party of an element controlling a large vote which could be swung in the party interest at the behest of the men who were supposed to devote their time to the betterment of the schools. In the course of the debate it was cited that the deputies were perniciously active about election time and that they gave more attention to political exigencies than they did to the requirements of the rising generation. It will be recalled that one of the first bills introduced in the last legislature was one to indemnify these deputies for funds spent in excess of their appropriation on the advice from John Edwards Bray that they were justified in exceeding the amount of their appropriation on the assurance that they would be taken care of at the right time. This mandate came in for rough handling in both houses and there was talk of preferring charges against Superin-

tendent Bray for wilfully violating the statute which expressly stipulates that no elective officer shall exceed the amount of his appropriation without subjecting himself to a heavy penalty. The only way for the voters of Nevada to do is to follow the example of the voters of Nye county who cleared out the courthouse and started a new administration on business principles. A general housecleaning at Carson City is demanded, for the Democratic machine has grown so emboldened by success that it no longer regards the party as anything better than a vehicle for promoting the political aggrandizement of favorite sons.

Des Moines has declared a boycott on potatoes. This is unnecessary in Tonopah, where the dealers have precipitated a war that has smashed prices in two through the advertising columns of the Bonanza. What is better, the people of Tonopah are using more potatoes than ever before and what is a luxury elsewhere is a commonplace diet in the heart of the desert. This is the reward of enterprise and publicity.

Wisconsin reports the death of the world's prize cow with a knitting needle in her heart. Everybody knows the whole world is knitting, but this is the first report of the bovine species having adopted the habit.

Has any one seen Villa? This is the latest adaptation of the famous ode to our friend Kelly which has been revived after a lapse of years.

The federal government is sending out word to everybody to "save the rags." A lot of us don't need this advice. We wear them.

BRITISH SOLDIERS SING FACING DEATH ON A SINKING STEAMER

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Mar. 29.—The British transport Tynedartus, with a battalion of the Middlesex regiment aboard, struck a mine on February 9 off Cape Agulhas, the southernmost point of Africa. The men were paraded on deck and after roll call began to sing, while they waited for the ship to sink.

The Tynedartus, however, was saved and the troops were transferred to two rescuing steamers, having upheld, as expressed in the official admiralty report, "the cherished tradition of the Birkenhead."

The admiralty issued the following statement on the incident last night: The admiralty transport Tynedartus, with a battalion of the Middlesex regiment aboard, struck a mine at eight in the evening of February 9 off Cape Agulhas. A strong southwesterly gale was blowing, and soon afterwards the ship began to settle at the head with propellers out of the water.

"Assembly was sounded and the men donned lifebelts and paraded in perfect order. Roll was called and upon the order 'stand easy' the whole battalion began to sing.

"Two steamers dispatched to the rescue arrived on the scene within half an hour. During this trying time, although faced by the probability of imminent death, the troops maintained steadfast courage and discipline. Never was the tradition of the British army more worthily upheld than on this occasion.

"Thanks to the devotion and perseverance of the captain and the officers, the ship was saved. The troops were transferred to the two steamers and taken to Simonstown, where the Tynedartus subsequently returned, under her own steam, with two holds flooded and another leaking.

"The king has graciously expressed his deep admiration for the conduct of all ranks in upholding the cherished tradition of the Birkenhead."

EFFECT OF ANTI-JAPANESE LAWS ON OUR COMMERCIAL RELATIONS

(By Associated Press.)

TOKIO, Mar. 29.—Appearance of bills believed here to be anti-Japanese in nature in the legislatures of Idaho and Oregon confirmed the Japanese people in the belief that the problem of the Japanese in the United States is far from settled.

The newspapers published lengthy dispatches from the United States narrating the developments of the Oregon and Idaho legislation, but only a few of them published editorial comment.

At the present time the press is interested in the possibilities of China entering the war, in the political crisis at home and especially in the projects to establish co-operation between Americans and Japanese in the development of China.

Japan wishes to share in the development of China and incidentally her representative people, the business element particularly, believe that if the United States and Japan can find a common interest the chances of finding a solution of all problems will be improved. This idea is expressed in an article written by the chief editor of the Nichi Nichi, who finds his text in the recent American bills and in the recent founding of an American-Japanese association for the exchange of ideas on vital problems concerning the two countries.

"How to preserve and promote," writes the editor, "the friendly relations between the United States and Japan—a historic relationship of sincere friendship since the visit of Commodore Perry—is a question

which is taxing the brains of many prominent men in the higher stations of life of both countries. The people are bound to strive for a fundamental solution of any difficulty which may arise."

The newspaper traces the history of anti-Japanese legislation and says that the Washington government would point to the power of the individual states and its inability to control, though it might influence, state action. It continues:

"The Japanese nation understands the viewpoint of the Washington government, but should the constant occurrence of such undesirable legislation, to which there seems no end, be left unquestioned, we fear it would gradually estrange the relations between the two countries to a point apparently feared by a section of the people in both nations.

"If the sphere of such organizations as the new American-Japanese association is limited to chatting over the events of olden days nothing will be accomplished. So-called American thinkers of this country seem that mutual flattery will settle the questions pending, but we think it is rather to be done by establishing mutual interests. Thus, the proposed co-operation between Americans and Japanese in China is a timely enterprise which will go a long way in bettering the relations between the two countries for identity of interest yields a mighty place in the affairs of the present-day world."

TRAINED TO OBEY WITHOUT QUESTION

INTERNED GERMAN INTERROGATED ON MAKING BOMBS IN NEW YORK

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Mar. 29.—Ernst Becker, one of six Germans on trial here charged with plotting to destroy vessels leaving American ports with munitions for the entente allies, testified today that Germans are accustomed to doing as they are told, not to be asking questions. This answer was called forth after he admitted having made shells for bombs, but denied knowledge for what the bombs were to be used. Becker, an electrician on board

the German steamship Friedrich der Grosse, tied up at Hoboken, N. J., since the outbreak of the European war, said he once had served in the German navy.

"Do you know what a bomb is?" Becker was asked.

"Sure," he replied. "It is one like a Zeppelin comes along and throws down."

"We don't know anything about such things in this country," said the judge.

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"FRANK" GOOLEY DIES AT MINER'S HOSPITAL

ONE OF THE BEST FOREMEN OF THE TONOPAH DISTRICT PASSES AWAY

Ashford Jackson Cooley, former foreman of the West End Consolidated mine and an old associate of the late Cal Shaw, died last night at the Mine Operators hospital after a lingering illness superinduced by bronchial trouble. Deceased was attended during the last week of his illness by his son Roy, who was summoned from Champaign, Ill., by the serious condition of his father. Mr. Cooley was better known among the miners of the district as "Frank" and was universally esteemed for his many excellent qualities.

Decedent is survived by a brother and two sister at Lexington, Ky., and two sons and two daughters in Illinois. He was 58 years of age and was a resident of Nevada for 11 years. During the entire time of his life in Tonopah Mr. Cooley had been an active member of Mizpah lodge No. 25, Knights of Pythias and the funeral will be conducted under the auspices of that body at 4 o'clock tomorrow afternoon from Odd Fellows hall.

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