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GERMANY WILL CLAIM MARINA WAS ARMED WHEN SUBMARINED

Will Seek Justification Under That Pretext--Point Was Not Settled in the Lusitania Case and Her Pledges to America Have Not Been Violated

[By United Press] WASHINGTON, Nov. 2.—Secretary Lansing has indicated that a reopening of the entire armed merchantmen controversy with Germany is certain if it is proved the Marina was armed when she was submarined. It is admitted the right of merchantmen to arm for defense is still open to question. He said this would be the principal question of negotiations with Germany over the death of the Americans on the Marina. Germany will not admit the right of merchantmen to arm. This point was not settled when it was raised in the Lusitania case, and it is expected Germany will maintain that armed merchantmen are not included in the pledges to America.

VILLISTAS HOLD UP TRAIN AND KILL 28 CARRANZISTA GUARDS

Rob 400 Passengers and In Some Instances Take Their Clothing--Bandit Chief Will Force Evacuation Chihuahua City By Cutting Off Supply Routes

[By United Press] EL PASO, Nov. 2.—The Carranzistas announce that 200 Villistas on Monday, after cutting the railroad lines at Laguna, butchered twenty-eight Carranza guards on a Mexican Central train and robbed 400 passengers. They beat Dr. Haffner, a German subject, senseless. The clothing of some of the passengers was taken and everything valuable on the train stolen. Murga and Quesedo, Villa

Italian Boy Got Away With \$400

The Pardini Brothers were robbed yesterday afternoon of about \$400 in cash. The robber is supposed to be a young Italian by the name of Angelo, who has been working for the Pardinis on their ranch south of Carson, near the Mexican dam. The loss of the money was not discovered until late in the evening, but it is thought it was taken somewhere about 1 o'clock. The money was in a trunk, but about 6 o'clock last evening one of the Pardinis went to the trunk to add \$300 more, when he found the trunk had been broken open by the breaking of the lock and the money was gone.

Angelo had been seen earlier in the afternoon as he was leaving the house. He had with him a shot gun and it was thought he was going hunting and therefore his actions did not excite suspicion.

The sheriff's office was not notified until 7:30 last evening, when a search was started for the boy. It was learned that Angelo had come into town and gone to the Raycraft garage to hire an auto to take him to Reno, giving as a reason his sister was dying there. There was no auto not in use at the garage and Wil Knippenberg was engaged to take him over to the riverside city, which he did about 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

Chief of Police Hillhouse of Reno was notified of the robbery by the sheriff's office and requested to be on the watch for him.

From reports received from Reno

subordinates, commanded the bandits, according to word received when communications were reestablished today. The train was enroute from Juarez to Chihuahua City. The railway between the two places is still severed. Laguna is 150 miles south of the border. Carranzistas are now pursuing the bandits. The guards were shot in sight of the passengers. It is believed that Villa hopes to force the evacuation of Chihuahua City by cutting the supply routes.

Bets That Miller Will Beat Platt

RENO, Nov. 2.—The pre-election Wall Street "bull" in regard to betting odds seems to have been dissipated and in Reno has had little or no effect upon actual wagers that have been made. Instead of being an odds on favorite, as reported from New York, Hughes has been backed down to even money and offers are being heard to back Wilson at odds.

Although not confirmed officially, it is rumored that Charles Stout has just made the following wagers: One thousand dollars on Wilson, even money; \$600 to \$200 on Senator Key Pittman; \$40 even that Grant Miller will beat Sam Platt for senatorship.

Freak bets are much in evidence in picking out combinations. Owing to their past "close decisions" the betting is even on Burke and Ferrel for sheriff. Moore and Lunsford will make a pretty race for district attorney, but there is absolutely no question about Frank Golden, Democrat for assembly, and it looks like he will carry the whole ticket with him.

WILL ROBERTS TELL WHY?

On the inside of a four-page circular distributed throughout Carson this morning, and bearing the endorsement of the Republican State Central Committee, appears the headline

"Platt and Roberts Are Opposed to the Pittman Land Grab"

We know why Platt opposes the bill, but will Roberts tell his Carson friends why his change after his statement before a congressional committee that

"I should be ashamed to appear before any people asking their suffrage if I should hesitate to support a bill simply because a man who represents another party introduced it. I believe the bill is right."

REVENUE STATE MAY GET FROM LAND BILL

The Appeal has repeatedly charged that the opposition to the Pittman land grant bill has come from the stockmen of the state. That charge has not been refuted by either the stockmen, the Reno Journal, the Reno Gazette, Sam Platt or Grant Miller. The Appeal reiterates that statement and challenges the Reno Journal, the Reno Gazette, Sam Platt, Grant Miller or the stockmen to successfully disprove it.

Now for a little consideration of the bill: Section 2 of the bill reads: "That the lands herein granted shall be selected by said state from any unappropriated and unreserved non-mineral public lands in said state in quantities not less than the smallest subdivision." Section 3 in part says "that the land herein granted shall be disposed of to citizens of the United States by sale to the highest bidder at public auction upon due notice and at not less than \$1.25 per acre, under such laws, rules and regulations as may now or hereafter be prescribed by the legislature of the state of Nevada, not inconsistent herewith; provided, that not more than one-half million acres of said land so granted shall be disposed of each year by said state; provided, further, that any citizen of the United States shall be entitled to purchase not more than 640 acres and not less than 40 acres of such lands under the terms and in the manner provided in this bill."

Section 4 in part reads: "That the proceeds arising from the USE, disposal or sale of such lands, or any part thereof, shall be for the use and benefit of the public schools of Nevada and the state university in the following proportions," etc.

Under the terms and conditions of the grant the state cannot dispose of more than 500,000 acres in one year. But that does not prevent the state after the bill becomes a law, from selecting the entire 7,000,000 acres as soon as a commission is provided for by legislative enactment and the legislation necessary to safeguard the grant and an appropriation made for the expense of the commission in making the selection of the lands.

The state does not have to sell any of those lands if it does not so desire. In section 4 appear the words "proceeds arising from the USE, disposal or sale."

What does that mean? Does it not mean that the state does not have to sell an acre of land, but can grant yearly permits for the use of the land just as the government does with the forest reserve and receive a stipend for that use? And that is just what the stockmen are afraid of and why they

are fighting the bill. Those lands that could be selected by the state they are now using free. Now, to put it up to you as a business proposition: Don't you think that the state will select the lands that the stockmen are now using free and not the bottom lands that cannot be made profitable for farming on account of the lack of water and that the lands now used free by the stockmen are not of any use whatsoever for farming purposes? Those lands are in the hills and ranges and no one wants a homestead there or to buy that land for farming purposes. But the stockmen want it for it is watered by the snows in the winter and makes good grazing for cattle and sheep in the summer.

Suppose, for illustration, that you as a citizen were told that you could have 1,000,000 acres of land donated to you by the government by complying with certain conditions, and could select that land from any that was not otherwise appropriated; would you not look around and see which lands would yield the quickest revenue? What would you find? You would find acres upon acres of bottom land that could be selected, but there is no water on it and no means of securing irrigation, so consequently you would pass it up, but on the other hand you would see millions upon millions of acres in the hills and ranges now being used by the stock interests free. You would naturally say, if you had any business sagacity, "there are the lands I am going to select, for the reason that when I get my deed to those lands the stockmen will have to pay me a rental for the use of them, just as they pay the government for the use of the lands of the forest reserve, and I will only give them a yearly permit, instead of a long term lease which will permit them to fence in the lands. By this selection and this procedure I will at once be in possession of a yearly income from land that is of no earthly use to any one except stockmen and they, to sustain life in their cattle and sheep, have got to have them." That is just the position the state of Nevada will be in when this 7,000,000 acre grant is decided to it.

Remember, the state can select the entire acreage at once and wherever it is unappropriated, provided it does not contain mineral in payable quantities. Remember also that the state does not have to sell one acre of it, but that it can give a yearly or term permit for the use of it and receive a rental for every acre. This in simple is the land grant bill and if there is any "grab" in it the state of

GERMANS LEAVE FORT AFTER PRACTICALLY DESTROYING IT

Berlin Reports Teutons Make Advances On Allied Front and Capture Russian Positions South of Vitoniez--Rumanians Are Holding Their Own In Transylvania

[By United Press] BERLIN, Nov. 2.—The Germans have evacuated Fort Vaux, after blasting many important parts of the fort. The French had previously destructively bombarded the fort after their evacuation. The British attack at Courcellette has been repulsed, while the French have slightly advanced at Lesbouffs and in the Ran-court sector. The Germans advanced north of Saily and repulsed the Allied attacks elsewhere on the Somme. The Teutons have captured the Russian positions south of Vitoniez, taking 1,500 men and ten machine guns.

The Russian losses were heavy. Local enterprises against the Russian advanced their positions north of Dorna Vatra.

Russian Report
[By United Press] PETROGRAD, Nov. 2.—General Mackenzen has halted the Dobrudja advance. Bucharest advises that he has been forced to send several regiments into Transylvania, checking his offensive. Except for the South Red Tower pass, the Rumanians are holding their own everywhere in Transylvania. The Teuton attacks in Alt valley continue.

WORLD EVENTS

[By United Press] MARSHFIELD, Ore., Nov. 2.—Three are known to be dead and two badly injured as the result of an explosion in the Haverhill coal mine, a Southern Pacific holding. The explosion occurred last night, the night crew being imprisoned several hours. The cause of the explosion is not known.

Makes New Record
[By United Press] ERIE, Pa., Nov. 2.—Victor Carlstrom, an aviator attempting a continuous flight from Chicago to New York, was forced to descend here owing to a leaky gasoline tank wasting fuel. He flew 450 miles in four hours and sixteen minutes, averaging 109 miles an hour. He established a new American non-stop record.

Like Grant Miller
[By United Press] REDDING, Nov. 2.—Mount Lassen continues its "puffings" and is sending black smoke hundreds of feet high into the air every ten minutes. The largest eruption of the year occurred late yesterday.

Advance Bread Price
[By United Press] REDDING, Nov. 2.—Bakers here announced they would discontinue small loaves of bread and advanced

Nevada will do the grabbing. But it is because these powers are given the state that the stock interests are fighting the bill, for they will be deprived of land they now get the use of free. The Reno Journal, the Reno Gazette, Sam Platt and Grant Miller know these facts as well as the Appeal does and when they say that the state will be robbed by reason of the provisions of the Pittman land grant bill they speak with insincerity.

Again, the land grant bill says that the land shall be disposed of (when sold) at public auction to the highest bidder, but it does not say when it shall be disposed of, if ever; it is not mandatory in that respect and there is no time limit set for its disposition. Why, therefore, dispose of land that is fit for no other purpose than that of grazing stock when the state can derive a yearly income from it and still own it?

The state of Nevada, if it secures this magnificent allotment of land from the government, will be in position to dictate to the stockmen and compel them to pay tribute for the land they now get the use of free. That is the milk in the coconut and that is the main reason for the fight against the bill.

the price of some loaves 2 cents simultaneously. The hotels have raised table prices.

Aged Man Goes Crazy
[By United Press] SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 2.—Going suddenly insane, Henry Fink barricaded himself in his home today and shot his son John, when he attempted to enter the house. The police later overpowered the aged man.

Afraid to Go Home
[By United Press] PORTLAND, Nov. 2.—Elizabeth Doyle, aged 10, missing since last Monday, and believed to have been kidnapped, was found asleep under the synagogue steps today. She said she went walking and feared a scolding if she returned home.

Keeping Findings Secret
[By United Press] WASHINGTON, Nov. 2.—Secretary Lansing is withholding the Marina findings from all but President Wilson, who is being appraised of all developments.

Board of Pardons Will Meet Tonight

The Board of Pardons met this morning, with Justice Norcross and Attorney General Thatcher absent. The westbound Southern Pacific on which they were to arrive in Reno was seven hours late, and they will be unable to reach Carson before 7 or 8 o'clock this evening, at which time an evening session will be held in the Trammer case.

Governor Boyle and Justices McCarran and Coleman left about 11 o'clock this morning with a stenographer for the prison to take down the testimony that will be given by Nimrod Urie, who was the partner of Trammer in the murder of the Quillicis. Trammer is to be executed tomorrow unless the Board of Pardons commutes his sentence to life imprisonment.

George W. Keith About Again
It was with pleasure that the many friends and supporters of Judge George W. Keith saw him out on the street again today after an illness of a couple of weeks which had confined him to his home. The judge is looking fit again and is almost entirely recovered from his late indisposition.

Henry M. Hoyt, attorney of Reno, was among the arrivals on the morning train from the riverside city.