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APPOINTED DELEGATES TO STOCKHOLM MEETING

By Unanimous Vote The Swiss Parliament Decides That Switzerland Will Take Part in the Peace Conference at Stockholm and Delegates to Same were Appointed. The Socialists are Also Working For a Concerted Peace Movement. French Attacks on German Lines Were Repulsed. The Russians Making Progress. Belgium Denies any Peace Overtures From Germany.

(By Associated Press.)
Berne, Switzerland, Feb. 11.—Swiss parliamentarians heard the report of Louis Lochner and Harry Evens on the Ford peace expedition and decided unanimously of the participation of Switzerland at the neutral peace conference.

At Stockholm a delegation was appointed to attend. Lochner explained that Henry J. Ford was willing to spend millions for the conference.

Socialists for Peace.
(By Associated Press.)

Berlin, Feb. 11.—The American socialist party cables Herr Vankol, Socialist leader in the upper chamber of the Dutch parliament, proposing a simultaneous peace agitation. The dispatch says President Wilson will be urged to convene in congress on Feb. 24 the neutral nations and open negotiations. Mankol cabled Representative London, the Socialist member of the Washington house of representatives to co-operation with the party in Holland.

British Steamer Beached.
(By Associated Press.)

London, Feb. 11.—The British steamer Elswick Manor was beached off Yarmouth. The crew was saved.

French Attacks Repulsed.
(By Associated Press.)

London, Feb. 11.—In an effort to recapture the trenches lost southwest of Vimy, the French were repulsed in four successive attacks, according to the German official statement. The French also failed south of the River Somme. Unofficial reports say a notable artillery battle has been in progress for ten days near Ypres, but it is generally believed the Germans have decided to postpone the predicted offensive until more favorable weather.

The Russians report the capture of a hill near Lutsk.

Belgian officials say there is no foundation for the reports that Germany made peace proposals to Belgium.

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BUILDING 27 SHIPS IN UNITED STATES

Norway Formerly Built Them in Britain, Forced to America by War Conditions.

(By Associated Press.)
New York, Feb. 11.—The total number of steamships to be built in this country for Norwegian interests this year was brought up to twenty-seven Thursday by the announcement that contracts have just been awarded for building six vessels of 3,000 tons each at Manitowoc, Wis.

According to shipping men, the Norwegians have been purchasing as many steamers as were available for several months. When they were unable to make any further purchases they placed orders with American builders.

C. Ravn, Norwegian consul general here, said yesterday in explanation of the placing of orders here that formerly Norway obtained many of her steamships from England, but that now her shipyards are busy building British ships.

A Norwegian agent here said that prices for vessels were at least 50 per cent higher than before the war.

REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE TO MEET

Assembles at Fort Worth Feb. 22 to Arrange for State, District and County Conventions.

(By Associated Press.)
Paris, Tex., Feb. 11.—Chairman Phil Baer has issued a call for a Republican state executive committee meeting at Fort Worth Feb. 22 for arrangement for state, district, county and precinct conventions.

LAY BLAME TO EDISON BATTERY

Counsel for Sub Commander Summed Up Evidence—Captain McGrann Denied Finding.

(By Associated Press.)
New York, Feb. 11.—Responsibility for the explosion upon the submarine E-2, at the New York navy yard, which resulted in five deaths, was placed upon the Edison Storage Battery Company by Lieutenant C. W. Nimitz, counsel for Lieutenant Chas. M. Cooke of Arkansas, commander of the vessel, who summed up the evidence in the case yesterday afternoon before the naval court of inquiry.

Captain W. H. McGrann, U. S. N., retired, who has represented the Edison interests, declared on the contrary that they could not be held at fault.

Lieutenant Nimitz contended the storage battery, from which it has been asserted hydrogen gas was escaping, prior to the explosion, was installed absolutely in accordance with the directions of its manufacturers, as was its ventilation system. He asserted that the instructions for the care and operation of the battery were incomplete in regard to ventilation.

Captain McGrann said that while the Edison company was under no obligations to supply anything more than a battery for the E-2, it did all in its power to assure the success of the battery, supplying the navy department with all information possible concerning the battery, its ventilation and cooling system, which "played such an important part in the accident."

Captain McGrann pointed out that Lieutenant Cooke had ordered the intake valves of the ventilation system never to be closed during the discharge, but that Chief Electrician Miles had testified he ordered them partly closed just before the explosion.

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Death Ended Suffering of Longest Case of Invalidism Known in This Country.

(By Associated Press.)
New York, Feb. 11.—Miss Mollie Fancher, who spent the past fifty-eight years as a bed-ridden invalid, died in Brooklyn today, aged 75. A series of accidents when she was 17 years old deprived her of the use of all limbs, except the right arm.

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ARKANSAS FLOOD AT STANDSTILL

Arkansas River Levee Broke at One Place—Another Rise Expected Tonight.

(By Associated Press.)
Arkansas City, Ark., Feb. 11.—A break in the Arkansas River levee at Yancopin Thursday checked the rise of that river here. The White River remained almost stationary for twenty-four hours, but the rise is expected to resume tonight, however.

NOTED MEXICAN BANDIT CAPTURED

Caught in Mexico and Brought to Matamoros—Had Price of \$1,000 on His Head.

(By Associated Press.)
Brownsville, Tex., Feb. 11.—Anacleto Pizana, alleged leader of the Mexican bandits, for whom the state offered a \$1,000 reward, dead or alive, has been captured in Mexico and brought to Matamoros, according to an official report from Fort Brown today. He may be tried at Matamoros, and he may be turned over to the American officers.

ROGER BYRNE A CANDIDATE.

Announced for Congressman-at-Large From Texas.

Smithville, Tex., Feb. 11.—Roger Byrne has announced his candidacy for congressman at large before the Democratic primary, and will make known his views on national questions and begin an active canvass in a short time. Mr. Byrne is now a member of the house of representatives from this county, and has served several terms to the entire satisfaction of his constituents.

APPROVES FIRING 82 MIDSHIPMEN

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, Feb. 11.—Secretary of the Navy Daniels approves the recommendations of the Annapolis naval academic board dismissing eighty-two midshipmen for failure in studies.

NO CHANGE IN ST. CLAIR CHILD

Dallas, Tex., Feb. 11.—The condition of Katy St. Clair, survivor of the spike-bar attack at Mingsus, who was brought here, is unchanged today.

SUCCEEDS H. H. JOBSON.

Dr. Humbert Plant Breeder in Cotton Investigation at A. and M.

College Station, Tex., Feb. 11.—The appointment of Dr. E. P. Humbert, succeeding H. H. Jobson, as plant breeder in cotton investigations at the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, has been announced by Director B. Youngblood of the experiment station system. Dr. Humbert will make his headquarters at the main station at the A. and M. College and conduct his investigations there.

Dr. Humbert has had splendid training and wide experience. He graduated from Ames (Iowa) State Agricultural College in 1906, specializing in agronomy. The following year he taught farm crops in that institution. The next year he entered Cornell University and received the degrees of M. S. and Ph. D. from that institution. In 1910 he was made plant physiologist in the United States department of agriculture. In 1911 he became associate biologist at the Maine agricultural experiment station, resigning that post in 1912 to go to the New Mexico Agricultural College and Experiment Station as agronomist, where he remained until his appointment to the Texas station.

SECRETARY OF WAR QUILTS THE CABINET

Lindley M. Garrison Differs With President Wilson and Tenders Resignation.

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, Feb. 11.—Lindley M. Garrison, secretary of war, yesterday tendered his resignation to President Wilson and it was accepted. Refusal by the president to insist upon acceptance of the continental army plan generally opposed in congress and Mr. Garrison's disapproval of the Philippine independence bill as it passed the senate are understood to have been responsible for his decision to quit the cabinet.

The resignation of Henry C. Breckenridge, assistant secretary of war was also announced.

President Wilson has supported the continental army scheme and continues to believe that it is the best plan for strengthening the army. He has made it plain, however, in his speeches and in talks with congressional leaders that the main thing is to get a large reserve for the United States army and that the details must be worked out through "common counsel."

The president and Secretary Garrison have been close personal friends since the administration came into office and have stood together on practically every question.

It was officially announced at the White House last night at 8 o'clock that Secretary Garrison's resignation had been accepted by the president.

General Scott Temporary Secretary.

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, Feb. 11.—President Wilson finds himself today personally in charge of the administration's plans for strengthening the army, following the resignations last night of Secretary of War Garrison and Assistant Secretary Breckenridge. The reasons for Secretary Garrison's resignation is disclosed in a lengthy correspondence which revealed opposition to the Philippine measure, in which a definite time was set for Philippine independence and because President Wilson would not "irrevocably" support the continental army plan. Assistant Secretary Breckenridge resigned on account of loyalty to his chief. Major General Hugh L. Scott, chief of staff, automatically becomes secretary of war ad interim. Secretary of the Interior Lane and Assistant Sec-

retary of the Navy Roosevelt are mentioned as probable successors. The president will probably make the appointment immediately. Secretary of Agriculture David F. Houston of Texas is also considered to succeed Garrison.

Sick of Public Life.
(By Associated Press.)

New York, Feb. 11.—Former Secretary of War Garrison announced here today that he intended "absolutely to retire from public life and politics." He would not discuss his resignation from any political angle.

Garrison intimated he might "do something" in giving support to the continental army movement. He denied that he would oppose President Wilson like Bryan did.

BANKER GOT SENTENCE COMMUTED

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, Dec. 11.—President Wilson commutes to two years the five-year sentence of W. P. Phillips, an officer of the Vinita (Oklahoma) National Bank, charged with making false entries. The bank suffered no loss.

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