

THE EL PASO HERALD

Col. House, Boy-Ed, Whitlock Leave U. S. Council Leaders Facing Arrest

GOES TO EUROPE

President's Emissary Says He Will Visit American Embassies Abroad.

GERMAN ATTACHE SHOWS IRRITATION

Minister to Belgium, Health Recovered, Expresses His Appreciation.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—

Capt. Karl Haus, president Wilson's special emissary and Brand Whitlock, American minister at Brussels, boarded the steamship Rotterdam within a few minutes of each other today to sail for Europe.

House to Visit Embassies.

Col. House said he would visit the American embassies at London, Paris and Berlin, and possibly Vienna. Concerning the object of his mission, he said he had nothing to add to his previous statement in which he declared that his trip would in no way be a peace mission, but that he was going at the request of president Wilson and secretary Lansing fully to inform various diplomats as to the precise attitude of this government.

Whitlock Is Appreciative.

Mr. Whitlock and his wife reached the pier some time before the vessel sailed and the crowd that surrounded them was so large and demonstrative that it was necessary for a policeman to escort the pair down the pier to the gang plank.

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The War At a Glance

PETROGRAD reports a successful naval operation off the Bulgarian Black Sea coast. Further dispatches today regarding the torpedoing of the French steamer Ville de la Clotat confirm previous advices that 30 lives were lost when she sunk. The survivors are given as numbering 295.

Westende Is Bombaraded.

Westeende, on the Belgian coast, has again been bombarded by allied monitors, Berlin reporting that three residents, two of them women, were killed.

Gov. Ferguson Wishes to Combine Four Primaries Into One.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 28.—Governor Ferguson is expected to determine within the next few days, whether or not he will call a special session of the 34th legislature to take some action looking to the amendment of the primary election laws of Texas.

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KING PETER IS STILL DEFIANT

Monarch of Serbia Says Victory Must Be Wrought Out of Present Losses.

Paris, France, Dec. 28.—"King Peter of Serbia was brought from Durazzo to Avlona on an Italian cruiser," says the Journal's Avlona correspondent. "The voyage was rough and the king had to be carried ashore in an armchair. It was a tragic and heart-rending spectacle."

BRITISH SEIZE U. S. MAIL FROM TWO NEUTRAL SHIPS

Berlin, Germany, Dec. 28.—(By wireless to Sayville, L. I.)—Seizure by the British government of Am. mail from two neutral steamships on their way to Holland is reported in a Rotterdam dispatch given out by the Overseas Bureau.

ALMOST WITH AFFECTION

Rome, Italy, Dec. 28.—Italy is treating her Austrian prisoners with great kindness, according to a report by the Spanish ambassador, who has just made a round of the prison camps. His report follows:

GREECE ASKS BULGARIA TO WITHDRAW TROOPS

Berlin, Germany, Dec. 28.—(By wireless to Sayville, L. I.)—According to advices received here from Sofia an amicable adjustment has been reached of the differences between Greece and Bulgaria, which arose from the engagements between troops of those two nations.

ARTILLERY DUEL IS WAGED THROUGH VOSGES DISTRICT

Paris, France, Dec. 28.—An artillery engagement of great activity over the whole front in the Vosges district was reported in the communication this afternoon from the war office.

HOLDS BROTHER OF GENERAL OREGON

Hopes To Force Obregon To Grant Him Amnesty For Brother's Sake.

MORE VILLISTAS SURRENDERING

Ban Is Placed On All Newspapers In Ciudad Juarez; Gambling Closed Up.

SWEDISH REPLY TO PEACE EFFORTS

Stockholm, Sweden, Dec. 28.—The public meeting held Monday night under the auspices of the Ford peace expedition is characterized as the most enthusiastic demonstration for peace that Europe has seen since the war began.

AMERICAN PRISONERS FREE

The 20 Americans held by Villa in Chihuahua City, brought from Madera, have asked whether they shall come to the border or return to Madera again, stating that they are free to go anywhere they please.

ALLIED MONITORS ATTACK WESTENDE; THREE KILLED

Berlin, Germany, Dec. 28.—Allied monitors have shelled Westende, on the Belgian coast, three residents being killed, two of whom were women, it is declared in today's war office bulletin.

AMMUNITION FOR JUAREZ

Word was received by federal authorities in El Paso Tuesday forenoon on a shipment of ammunition for Constitutional troops on the way to Juarez and matters were arranged with Gen. Obregon for the delivery of the same and it exploded prematurely.

AUSTRIA HAS DECIDED TO STAND PAT AND UPHOLD VIGOROUSLY ACTS OF HER SUBMARINE COMMANDER IN SINKING ANCONA, IS UNOFFICIAL REPORT SENT TO WASHINGTON; PARIS HEARS THE SAME REPORT.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 28.—Advices received recently through Baron Erich Zwiadnick, the Austrian charge here, were to the effect that Austria would be "guided by concern" for the good relations existing between the two countries.

BRITAIN ALTERS RED CROSS BAN

Washington, D. C., Dec. 28.—Informal assurances that the British order restricting American shipments of hospital supplies to the central powers is about to be modified, have been received by the Red Cross.

INDIAN TROOPS ARE TAKEN FROM FRANCE

London, Eng., Dec. 28.—No announcement has yet been made here as to the destination of the Indian army corps, the withdrawal of which from France to "another field of operations" has been officially announced.

MONTENEGRINS TAKE THREE VILLAGES FROM AUSTRIANS

Paris, France, Dec. 28.—An official statement given out by the Montenegro consul today, bearing the date of December 26, follows:

PAYMENTS ON GERMAN LOAN EXCEED AMOUNT NOW DUE

Berlin, Germany, Dec. 28.—(By wireless to Sayville, L. I.)—Cash payments on the third German war loan reached 11,130,000 marks on December 22, this being 91.4 percent of the total subscription, the Overseas News agency announced today; this despite the fact that only 75 percent of the total is so far due.

GERMAN OFFICER AND DAVID LAMAR ARE ALLEGED TO BE INVOLVED IN PLOT

BIG SUM SPENT ON LABOR AGENTS

Member and Former Member of Congress Among Those Under Indictment.

Connected With "Peace Council"

All of the indicted men except Lamar and von Rintelen are officers or former officers of the "peace council," an organization which the government charged was formed and financed by Rintelen to bring labor leaders to call strikes in munition plants in furtherance of German propaganda in this country.

Lamar Alleged Agent

Lamar, who has been called the "wolf of Wall street," is charged with being von Rintelen's packmaster. It is said hundreds of thousands of dollars passed through his hands, and it is alleged he benefited personally to the extent of \$100,000.

Organized to Make Trouble

Labor's National Peace Council was organized by word to this year after the arrival in this country on April 3 of Capt. von Rintelen, who is reputed to be high on the councils of the German government.

Merely Enriched His Agents

Von Rintelen, according to United States secret service agents, finally discovered that he was pouring out his money without result, except to enrich the men he employed, as his agents. Some strikes were called but they failed to have any important effect on the exportation of munitions. The German agent decided to leave the country.

Ready to Begin Work On the Rescue Home Playhouse

LUMBER is on the ground and work will start on the playhouse and kindergarten for the Rescue Home boys and girls as soon as the weather has moderated enough to allow the workmen to work in comfort.

Commends Herald As An Automobile Seller

Editor El Paso Herald: This response to our "Pay-As-You-Ride" plan of buying a Maxwell has been positively overwhelming. We never imagined that so many prospective Maxwell owners would be anxious to talk over the proposition. It is our personal offer—something that only ourselves could discuss. Consequently it has been impossible to meet all of those who requested interviews.

The World's Champion Optimist--A French Soldier

TERNATIVE once more—either the bombs burst or they do not. If they do burst, there is still the old alternative—either you are hit or you are not. If not, there is no reason to be downhearted just because you have had a little emotion. You are hit—two alternatives—your wounds are not downhearted at all. If the wound is bad, there are even two alternatives—you die or you don't die. If you die, it's clear that you are not downhearted, and if you don't die, two alternatives again—they'll amputate you or else they won't. You are hit—then you'll be retired from service, and needn't worry further. And in both cases you'll be brought to a hospital where nice little ladies will take care of you and you'll be in the downhearted camp ever. But in the second case (if they don't amputate), behold the alternative once more: When you're wounded, you will be sent back to camp or else to convalescence. If you become a convalescent, you get a good time and don't worry. But if you go back to camp, then the two alternatives as before—either you are sent to the front or you are sent to the rear—and you again all over again.

Let El Paso and Juarez Engage in Rivary to See Which Can Be the Cleaner