

FACE SERIOUS BREAK; WILSON REMAINS FIRM

Congress May Take Action on Keeping Americans Off Ships. RESOLUTION BY ORDER IS REFUSED Will be Presented Again Tomorrow—Against Any Legislation.

Washington, Feb. 24.—Senator Gore announced that he would offer a concurrent resolution expressing it to be the sense of congress that Americans should keep off armed merchant ships.

Washington, Feb. 24.—Congress assembled today with agitation for action warning Americans off belligerent ships overshadowing all other questions.

President Wilson's supporters worked to hold the administration forces in line and keep the question from the floor of congress.

Canvass Sentiment. The foreign affairs committee began a canvass of sentiment in the house to develop the extent to which resolutions of warning would be supported.

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Messages From Commander of Lost L-19 Picked From North Sea; Placed in Bottle

London, Feb. 24.—A bottle has been picked up from the sea containing the last messages from the commander of the Zeppelin L-19 which was wrecked in the North sea. The messages are addressed to the commander's parents, his wife and little son.

REGULAR ARMY MEN MINIMIZE EFFICIENCY OF NATIONAL GUARD

JEALOUSY TO BLAME, DECLARE N. D. GUARDSMEN

Hope for Better Deal From Washington Stirs up new Interest.

STATE ASSOCIATION IS IN SESSION

First Meeting Held This Morning—Big Banquet on Tonight.

Over 100 members of the North Dakota National Guard association were in attendance today at the annual convention of the association which is being held in Grand Forks today and tomorrow.

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KAISER IS AT VERDUN FRONT; DIRECTS FIGHT

Making Daily Speeches to Soldiers, Urging Victory Over French.

London, Feb. 24.—Emperor William has established his headquarters at the German positions facing Verdun, according to information received from Berlin by the Evening News.

WEDDING BOAT TRIP IS FATAL

Seward, Alaska, Feb. 24.—The launch Mattie, carrying a wedding party from Afognak to Kodiak, foundered a few days ago and four persons were drowned.

WEATHER FORECAST. North Dakota: Generally fair tonight and Friday. Warmer in north portion tonight.

PROSPECTIVE SUPREME COURT MEMBER IS STRONGLY IN FAVOR OF SINGLE TAX



Louis D. Brandeis.

(As head of the Zionist movement, Louis D. Brandeis has been inspired by zeal for constructive statesmanship as much as racial reasons. Among other things the prospective supreme court justice hopes to establish equal rights in the soil by a system based on Biblical ideals.)

GREATEST EFFORT YET MADE BY TEUTONS; SEVERAL VILLAGES ARE TAKEN IN TERRIFIC FIGHTING

With a quarter million Germans hurling themselves at the French lines in a great effort to break through the western front and take the fortress of Verdun, all interest is centered in that quarter.

The present effort is under his command on a scale that indicates the most determined effort yet of his armies to break down barriers with which the French have protected their stronghold.

COMPANY BUYS THREE LARGE OCEAN VESSELS

Deal Between Two Concerns Involves \$4,000,000 According to Reports.

San Francisco, Feb. 24.—The purchase of the Royal Dutch West India mail of three large steamships by the Pacific Mail Steamship company, under joint control of the American International corporation and the New York and W. R. Grace and company of San Francisco, is announced here.

French Aeroplanes Raid German City of Metz

Paris, Feb. 24.—A squadron of French aeroplanes yesterday bombed the railroad station on the outskirts of Metz, also the gas tank. A great fire was observed, the war office reports.

Further Gains Claimed by Germans Near Verdun

Berlin, Feb. 24.—Further gains for Germany in the region north of the French fortress of Verdun are reported by the war office. The statement says the entire wooded district northwest and northeast of Beaumont, also the forest of Herbe, is in possession of Germans.

French Lines Remain Unbroken Before Assault

Paris, Feb. 24.—Fighting continues with undiminished intensity in the region north of the French war office announced. The loss of the village of Brabant is admitted by the war office. The war office announces, however, that the French line has not been broken at any point.

SAIL WORKERS ARE DRIVEN FROM POSTS

Philadelphia, Feb. 24.—Workmen in the sail loft at the Philadelphia navy yard were driven from the building yesterday by a fire of undetermined origin that was discovered in a pile of wood in the loft.

FIVE WOMEN MAIL CLERKS REINSTATED

San Francisco, Feb. 24.—Five women clerks in the San Francisco post office who were dismissed in 1911, charged with taking "dead" mail, consisting of candy last April, were reinstated on the eligible list yesterday by President Wilson in an executive order, according to a messenger received here.

AGED ODD FELLOW DIES IN IOWA

Centerville, La., Feb. 24.—John Lanford, the oldest Odd Fellow in the state died yesterday at the age of 99 years.

BRITISH FEEL EFFECT OF PINCH

Washington, Feb. 24.—Consular dispatches received here yesterday told how Great Britain as well as the United States is feeling the pinch of a dyestuff shortage.

NO CAUSE FOR APPREHENSION

Washington, Feb. 24.—American shippers have no cause for apprehension, according to Minister Ekenren of Sweden, on account of the recent announcement of the Swedish-American line that it would not accept consignments for Sweden not billed to the government or to the Swedish food commission.

HANEL TAKEN TO NEW YORK

New York, Feb. 24.—Joseph F. Hanel, arrested in Baltimore Tuesday, in connection with the police inquiry into the murder of Mrs. Julia Hanel in Brooklyn last April, was brought here late yesterday, having waived extradition in Maryland. He will be arraigned in a Brooklyn court today.

ARMSTRONG GIVEN HIS SENTENCE YESTERDAY

Last Man to be Convicted in Connection With Alleged Swindle of \$6,000,000. Philadelphia, Feb. 24.—William H. Armstrong, Jr., the last of the six men convicted in connection with the alleged \$6,000,000 International Lumber and Development company swindle, was committed to prison in federal court here yesterday under his original sentence of two years and a fine of \$2,000, although President Wilson last week commuted the sentence to six months.