

STORM VICTIM NOT EXPECTED TO RECOVER

Mrs. Carl Mortenson, of Wimbledon, in Critical Condition.

LOSS TO EXCEED \$350,000 MARK

Others Injured are Recovering—Many Towns are Hit.

(Herald Special Service.) Valley City, N. D., May 26.—Mrs. Carl Mortenson of Wimbledon, who was the most seriously injured of the victims in yesterday's tornado in that district, still lies in a local hospital, unconscious for the time. Chances for her recovery are remote, while the other storm victims, hospital physicians said, are improving satisfactorily.

PROGRESSIVES AS ALTERNATES, IS PLAN

Portland, Ore., May 26.—Ralph Williams, republican national committee man from Oregon, who is in Chicago today, announced that Oregon's five progressive national convention delegates will be seated as alternates in the republican national convention if his efforts are able to bring them about.

Under Oregon's primary election law there is no provision made for the election of alternates. Mr. Williams said he was hopeful for the consolidation of republican and progressive forces at Chicago.

VIOLENT FIGHT IS REPORTED

Paris, May 26.—Reports received from Saloniki by the Havas correspondent at Athens yesterday are that a violent bombardment in the sector from Dolran to Crevin on the Macedonian front has been accompanied by infantry actions and that the wounded are being brought in from the front by Red Cross ambulances.

BURKE TO TAKE STUMP JUNE 2

United States Treasurer to Open His Campaign in Fargo.

(Herald Special Service.) Fargo, N. D., May 26.—John Burke, treasurer of the United States, will open his campaign for the democratic nomination for United States senator in Fargo on June 2, he wired local democratic friends here today, opposing F. O. Hellstrom for the nomination, and the announcement that he will come for the primary campaign has created surprise among democrats.

Paris, May 26.—French aeroplanes operating from the lines of the Entente Allies south of the Macedonian border dropped bombs yesterday morning on Xanthi, Vales and Uskup, Serbia, inflicting considerable damage, according to a Havas dispatch from Athens.

COURT APPROVES, BUT HAS TO FINE

Baton Rouge, La., May 26.—Adjutant General Meehan and A. D. Stewart, a prominent New Orleans hotel man, each paid a \$150 fine in city court yesterday for their pre-arranged fist fight on the capitol lawn which they designated as "an affair of honor."

TO CONSIDER REVENUE BILL

Democrats to Discuss Question Monday—Many Provisions Included.

Washington, May 26.—The whole revenue question is to be taken up Monday by the democratic members of the house ways and means committee under a call issued today. The bulk of the revenue, which is to be raised under the general bill which will include provision for a non-partisan tariff commission, will be sought through income and inheritance taxes and a tax on war munitions manufactured here.

GEORGE VON MEYER TELLS COLONEL G. O. P. VOTERS INSISTING HE RUN



George von L. Meyer (right) telling Col. Roosevelt that people are for him.

George von L. Meyer, a member of Taft's cabinet, headed a committee representing an organization of Taft Republicans, which recently called on Colonel Roosevelt at Crystal Bay and informed him that the republicans who supported Taft four years ago are for Roosevelt for president now.

GERMAN U-BOAT NAVAL OFFICER IS FIRED UPON IS ELECTROCUTED

Attacked Once by Steamer Flying Swedish Flag, Says Report. Shocked to Death at Sag Harbor—Suicide is Suggested.

Berlin, May 26.—By Wireless to Sayville.—The Nieuwe Rotterdam Courant reported on April 25 that the Dutch steamship Soerakarta had witnessed the destruction of a German submarine by a British trawler, at a point between the Irish coast and the Shetland Islands, the Overseas News agency says.

NO VERDICT IS DIRECTED

Justice Siddons Over-rules Motion of Counsel For Riggs Bank Officials.

Washington, May 26.—Justice Siddons overruled today the motion by counsel for the three officers of the Riggs National bank on trial for perjury that he direct the jury to bring in a verdict of not guilty, because a charge of perjury could not be predicated on a mixed question of law and fact. It is believed the case will go to the jury late today.

Chicago, May 26.—Galbraith Miller, Jr., of Milwaukee was elected branch president and Frank R. Hamburger of Detroit secretary of the National Association of Garment Manufacturers, at the closing session of the association yesterday.

Russian Commission Declares That Portugal Was Properly Marked; Findings Given Out

Washington, May 26.—The Russian embassy last night made public the findings of a special commission which investigated the torpedoing of the Russian hospital ship Portugal by a Turkish submarine several months ago. The Ottoman government claimed that the Portugal was not properly marked to establish her non-combatant character.

5. The Portugal had in tow three flat-boats and one steam launch specially provided for the transportation of wounded from the shore to the hospital ship and the steered launch was flying at the stern a flag of the Red Cross, 12 by 12 feet square.

6. The Portugal had been used to transport not only Russian wounded, but Turkish, which has been proved by a list of the wounded transported from Rishel to Batoum on the 6th of March, 1916, found in a deck which had floated ashore from the Portugal near the station of Kaboulitz.

No Expressions of Regret. Berlin, May 26.—By Wireless to Sayville.—The Russian members of the Stockholm International Red Cross committee have returned home, "giving as a reason that the German members had refused to express regret for the destruction of the Russian hospital ship Portugal."

7. The Portuguese was painted white down to the water line with a broad red stripe along both sides, the funnels were also painted white, with large red crosses on them, and at night there was a cross of red electric lights.

8. The prolonged stay of the submarine near the Portugal excludes the possibility that the officers and crew could not see the distinctive marks on the ship and also the listers of Charity and the male assistants who were standing on the deck in their usual uniforms with the signs of the Red Cross.

TAFT URGES WORLD COURT FOR PEACE

Declares the United States Ought to Accept Membership.

ADDRESS DEVOTED TO TECHNICAL END

Refrains from Discussing Causes of Present Struggle.

Washington, May 26.—The acceptance of membership by the United States in a world court in which the joint powers would use their armed and economic forces to enforce its decrees in the interests of international peace, was urged by former President Taft before the League to Enforce Peace, of which he is president.

While Taft urged the future formation of such a world court, he refrained from discussing the causes of the present struggle for peace, and the international tribunal. He denied that such action would curtail the power of either the president or congress by limiting the constitutional discretion of that body to declare war. He explained that the league's platform proposes consular submission to the world court of all international disputes not settled by diplomatic negotiations and which are "justifiable questions."

LLOYD GEORGE TO FORE IN CRISIS

Has Saved England in many Exigency Since War Began.

London, May 26.—David Lloyd George, stepping temporarily from the ministry of munitions to a port of round table conference to settle the conflict of the nationalistic and internationalist groups, and the emergency during the war this statesman has come to the front as a strong man and savior of the country.

In the early days of the war he gained an enviable reputation in the eyes of the men of all parties for his capable handling of the nation's finances and then came to the rescue in the military emergency as head of the ministry of munitions to provide the army with shells.

Lately he was undoubtedly his foremost personality which converted the country in the face of the strongest opposition to universal military service. Now, he steps into the breach to settle the most difficult political problems ever presented to British statesmen—to reconcile the apparently irreconcilable sections of the industrial and agricultural world in Ireland. How Mr. Lloyd George will be able to arrange a formal conference, and exactly what shape the conference will take, is still unknown.

He has been engaged for some time in informal talks preparatory to such a conference and it is expected that the fact that the Irish nationalist leader, and Sir Edward Carson, the Ulster leader, the conference will include Herbert Samuel, the home secretary, who had much to do with the formation of the cabinet, and the home rule act. Other names mentioned are John Dillon and Joseph Devlin. It is asserted the proceedings of the conference will be quite confidential and that the place of meeting will be Lloyd George's private room at the ministry of munitions in Whitehall.

In the parliamentary lobbies today a feeling of optimism prevailed that the circumstances under which the parties are being called together offer a fair chance of settlement.

RATIONS OF GERMAN PRISONERS CUT DOWN

Berlin, May 26.—The following statement was given out by the Overseas News agency: "It is announced officially that the French government at the beginning of the year 1916, decreased the bread and meat rations of German prisoners of war. The reason given by the French government for this arbitrary measure was that whereas the prisoners in Germany had received similar treatment. The French government did not take into consideration the fact that the universal blockade of Germany necessitated decreased consumption of bread and meat, whereas France can import these supplies freely."

The German government protested immediately and at the same time, in reprisal, cut off the importation of supplies for French war prisoners in France. The French government then increased the meat rations for German prisoners so that measures taken by the German government might be cancelled.

ORGANIZE LEAGUE

San Francisco, May 26.—The Roosevelt republican league of California was organized here yesterday to further the candidacy of Theodore Roosevelt for the republican presidential nomination.

Among the organizers are Victor H. Metcalf, former secretary of the league, and George A. Knight, former mayor and of the republican national committee.

REGENS PLAN UNIFICATION FOR SCHOOLS

Department to be Combined Under Single Head in Many Cases.

DUPLICATION TO BE ELIMINATED

Two New Members of Faculty Employed for Agricultural College.

(Herald Special Service.) Fargo, N. D., May 26.—Further plans for consolidation of similar work in educational institutions of the state were considered at the meeting of the board of regents held here today.

While no definite action has been taken as yet, it is thought likely that the English and public speaking departments of the North Dakota agricultural college will be combined under the jurisdiction of the English department.

Two Appointments Made. Two new appointments to the faculty of the agricultural college were also made today.

Miss Katherine Jensen was named head of the department of domestic science, and Richard Craft, superintendent of buildings and grounds, has been recently employed in the domestic science department of the Montana agricultural college.

Hult in Charge. At the session held Thursday at Valley City the consolidation scheme was formally launched by the combination of all the departments of foreign languages at the state university under the general direction of Prof. Gottfried Hult, professor of Greek.

Steps were also taken towards eliminating to a great extent the duplication of work existing at present between the university and the agricultural college.

With this end in view the work along engineering lines was divided between the two institutions according to their respective needs. The agricultural college will continue to give training along the lines of engineering science of direct value from an industrial and agricultural viewpoint, such as highway, drainage and tractor engineering, but the professional branches leading to the professional engineering degree will be confined to the university.

Similar action was taken in regard to the training of teachers. Teachers in agriculture and other matters will be trained at the agricultural college hereafter, but all others must take their work at the university.

The department of agriculture will be retained at the agricultural college. The heads of practically all of the state educational institutions have been present at the conference to present their needs to the board.

SALVARSAN REACHES HERE FROM GERMANY

New York, May 26.—A shipment of salvarsan valued at \$500,000 was received here yesterday from Germany. It was announced by the drug company which it was consigned. The shipment was the first to enter this country since the war began and the supply in the United States was virtually exhausted several months ago.

Negotiations for the exportation of the drug from Germany were conducted through the state department and Emperor William is reported to have issued a special order directing the shipment.

The drug was sent through Holland and was shipped on a Dutch steamer after the British and French governments had given assurances that it would not be confiscated.

Disputes Anent Monroe Doctrine Would go to Commission; Changes In Interpretation Necessary

Washington, May 26.—Under the plan for world-peace as outlined in the program of the League to Enforce Peace, the United States might have to relinquish some of its older interpretations of the Monroe Doctrine in the event of a dispute with a European power, George Grafton Wilson, professor of international law at Harvard, declared in an address here today before the first national assembly of the league.

Under peace treaties signed in recent years, Prof. Wilson said, such concessions will have to be made.

"The United States has, within recent years," he said, "become a party to a large number of treaties in which the high contracting parties agree that all disputes between them, of every nature whatsoever, to the settlement of which previous arbitration treaties or agreements do not apply in their terms or are not applied in fact, shall, when diplomatic methods of adjustment fail, be referred for investigation and report to an international commission, and they agree not to declare war or begin hostilities during such investigation and before the report is submitted."

"It is mainly therefore the United States is bound to accept the other treaties of which there are a large number, to submit disputes involving the Monroe Doctrine to a body which would meet the requirements of the platform of the League to Enforce Peace.

"A dispute in regard to the Monroe Doctrine or involving its principles whatever they may be would surely be included in the agreement made by

BANDIT LEADER IS KILLED IN BRIEF BATTLE

Cervantes, Villa General, Victim of His Own Surprise Attack.

DRIVEN TO HILLS, WHERE HE FALLS

Assailed American Engineers—He and His Men Were Beaten Back.

Field Headquarters, near Nampulca, Mexico, May 26.—(Radio to Columbus.)—Candelario Cervantes, the Villa bandit leader, was killed by the American troops south of Cruces.

The end came after he had made a surprise attack on a detachment of engineers repairing a motor truck road south of Cruces.

He was beaten back and pursued into the hills by the engineers, who were reinforced by a detachment of the Seventh Infantry. One other Mexican and one American were killed. Two Americans were wounded.

MEXICAN MINISTER REPORTS. Mexico City, May 26.—Foreign Minister Aguilar issued a statement saying that in spite of the agreement made by General Scott with General Obregon that no more American troops would cross the border, 400 soldiers had entered Mexico in pursuit of bandits near Bouquillas. The statement says these troops now have been withdrawn.

Extra Precautions. El Paso, May 26.—Residents of Dona Ana county, New Mexico, along the border, are taking extra precautions against trouble following the shooting last night of a Mexican by the deputy sheriff, nine Mexicans approached the Casarr ranch last night and were ordered away. One, Antonio Bonitas, was shot when he refused to leave.

MRS. MATTERS CLAIMS CHILD

To Appear Before Judge Landis to Attempt to Prove Motherhood.

Chicago, May 26.—Mrs. Annie Dolle Leary, a woman who with Charles E. Mellon and Harry Edwards was found not guilty of attempting to foist a spurious heir upon the probate court yesterday, will appear before Judge Landis today to defend her right of motherhood to the baby she claims her own.

A hearing is being held today under writ of habeas corpus sought by Margaret Rick, a Canadian girl who claims she gave birth to the baby in dispute. Upon the application of attorneys for the prosecution, the court will again face trial on charges of perjury and fraud in producing an heir. The hearing is set for May 29.

WOMAN NOT GUILTY. Chicago, May 26.—Mrs. Dolly Ledgerwood, a woman who with her co-defendants, charged with conspiring to foist a spurious heir to the Matters estate in the probate court of Cook county, were found not guilty today.

FRENCH REGAIN FEW POSITIONS LOST THURSDAY

New Efforts of Germans Near Dead Man's Hill Are Expected.

AUSTRIAN DRIVE LOSES VELOCITY

Rome Declares that Terrific Pace Cannot be Kept for Long.

London, May 26.—The French regained some of the ground lost yesterday east of the Meuse. New efforts of the German Crown Prince to advance against the French left flank at Dead Man's Hill probably are in preparation, an artillery fire at that point is decidedly heavy.

The Austrian drive in Italian territory has lost its initial velocity. Rome claims continued fighting will show a reversal of form, and that the Austrians cannot keep up the fight and will be forced to back up.

LITTLE CHANGE. Paris, May 26.—There is little change in the situation on the Verdun front, says the French official announcement today. Artillery bombardments are very violent about Avocourt Wood and Dead Man's Hill. At the latter place a German attack was stopped by a curtain of French fire.

Fighting Shifts. Austro-Hungarian Press Headquarters, May 26.—The heaviest of the fighting on the Austro-Hungarian front has shifted to the eastward and now is taking place between the Aetio and the Aasi, which territory already is half occupied by the Austro-Hungarian 4th corps. Campolongo, which was reported captured on Tuesday, is one of the main industrial post defenses of Asiago (about ten miles south of the border) toward which the Austrians are heading.

The high, rocky wall to the east of the Aasi valley is still held by the Italians, dominating the road below, but the Austrians already have taken the first peak of this ridge—Mont Kempein, 3,316 meters high—by attacking from the west and the Sigana valley.

DIRECTED VERDICT FOR ALLEGED SLAYER

(Herald Special Service.) Bismarck, N. D., May 26.—Judge Lewis of the United States court directed a verdict of not guilty in the white slave case against J. J. Mock of Leith, holding that there was no violation of the federal statute as the woman's husband had furnished her transportation.

The jury in the case of the United States vs. Fred Schmidt, postmaster at Fort Rice, charging embezzlement, brought in a verdict of guilty. Mrs. Soule, who was postmistress a part of the time and who acted as a government agent in an effort to obtain the case, will not be prosecuted. The court has not passed sentence on Schmidt.

AGITATION IN GREECE GROWS

Public Aroused over Sinking of Vessels by Teutonic Submarines.

Athens, May 26.—Agitation throughout Greece caused by the news that three Greek vessels continue to grow. Resolutions were passed by the League of Shipowners and the sailors' labor union demanding that the government take action to stop attacks on Greek merchant ships. The shipowners' league has decided to bring legal action in an effort to obtain the seizure of the Austro-German ships interned in Greek ports, unless the central powers indemnify the owners of the torpedoed merchantmen.

WOMEN HURT IN BAD FOOD RIOT

Storm Meat Shops of Frankfurt-on-the-Main—Police Drive Them Back.

London, May 26.—An Amsterdam dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company says that 18 women were wounded in a fight between the police and food rioters at Frankfurt-on-the-Main Wednesday night. The riot is said to have started owing to the shortage of meat in butcher shops. Three hundred women, who were denied meat, marched through the streets carrying black banners and shouting "bread or bullets." They fought their way into the shops and seized meat. The police attempted to "shoot the riot," but met with a

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