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LOSS OF LIFE AT WARSAW IS GREATEST IN HISTORY

German War Zone Edict Expects Our Ships MORGAN HAS COMPETITOR IN "DICK" RYAN

DICK RYAN OFFERS TO BUILD ROAD

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Dick Ryan, in his eagerness to prevent the purchase by the United States government of the Copper River and Northwestern Railroad, submitted a proposition to build a line from Forty-mile river in the Interior of Alaska, thence to the coal mines, thence down to tidewater at Controller Bay.

Work to Begin in June. WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Secretary of the Interior Franklin K. Lane desires to begin the active construction work on Alaska railroads by the first of June, according to the stenographic reports of his statements before the House Appropriations committee, and he desired enough money to keep men engaged from that time. He also desired enough money to make some sort of a deposit on the purchase price of any railroad that it might be desired to construct.

A significant paragraph in the testimony of Mr. Lane follows: "What we want to do is to be in position to begin operations in June. Wherever we are going we want to have some leeway so that whatever road we determine to purchase, if we determine to purchase any, we still have some kind of a deposit to make on it."

TO DECIDE ON EXTRA SESSION NEXT WEEK

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Whether there will be an extra session of Congress in case of the defeat of the ship-purchase bill will be decided in a conference between President Woodrow Wilson and Democratic leaders next week.

TORPEDO BOATS TO BE BUILT ON PACIFIC

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—The House today accepted an amendment to the naval appropriations bill offered by Representative Will E. Humphrey, of Seattle, providing that three of the six proposed torpedo boats be built on the Pacific coast.

An amendment offered by Majority Leader Underwood that only one instead of two dreadnaughts be built was defeated.

PROVISION MADE FOR NEW DREADNAUGHTS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Provision for the construction of two super dreadnaught battleships was retained in the naval bill as it passed the House of Representatives.

MRS. STONEWELL JACKSON IS DANGEROUSLY ILL

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Feb. 6.—Mrs. Thomas Jonathan Jackson, widow of Gen. "Stonewall" Jackson, is seriously ill at this place.

AMERICAN TO BUY.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—E. N. Breitung, whose purchase of the Hamburg-American freighter *Dacia* has been declared by the British government not to be bona fide, has purchased, or is about to take over, five more Hamburg line ships, according to reports credited to shipping circles. The vessels are the *Constantina*, *Georgia*, *Altemania*, and *Albinga*, and a fifth, said to be the *Nassovia*.

Julius P. Meyer, one of the vice-directors of the Hamburg-American line, says that the sale of the steamship *Dacia* to Edward N. Breitung was an absolutely bona fide transaction in every sense.

TO RESUME ROCK ISLAND INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Investigation of the financial operations of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad Company, by the Interstate Commerce Commission will be resumed next week by Commissioner Clements.

THE WEATHER TODAY.
Maximum—33.
Minimum—22.
Rainfall—0.6 inch.
Cloudy; rain.

DELHI OFF ROCKS BUT SINKS AGAIN

TO PURCHASE VESSEL.

SEATTLE, Feb. 6.—It was announced today by President Ford, of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company that the company would buy a new vessel to replace the *Delhi*, lost in Alaska waters.

Delhi Breaks Up. WRANGELL, Feb. 5.—The *Salvor* arrived here Thursday. She reported that the *Delhi* broke up two Wednesday during a heavy westerly swell. Everything is gone. When no hope of saving the destroyed vessel was left the *Salvor* left.

The *Delhi* is a total loss, according to word brought to Juneau by Capt. Charles McGregor, of the *Al-Kl*. Capt. McGregor says that he was told when the *Al-Kl* was at Wrangell that the *Salvor* had succeeded in getting the *Delhi* off the Strait Island rocks only to lose her again.

"The information that I received," said Capt. McGregor, "was that the vessel foundered, and went to the bottom in deep water from where it will be impossible to rescue her."

Another report said that the *Delhi* had broken up while on the rocks, and slipped off and foundered.

Capt. McCarthy, of the *Delhi*, is said to be at Wrangell, awaiting the arrival of the next southbound vessel to proceed to Seattle. The chief engineer and others are with him.

GOTHAM OFFICIAL THINKS BASEBALL STOCK VALUABLE

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Comptroller Davis, of New York, has ordered the appraisal of the estate of John P. Bush, baseball capitalist. In the first appraisal of the stock of the New York National League baseball club was valued at \$257 a share. The comptroller now believes it is worth at least \$700 a share.

MORE AMERICAN BANKS FOR SOUTH AMERICA

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—The National City Bank of New York plans to open at least two more branches in South America, at Rio de Janeiro and Santos, Brazil, although Sao Paulo may be substituted for the latter. The bank also is considering the opening of a branch in Montevideo, Uruguay, under the control of the Buenos Ayres branch.

TO CIRCLE WORLD WITH LONG DISTANCE PHONES

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—J. J. Carly, engineer who opened up transcontinental communication by "phone," says that it will only be a few years before the whole world is encircled by telephone wires and we will be able to communicate with Paris or London without and more effort than when we now talk with San Francisco.

CRAZY MAN PUTS FIDDLE TO PRACTICAL USE

FORT WAYNE, Ind., Feb. 6.—Emory Vocum, in jail for wife desertion, saved the bars while Leonard Benman, an insane man detained for transfer to the state insane asylum, fiddled to drown the noise of the saw. Both men escaped.

RUSSIA HAS WHEAT SURPLUS

PETROGRAD, Feb. 6.—The Russian exportable surplus of wheat is officially estimated at 152,000,000 bushels.

KNEEBONE OPERATED ON.

Killiam Kneebone, the miner who is in St. Ann hospital with a broken back, was operated on today, and this afternoon it was reported that he is resting comfortably.

PRISONER IS FREED BY JUDGE

For the first time since the appeal term of court convened, a suspended sentence was pronounced today in the district court, when Judge Robert W. Jennings ordered the release of Vasil Vaniga, a Roumanian.

Vaniga had pleaded guilty to an indictment charging him with selling liquor to Frank Daniels, an Indian, for \$1.25. The defendant cannot speak a word of English and his plea and his story, were communicated to the court through an interpreter.

Vaniga came to Alaska a year ago, and finally reached Fairbanks. Owing to his inability to converse in English he had great difficulty in getting work. Finally, when in desperate straits, he started to walk over the trail to Valdez. He became ill on the way, from lack of nourishment, and a road house keeper gave him a place to sleep, and board, and paid him a dollar a day. Vaniga worked for twenty-three days, and then walked on to Valdez, from where he purchased a second-class ticket to Juneau. Here he experienced the same trouble in finding employment, and finally Daniels, the Indian, paid Vaniga for chopping wood, and gave the Roumanian a cabin to sleep in. As compensation for his hospitality, the Indian demanded Vaniga buy liquor for him.

Attorney H. L. Faulkner, who appeared for Vaniga, told a story to Judge Jennings of Vaniga's destitute condition, and Special Agents J. A. Snow and H. F. Morton, who were the arresting officers, corroborated him. Judge Jennings ordered the prisoner's release, and the records will show "guilty, but sentence suspended, pending good behavior."

In warning the prisoner against a repetition of his offense, Judge Jennings told Vaniga that if he ever were found guilty in court, on a similar charge, he would be sent to a penitentiary, which, he said, to impress the prisoner of the seriousness of crime, "is as bad as banishment to Siberia."

Vaniga took the statement literally and told the court he would not sell liquor to an Indian "even if the Indian gave me \$10 for a flask." Mr. Faulkner made an effort this afternoon to secure work for Vaniga on an outgoing steamer, for his passage to Tacoma, where he has countrymen.

Carlson Also Let Go.

Oscar Carlson walked from the United States jail this afternoon, a free man. Judge Jennings having suspended sentence on the prisoner, who was convicted of having sold liquor to Jake Williams, an Indian.

Carlson had said that he thought Williams was in Italian, and the jury recommended the mercy of the court in its verdict. Today the defendant told the court he thought a scheme had been worked on him, by the Indian and the marshal, but the court pointed out the absurdity of such a charge, and in view of the fact that the defendant has already spent two months in jail, he was allowed to go.

When Carlson left the jail, the prisoners wished him luck, and reminded him that with one less mouth to feed there would be "more mescaloni for the rest of us today."

BELLIGERENTS STILL BUYING MATERIAL FOR THE WAR

CHICAGO, Feb. 6.—The Serbian government has placed an order for seven locomotives with the American Locomotive Works, and the Canadian government has awarded a contract to the Kelly-Springfield Motor Truck Company of Detroit, for auto trucks costing in the neighborhood of \$1,000,000.

Buy Gun Cotton.

WARREN, Pa., Feb. 6.—The Warren Chemical Company has begun day and night work on a \$500,000 contract to supply gun cotton to England and Russia.

More Rubber For U. S.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Arrangements have been perfected in London for a second shipment of 1,000 tons of rubber, to go forward this week to the British consul in New York. The consular will apportion the rubber among the manufacturers who sign a guarantee that the product manufactured from the shipment will not be exported to Germany or Austria.

FOREIGN LEGATIONS IN FLIGHT

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Advices received today by the State Department say that all foreign legations are hastily abandoning Mexico City, owing to the chaotic conditions which are reported to be prevailing in the Mexican capital.

It is believed in Washington that the envoys in Mexico City will go to Vera Cruz.

WIRELESS "TIP" PREVENTS DYNAMITING OF VESSEL

PARIS, Feb. 6.—It was learned here today that a plot to blow up the French steamship *La Champagne*, while she was bound from Mexico ports to Corunna, Spain, was frustrated only by a wireless warning flashed to the vessel after she had left Vera Cruz.

A German, who shipped on the *La Champagne* as a seaman, was arrested as a result of the warning, and when searched was found to have five bombs in his possession. The *La Champagne* arrived at Corunna last evening.

TOWA TO VOTE ON WOMAN SUFFRAGE

DES MOINES IOWA, Feb. 6.—It is rumored as absolutely certain that the Iowa Legislature will provide for an election upon a woman suffrage amendment to the constitution.

In Texas Also.

AUSTIN, Tex., Feb. 6.—The equal suffrage bill has been reported favorably in the Texas Legislature.

REDFIELD SAYS NOW AMERICA'S OPPORTUNITY

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Feb. 6.—Sounding the keynote at a "dinner of optimism," Secretary William C. Redfield of the Department of Commerce predicted that if the opportunities presented by the European war for the commercial expansion of the United States are seized the current of international trade will be turned permanently in our favor.

"Never before has the opportunity been so great," Mr. Redfield declared. "We have to sell that which all Nations want and to loan that which all Nations need. America is the only place where they can go, and if the opportunity is seized we may, in whole or in part, occupy for the taking the position of influence and power which others have hitherto had."

SENATOR ALDRICH'S TAXES DOUBLED BY ASSESSORS

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Feb. 6.—Former United States Senator Nelson W. Aldrich's tax bill was increased from \$22,240 to \$1,615,000 by the Warwick, R. I., assessors.

DIVIDEND AND INTEREST PAYMENTS SHOW INCREASE

CHICAGO, Feb. 6.—February dividend and interest disbursements are estimated at \$107,864,872, as compared to \$102,528,964 in February, 1914, showing a gain for the first time in many months.

RAILROAD SECURITIES ARE AGAIN IN DEMAND

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—A demand for railroad securities was evidenced at the time the Pennsylvania Railroad Company sold at Kuhn, Loeb & Company, \$49,000,000 of its consolidated first mortgage 4-1/2 per cent gold bond issues.

DRYS WOULD DIVIDE STATE OF TEXAS

AUSTIN, Feb. 6.—The prohibition state of Jefferson will be created out of the western half of Texas if a joint resolution introduced in the legislature passes and is favored by a majority vote at an election to be held July 1. The resolution charges that the legislature of Texas is dominated by the liquor interests and that the 1,000,000 people in proposed new state of Jefferson have not received fair treatment. El Paso is the only city in Western Texas.

U.S. SHIPS NOT TO BE CAPTURED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—Germany's proclamation declaring the waters surrounding England and the Irish channel as a war zone, is regarded here as one of the most serious developments of the war.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Count von Bernstorff, German Ambassador to the United States, authorized a statement issued at the German embassy late this afternoon, that no American vessel would be seized by the Germans, should vessels of this country be sighted within the war zone as proclaimed at Berlin.

President Woodrow Wilson and the members of his Cabinet conferred this afternoon on the proclamation issued by the German government at Berlin designating as a war zone the entire coast of the British Isles. The proclamation is construed as a move to block the English coast to the vessels of other nations.

WAR ZONE PROCLAMATION WILL ADD TO FOOD COST

LONDON, Feb. 6.—The increase in the rate of war risk insurance on foodstuffs and other freight bound for the United Kingdom indicate that the German "war zone" proclamation will add to the cost of living in Great Britain.

RICHMOND DISCOUNT RATE IS FIXED AT LOW FIGURE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—The rediscount rate for the Federal Reserve bank at Richmond, Va., following that at San Francisco, has been reduced to 4-1/2 per cent.

EARTHQUAKE VISITS PARTS OF SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

HARRISBURG, Ill., Feb. 6.—The southern section of the State of Illinois was visited by an earthquake yesterday which continued for four minutes. The vibrations were so slight to cause serious damage.

FARMERS FORCED TO FIGHT ELEVATOR TRUST

CHICAGO, Feb. 6.—The government anti-trust suit against the Chicago Board of Trade took an entirely new turn when Edward G. Dunne, of Madison City, Iowa, Democratic candidate for the governorship of Iowa in 1912, told Federal Judge Landis that farmers had been forced to organize to protest themselves from the elevator owners.

Mr. Dunne's testimony is expected to precipitate a federal investigation of the elevator owners that will overshadow the present suit to abolish the old call committee.

WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY TO SELL WHEAT LANDS

SEATTLE, Feb. 6.—The Regents of the University of Washington have arranged to take advantage of the rise in the value of wheat lands to offer for sale 28,000 acres of such lands that are owned by the university. The lands are mostly located in Douglas and Grant counties, and the university has received only a nominal income from them as rentals for grazing purposes. It is now proposed to sell them and invest the proceeds of the sale in income producing securities.

MORE MASSACHUSETTS MILLS RESUME FULL TIME

BOSTON, Mass., Feb. 6.—Notices announcing the restoration of a full-time working schedule have been posted in the seven cotton mills of the Fall River iron works Company. The mills have been operating four days a week for more than the past three months. The plant employs 7,000 operators.

NEW CABINET FOR REPUBLIC OF PORTUGAL

LISBON, Feb. 6.—A new Portuguese cabinet has been formed, with Gen. De Castro holding portfolios of war and foreign affairs. It will attempt to pacify the conflicting political elements.

The Rev. J. H. Condit leaves tonight for Halifax.

LONDON LOOKS FOR ITALY'S AID

LONDON, Feb. 6.—That Italy, Greece and Roumania and possibly Bulgaria will enter the war on the side of the Allies soon is confidently believed by those familiar with the situation here. The attitude of Bulgaria, it is said, is the only doubtful point in the matter. It is believed, however, that if that country does not actually participate in the war in behalf of the Allies that it will remain strictly neutral.

It is said that the only thing that is delaying the entrance of the Balkan countries and Italy and Greece into the war has been the negotiations that have been in progress to define the interest of each in the conflict in advance. In these Great Britain, Russia, and France have been assisting.

If the little countries of the Southeast and Italy can agree and secure the promise of the Triple Entente to enforce the agreement at the end of the war, it is believed they will immediately declare war on Germany, Austria, and Turkey. All of them are prepared for entrance, and all of them have expended vast sums, mostly provided in London and Paris, in the preparation.

GERMANY EXPECTS ITALY TO REMAIN NEUTRAL

BERLIN, Feb. 6.—Official denial of reports in the Swiss and English press that Germany has protested against the concentration of Italian troops on the Austrian frontier. The opinion of German officials is that Italy has no intention of entering the war. Reports of a German ultimatum to Roumania also are denied.

ROUMANIA MAY DECLARE HERSELF VERY SOON

BUCHAREST, Feb. 6.—The Roumanian Parliament has reassembled. Reports were circulated that Premier would make an important announcement on the position of Roumania regarding the war, and possibly submit recommendation of the Cabinet that the Nation ally itself against Germany and Austria.

England Helps Roumanian Bank. LONDON, Feb. 6.—The Bank of England will advance \$25,000,000 to the Bank of Roumania against Roumanian treasury bills. It is understood that the money will be used for the purchase of war materials.

LONDON OPPOSES JOINT WAR LOAN BY ALLIES

LONDON, Feb. 6.—Financial London is inclined to look upon the reported scheme for a vast international war loan guaranteed by the allied governments and issued in the belligerent capitals and in some neutral countries as highly impracticable.

RUSSIA TO TRY GERMAN BOMB DROPPERS

PETROGRAD, Feb. 6.—The Novoe Vremya states that in order to establish the legal status of bomb-dropping, Russia will place on trial the Germans who were captured in the Zepplin which recently attacked Libau. They will be charged with dropping bombs on an undefended town.

ANTIPODES TO SEND 10,000 MORE SOLDIERS

MELBOURNE, Feb. 6.—The Australian government's formal tender of 10,000 more men, was delivered to the British government today. It is believed the offer of the contingent will be accepted at once.

EMDEN SAILORS ARE ON ARABIAN COAST

BERLIN, Feb. 6.—It is officially announced that a part of the crew of the cruiser *Emden*, which was beached on Coos Island after her defeat by the Australian cruiser *Sydney*, have reached the Turkish Arabian coast. They escaped from Coos Island on a schooner.

Senator P. A. Aldrich of Nome returned today on the Georgia from a visit to Sitka, where he was the guest of Representative A. G. Shoup, superintendent of the Pioneer's Home.

GERMANS LUNGE AT WARSAW

LONDON, Feb. 6.—Gen. Von Hindenburg is continuing his costly lunge in a terrific effort to break through the Russian lines upon Warsaw.

At the same time the reports from Petrograd say that the Russians farther north have crossed Bura, and are seriously threatening the Germans with an outflanking movement.

The loss of life already has been the greatest of any battle in the history of the world.

The issue is still undecided, but for the Russians it is hopeful.

GERMANS COME LIKE WAVES OF SEA.

PETROGRAD, Feb. 6.—The German desperate attempt to break through the Russian line at Borjimon, west of Warsaw, has carried with it the most vicious attacks since the attack on Lodz. They have 105,000 men in action, and more coming from behind. They have 600 guns in action.

With 30,000 men to the mile, advancing in ten and twelve lines like waves of sea, with a reckless disregard of death, the Germans have swept down upon the Russian who are equally as strong in numbers as the Germans.

The Russians had taken their position on a flat plain. The trees and houses had all been demolished by previous engagements.

The Russians met the German advance with rifle fire and bayonet. The fighting has been close, and often hand to hand with whole companies being exterminated in the twinkling of an eye.

The battle is likened to that at Borodino, when Napoleon lost his Russian campaign.

The battle has been waged with unabated violence for two days.

RUSSIA DOMINATES GALICIAN SITUATION

PETROGRAD, Feb. 6.—Great masses of Russian troops are being poured into Bukovina to overwhelm the Austrian army concentrated on the Hungarian-Bukovina frontier. Staff headquarters have been established at Czernowiz, the capital of Bukovina. About 250,000 men have been concentrated in Southern Bukovina.

Early in the war the Russian general staff underestimated the strategic value of Bukovina and of the Kiriaba and Borgo passes. This error permitted a great flank movement by the Austrian army that carried it to the northern part of Bukovina and for a time threatened the rear of the Russian forces advancing west through Galicia.

For a month the Russian armies in Galicia were in a serious predicament. Though well on the way to Cracow, they were obliged to fall back on the river San. They abandoned the passes through the Carpathians, and concentrated near Lemberg, anticipating an attack from two sides.

Fortunately severe weather prevented the Austrians from reinforcing the advancing army in Bukovina, and when the situation had become favorable for operations again, the Russians had managed to make their positions secure. Then began an advance in Bukovina that has since been uninterrupted. The Russians now hold the entire Jacobeni district.

DEFEATED TURKS ARE IN SAD STRAITS

TIFLIS, (via Petrograd), Feb. 6.—Russian officials assert that the Turks defeated in the Caucasus are being reduced to terrible straits. In the attempts to escape capture they are freezing or starving in the mountain regions. Despite their sufferings, they are still fighting desperately.

The Ottoman leaders are enlisting local tribesmen who are well armed and acquainted with every foot of the country. In the Trans-Tachorsk region every Turkish village has been turned into a miniature fort. Guns are mounted before stone huts and these little strongholds fortified in every way possible. To increase their depleted ranks the Turks have enrolled prisoners held in the jails at Trebizond, and Erzurum.