

PRESIDENT WILSON BREAKS WITH LANSING; SECRETARY OF STATE RESIGNS HIS OFFICE UNDER FIRE OF HIS CHIEF'S CRITICISM

Chief Executive Accuses Head of State Department of Usurping the Powers of the President by Calling Meetings of the Cabinet During Mr. Wilson's Illness—This Mr. Lansing Deries but Adds that He Called the Cabinet Conferences; that They were "Proper and Necessary" Because of the President's Illness and that He Would Have Been Derelict in His Duty if He Had Failed to Act as He Did.

Washington, Feb. 28.—Robert Lansing ended his career as secretary of State today after President Wilson had ordered him to resign. Mr. Lansing had been accused of usurping the powers of the president by calling meetings of the cabinet during Mr. Wilson's illness. Mr. Lansing denied that he had sought to usurp presidential authority. He added, however, that he believed that the cabinet conferences were necessary for the best interests of the republic; that they were proper and necessary because of the president's condition and that he would have been derelict in his duty if he had failed to act as he did.

THREE ON FIRE ASSOCIATION

Car of St. Johnsbury, Vt., of Salisbury and Kelly of Montpelier. Clement Appointees

INTER-CHURCH WORLD HEAD

Rev. George E. Price of Rutland Appointed to Stewardship—Topic Calendar for Pre-Easter Period

W. F. SCOTT WEDS

State Treasurer Marries Mrs. Lucretia C. Ballard at Brandon

HOOD & SONS HAVE \$5,000,000 CAPITAL

Montpelier, Feb. 28.—H. P. Hood & Sons, Inc., of Boston, have filed articles of registration in Vermont. They have a capital stock of \$5,000,000, while their assets are \$8,225,000. They were registered under the Maine laws, but now propose to register under the Massachusetts laws.

SMITH COLLEGE DRIVE

St. Albans, Feb. 28.—Mrs. Marshall B. Cummings of Burlington, the Vermont chairman of the Smith College drive for \$2,000,000, was the guest Saturday of Mrs. Howell M. Austin, an alumna of the college, who entertained at luncheon six graduates of the college. Ways and means for raising Vermont's quota were discussed. There are in Franklin county six graduates of the college.

CLOSE MIDDLEBURY SCHOOLS

Middlebury, Feb. 28.—Dr. Edmunds, district health officer, has ordered the schools of the village closed during the week as a precautionary measure. There is a very large amount of sickness in the village, although no cases have been pronounced as influenza.

WANTED TO RESIGN WHEN IN PARIS

Lansing Felt It Keenly That President Deprived Him of Authority There

Washington, Feb. 28.—The correspondence between the president and Mr. Lansing which resulted in Mr. Lansing's resignation was made public to-night at the State department. An hour after Undersecretary Polk had conferred at the White House with Secretary Tamm.

PARO CHARGED WITH VIOLATING HIS PAROLE

St. Albans, Feb. 28.—On order of Judge N. N. Post of the city court, Tom Paro was arrested last night by Chief of Police J. E. Mahoney at Paro's home on Pine street, charged with violating the terms of his parole from the State's prison sentence imposed some time ago for larceny from C. J. Trudeau's storehouse.

W. H. BREWSTER, WELL KNOWN MASON, DIES

Middlebury, Feb. 28.—William H. Brewster, past grand commander of the Grand Lodge of the King's Tenthers, died to-night at his home on Washington street after an illness of a few days. He was widely known in Masonic circles, having attended meetings in all parts of the country.

WAR CABLE MESSAGES COST \$1,024,281

Washington, Feb. 28.—From June, 1917, through January, 1920, 57 days, the war department cable messages reached a total of 6,292,222 words, which cost \$1,024,281. The average daily number of words sent and received was 14,442. The average cost was more than a thousand dollars a day.

THIRD OF MEN OF DRAFT AGE IN AGRICULTURE

Washington, Feb. 28.—Figures compiled by the statistic branch, general staff, indicate that substantially one-third of the men of draft age in the United States are engaged in agriculture and allied occupations, and another third in the manufacturing and mechanical industries. This percentage does not hold good in some States.

CLEMENT APPOINTS TWG JUSTICES OF THE PEACE

Montpelier, Feb. 28.—Gov. P. W. Clement has appointed a justice of the peace in Highgate, E. M. Humphrey in place of C. B. Parker, resigned, and Frank B. Brown in Alburg in place of Louis B. Martell, deceased.

WILL ASK FOR SERVICE MEN FOR HANLEY TRIAL

Will Be on the Basis of \$50 for Each Month Served, Franklin D'Olier, American Legion Commander, Announces

SAYS IT'S SIMPLE JUSTICE

Computation from Which the Adjustment Is Derived Is Based on Savings Deposits During War Compared With Those of Pre-War Period

Washington, Feb. 28.—The American Legion will proceed "actively and aggressively" with action to secure legislation for adjustment of war service compensation on the basis of \$50 for each month served, Franklin D'Olier, national commander of the legion announced today. The national legislative committee was instructed to take up with members of Congress legislation already proposed for this purpose.

HALE GETS \$10,000 BAIL

Middlesex Man Pleads Not Guilty to Murder of H. Lester

Montpelier, Feb. 28.—George M. Hale of Middlesex, who was indicted last week by the grand jury in Washington county on the charge of murdering H. Lester Monday, Feb. 22, was released to-night on \$10,000 bail.

TO ERECT WAREHOUSE

Burlington Grocery Co. Said to Plan Extension at St. Albans

St. Albans, Feb. 28.—S. C. Blodgett of the Burlington Grocery company was in this city today looking over the company's property on Catherine and Market streets with a view to making arrangements for the disposition of one or two of the old buildings owned by the company. It is understood that a substantial wholesale warehouse and storage building will be erected during the coming spring or summer.

PLEADS GUILTY TO BREAK

Montpelier, Feb. 28.—Louis Shambo was brought before Judge Harvey to-night and entered a plea of guilty to the charge of breaking and entering the office of the Tenny company. He was sentenced to the Industrial school at Vergennes until 21 years of age. He also was fined \$20, which he is to pay at the rate of \$2 a week.

CRUSHED IN ELEVATOR

Rutland, Feb. 28.—John Vait, also known as John Bosley, a bell boy employed at the Hotel Radwell in this city, was crushed to death by an elevator in the hotel building at Rutland to-night.

EAS PAID UP \$16,000 OF ITS \$50,000 CAPITAL

Montpelier, Feb. 28.—The Bradford oil company of Springfield has filed with the secretary of State a statement showing that it has paid up \$16,000 of its \$50,000 capital.

STATE COURT READY FOR HANLEY TRIAL

Embezzlement Case to Come Up at Next Term of Washington Co. Court

Montpelier, Feb. 28.—The case of State vs. Dewey T. Hanley charged with embezzlement of funds from the State of Vermont will not be tried this term of court here. It was arraigned today.

1,000,000 FOREIGN-BORN LABORERS LEAVE U. S.

Independence Granted European Countries Draws Aliens Home

New York, Feb. 28.—(By the Associated Press.)—Nearly 1,000,000 foreign-born laborers have left the United States for Europe since the armistice was signed and 1,000,000 more will depart as soon as passport regulations are made less strict, according to a statement issued here to-night by the Federal Council which General Coleman du Pont is chairman.

SNOW STORIES

Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 28.—A cold wave this morning with heavy snow turned to rain in the afternoon. Buffalo, which to-night is stated by the weather office to be the worst that ever afflicted this end of the State.

NO SENTENCE IMPOSED IN GRAHAM CASE

Little Falls, N. Y., Feb. 28.—The county blizzard of the year is raging tonight through the Adirondack valley. Country roads are blocked with snow drifts, preventing delivery of milk to stations for shipment to New York. Trolley service is badly crippled and only perishable freight is being moved on the steam roads.

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