

ATTEMPT AGAINST LIFE OF EX-KAISER WAS MADE IN HIS HOME AT DOORN

Under Guise of Being a Belgian, a German Is Said to Have Gained Access to the Grounds and to Have Attacked the Former Ruler.

EX-KAISER REPORT-ED NOT TO HAVE BEEN INJURED

William's Private Secretary Denies That an Attack Was Made on the Ex-Kaiser, but There Are Persistent Reports in Dutch Circles.

Doorn, Holland, June 19.—An attempt against the life of former Emperor William of Germany was made at 5 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, according to persistent rumors here.

Details of the reported attempt to assassinate the former emperor are veiled in mystery, but it is now asserted that William escaped without injury.

A villager, at first thought to be a Belgian, but later identified as a German, is said to have entered the castle by the use of a false permit and then tried to kill Count Hohenzollern.

M. Pheboom, private secretary to the former emperor, told the Associated Press this morning that no attack had been made on William of Hohenzollern.

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MANUFACTURERS CAN NOT KEEP PRICES UP

They are Warned That Agreements with Dealers are Illegal.

Washington, D. C., June 19.—Warning that agreements between manufacturers and dealers, which prevent dealers from reducing the selling prices of manufactured articles, are unlawful was sounded to-day by the department of justice as part of its campaign to lower the cost of living.

Indictments recently were obtained against the Colgate company, Attorney General Palmer stated, charging criminal violations of the Sherman act for procuring agreements with dealers to adhere to fixed resale prices.

Absence of formal contracts will not avoid the provisions of the law, according to the attorney general, as in the Colgate agreements in some instances consisted in the exchange of letters or in purely oral conversations.

General reduction in prices is expected by officials of the department as a result of the clear definition of the law as it is pointed out that many merchants have been unable to co-operate in the campaign to lower living costs because of the fixed prices on certain manufactured articles.

THREE DESTROYERS RETURNING.

And Six are Remaining for Duty in Black Sea.

Constantinople, June 18 (By the Associated Press).—The United States destroyers DuPont, Tattnall and Biddle left Constantinople to-day for New York, where it is expected they will arrive in six or seven weeks.

Six American destroyers are remaining for duty in the Black sea and the eastern Mediterranean.

HEADS MARINE CORPS.

Major General John A. Lejeune Succeeds Major General Barnett.

Washington, D. C., June 19.—Appointment of Major General John A. Lejeune as major general commandant of the marine corps to succeed Major General George Barnett, was announced to-day by Secretary Daniels.

U. S. ARMY 213,135.

That Was the Estimated Strength on June 17.

Washington, D. C., June 19.—Estimated strength of the army on June 17 was 213,135 officers and enlisted men, of whom 15,683 held commissioned grades, according to figures made public to-day by the war department.

Three March 1, 1919, when active recruiting began, 219,446 men have been enlisted and of this number 172,301 are still in service.

GRAVE CRISES FACE THE WORLD TO-DAY

Problems More Serious Than Two Years Ago Are to Be Considered at Conference of Boulogne.

London, June 19.—A conference between Premier Lloyd George and Premier Millerand of France has been arranged for this afternoon and Sunday at Hythe, the watering place in Kent at which was the scene of the notable conference between the two prime ministers in May over the German indemnity terms.

The Hythe meeting is preliminary to the conference at Boulogne, France, on Monday, at which not only France and Great Britain, but Italy, Japan, Belgium and Greece will be represented.

From Hythe the premiers will proceed early on Monday for Boulogne.

Great interest is being taken here in the meeting of representatives of the great powers at Boulogne, and there is much speculation here in view of the grave problems demanding solution throughout Europe and the Near East.

The original idea was for a meeting of Premiers Lloyd George and Millerand, but the conference seems to have been expanded to a meeting in which Belgium and Greece will participate.

Newspapers of London, calling attention to the serious issues affecting the relations of the allies with Russia, Turkey, Germany, Hungary and Poland, remark the state of the world is more perilous than it was two years ago, and call for "clear decisions based on singleness of purpose and free from individual self-seeking."

The menace of the Turkish nationalists in Anatolia exceeds for the moment in the view of editors here, other dangers, the situation amounting, according to several estimates, to the outbreak of a new war, Mustafa Kemal Pasha, leader of the nationalists, is said to control Anatolia completely, except for a small area held by the British.

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POLISH ARMY IS IN DANGER

Two Cavalry Regiments Annihilated and 30,000 Taken by Bolsheviks

FALL OF MINSK IS EXPECTED

Large Bodies of Troops May Be Forced to Surrender

Berlin, June 18.—Alarming reports of the military situation on the Polish-bolshevik front are received by the Tageliche Rundschau from Breslau. The Poles have suffered important reverses, it is said, and in some parts of the front large bodies of troops may be forced to surrender.

Among the losses reported to have been suffered by the Poles, the report says, are two regiments of cavalry which were annihilated and 30,000 prisoners taken by the bolsheviks, who also have captured 165 cannon. The fall of Minsk is expected, it is asserted.

The front of Danaburg to Podolsk is crumbling gradually and belief is expressed that Warsaw may be occupied by troops. General Haller's men at Czerstow have been mutilated and expelled some of their officers. Near Kiev, the Poles have withdrawn to the line they occupied on April 20, where the third and seventh army corps are surrounded and may be forced to capitulate. Fugitives from Kiev have arrived at Lemberg, telling of a lack of food and munitions and of wholesale desertions by Polish troops.

Excitement prevails throughout Poland, and the dispatch says and state documents have been sent to Posen.

The Polish minister to Germany told the Associated Press to-day he had received no such reports and that he considered them "incredible."

U. S. NAVAL OFFICERS UNDER COURT ORDER

Commander of the Pacific Fleet Had Threatened to Land Marines at Los Angeles and Take Possession of Supply of Fuel Oil.

Los Angeles, Cal., June 19.—A temporary order restraining Commander John Mel of the Pacific fleet from carrying out an alleged threat to land marines at Los Angeles harbor and forcibly take possession of a supply of fuel oil from the plant of the General Petroleum company, unless the company would agree to sell oil at a price fixed by the navy department, was issued in the United States district court here yesterday.

The order was issued upon the complaint of Oscar Lawler, attorney for the petroleum company, who said: "Commander Mel visited the offices of the General Petroleum company here June 16 and asked if they stood ready to deliver a certain amount of oil at such time as it was needed by the Pacific fleet. He stated that unless delivery was made he stood ready to land marines and take the oil by force."

Mr. Lawler added that before calling on the officials of the company officials of the Pacific fleet sent out a notice announcing they would need a certain amount of oil at certain points at certain dates and that the navy stood ready to pay a tentative price of \$11 a barrel.

He said that he "understood a similar ultimatum was served about two months ago on the Shell Oil company at San Francisco, and that the Shell company, after at first declining to make delivery, reluctantly acceded, rather than have its machinery operated by marines."

BUSINESS SECTION BURNED.

Loss at Riverport, N. S., To-day Was \$300,000.

Halifax, N. S., June 18.—The business section of the town of Riverport, Lunenburg county, was destroyed by fire this morning, with an estimated loss of \$300,000.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Levin and daughter, Rosa, have returned from Albany, N. Y., after attending the wedding of Harry Levin to Miss Charlotte Katsky.

Stockholders of the Nelson Lumber Co. met in the rooms of the Granite Manufacturers' association yesterday afternoon in a special meeting to hear the report of Treasurer Ben A. Eastman. The report was accepted and arrangements were made soon after for providing additional capital. This company was incorporated but a few weeks ago, but has made considerable progress in that time for the production of lumber. Teams have been procured, and a vast amount of new machinery installed in the old mill on the East Barre and Orange Center road in order to convert the building into a modern steam lumber mill. Many men have been set to work in the meantime and have already cut several thousand feet of logs, which are being transferred to the mill as quickly as possible. The Nelson Lumber Co. owns 3,000 acres of timber land in Orange county, and by a recent lumber men it has been stamped as one of the finest quality lumber seen in Vermont.

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IRISH FACTIONS IN HARD FIGHT

And Londonderry, Ireland, Spent Another Night of Terror

SEVERAL MEN HURT DURING THE BATTLE

Small Police Force Powerless and Military Had to Be Called Out

Londonderry, Ireland, June 19.—This city spent another night of terror last night as a result of violent pistol and rifle fighting between nationalists and unionists. There was a two-hour pitched battle at the river side. Comparative quiet was finally restored by the soldiery.

Many of the unionists engaged in the hostilities were ex-soldiers.

She small police force in the city was powerless in the face of the violence of the opposing parties and the facilities immediately had to be called out. The efforts of the troops resulted in the restoration of comparatively tranquil conditions by midnight although firing continued several hours more.

The report received by the authorities during the morning showed that several men had been wounded in the fighting.

During the fray armed parties of both factions controlled large areas in various parts of the city. These parties stopped all pedestrians, whom they searched for arms.

Londonderry was the scene of violent rioting on Saturday night, May 15, unionists and nationalists clashing for hours in parts of the Ulster city. A policeman was killed by the rioters, and many persons were wounded during the fighting. The rioting was renewed on Sunday, and hundreds of troops had to be brought to the scene. It was not until well into the week that the city was fully quieted down. The principal trouble area was between the unionist quarter of Fountain street and the Sinn Fein quarter of Bridge street.

Thursday evening in the Baptist church a service was held, as follows: Music by the choir, and a devotional service by Mrs. Nellie Fellows, solo by Miss Valentine Packard, assisted by Mrs. Fellows on junior work. Mrs. Fellows is one of a committee of five, appointed for that work, in New Hampshire. Miss Brokenshire of Waltham, Mass., third vice-president of the international order, then gave the address of the evening. Miss Brokenshire has had an extended experience and is now engaged by the Massachusetts state branch and devotes her whole time to this work. Her address was very interesting. Rev. W. T. Sparhawk gave a dute solo, and the prayer, scripture reading and benediction were by Rev. F. S. Tolman of the Baptist church.

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Among the special appropriations for benevolence were: \$100 to the tubercular preventorium and \$50 for the purchase of a suitable memorial to be placed in the Swanton public library for the late Mrs. Cross and flowers sent to Mrs. Harwood at Bennington.

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KING'S DAUGHTERS' CONVENTION

Was Held at Randolph This Week—Next Meeting in Swanton.

Randolph, June 19.—The annual state convention of King's Daughters closed here on Friday morning, and the delegates and officers left for their homes the same day. The attendance was not as large as expected by reason of the rain, which fell all day Thursday and Friday, and also a part of Wednesday. Nearly 25 delegates reported who did not come, but the meeting was pleasant and profitable to all present.

The first session of the convention was in the form of a reception given by the local circle to the visitors, held in the Bethany parish house Wednesday evening. The room was decorated with the colors of the order and made beautiful by much work of the members.

At 8 o'clock the people assembled for an evening meeting and greeting the officers a program of interest was given. The first number was the greeting from the circle by Miss A. F. Clarke and this was followed by greetings from the churches by Rev. Fraser Metzger. Miss Lucile Grant sang, "Buy My Strawberries," accompanied by Miss Marcott. An encore was given her, to which she responded with "Down Vauxhall Way." Mrs. C. F. Nourse of Rutland gave the response. Miss Marcott gave a piano solo and also an encore, with which all were well pleased. Greetings from the international, in the form of brief letters from Mrs. Kate Farnsworth, treasurer, and Clara Moorehouse, general secretary, were given. Following this punch and wafers were served by the local circle.

Thursday morning at 9 o'clock the convention assembled in the Bethany church, with Mrs. Martha Clark of Woodstock, president, presiding. The devotional service was led by Mrs. Emma Slayton of Woodstock, after which the announcements of the committee on resolutions were given by Mrs. Burt of Bennington. The informal ballot, business and non-time prayer closed the forenoon session. Thursday afternoon Mrs. E. M. Denney of Montpelier led a memorial service for Mrs. Cross, the deceased president of the order in the state. Miss Grant gave a solo and the minutes, report of nominating committee, resolution committee and credential committee filled the time till the formal ballot. The address of the afternoon was by Mr. Slocum of Burlington, and the announcement of the ballot and business filled the afternoon session.

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BIG MERCHANT UNDER ARREST

Frederick Gimbel of Gimbel Bros. Accused of Profiteering

FIRM HAS BRANCHES IN MANY CITIES

Government Charges That Gimble Profiteered in Clothing

New York, June 19.—Frederick Gimbel, first vice-president of Gimbel Bros. department store with branches in many cities, was arrested to-day by a department of justice agents on a charge of profiteering in clothing. Gimbel is head of the New York store.

J. J. Dowdell, general merchandise manager of the store, and C. D. Slawter, clothing buyer, also were arrested on similar charges. They are charged with making profits in clothing of from 90 to 275 per cent.

The warrants were served by Lester S. Krafer, special assistant to Attorney General Palmer, heading one of the flying squadrons investigating profiteering here.

REPEAL OF WARTIME LAWS NOT SIGNED

But Pres. Wilson Approved the Water-power Development Bill, Which Had Been Football of Congress for Few Years.

Washington, D. C., June 19.—Treasury officials to-day expedited payment of \$85 to Michael Molnar, an employee of the Brooklyn navy yard for a new set of false teeth, which Congress decided he was entitled to as a result of an accident in which he was struck on the head by a heavy board and the other set of teeth demolished.

President Wilson yesterday approved a bill for payment of the claim along with seven other measures passed near the close of the last session on Congress.

Included among measures approved was the water-power development bill which has been shifted to successive sessions of Congress for the past 10 years.

Two joint resolutions, one providing for the repeal of most of the war-time law and another authorizing the president to appoint a commission to negotiate with the Canadian government relative to the embargo on the shipment of wood pulp to the United States were not signed. Another bill which failed to receive approval would have authorized the war department to transfer motor equipment to the department of the Canadian government for road construction and other work.

An act authorizing enlistment of non-English speaking citizens and aliens in the military forces was approved along with five bridge bills.

SUICIDE BY DROWNING.

Frank Whittemore, Eden, Missed by Daughter—Body Found in Stream.

Eden, June 19.—Frank Whittemore of this town committed suicide Wednesday afternoon by drowning himself in the water of the stream near here.

He had been living with his brother up to a short time ago when his daughter, Freda, who has been attending the Boston Conservatory of Music, returned. Last week they went to their old home to live.

Before noon Mr. Whittemore, who had been sitting on the porch, all morning, left and was later missed by his daughter. After searching for some time a party started out and conducted a thorough search. Shortly after Whittemore's crutches were found on the bank of the brook and his body was found down stream a ways.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Mrs. W. E. Humphrey of Hartford has been a guest this week of Mrs. F. T. Cutler, while in the city to attend a convention of the Connecticut Manufacturers' Mutual Indemnity company held yesterday afternoon, it was voted that all granite manufacturers carry insurance in the company purchase a supply of protective eye glasses and sell to the workmen at a price. This action was taken because of the increasing number of eye fatalities occurring in the industry. Several Barre men have lost an eye since January 1 while at their work cutting stone, and all of them except one sustained the loss because their eyes were not protected from flying bits of steel by proper glasses.

William Alexander of Graniteville has gathered together this season a strong group of baseball players, and under the name of Graniteville Athletic club will play this summer. This team is composed of many well-known ball players, Americo Polli and Mike Wood, the sterling Goddard battery of the past season, being included in this lineup. Marshall, the assistant coach of athletes at the seminary, will sell first "Granite" Freeman at second, Bellingier at short, King of the seminary squad at third, Sheridan in left field, Earl Smith in center, and McKendle covering right. The enthusiastic show by the quarry workers and quarry owners as well as everyone in the town about Graniteville and Webster, vills exceeds that of any in the past year, and to-day the manager, Mr. Alexander, already has a reserve of a large sum of money to promote games. James M. Boutwell, president of the Boutwell, Milne & Varnum Co., made a present of \$100 to the organization, and Dr. E. H. Bailey presented another large sum for the erection of bleachers. Thus the Graniteville Athletic club starts the season with sturdy support. Next Tuesday afternoon, shortly after 4 o'clock, this team will battle for honors with the Barre team of this city.

GODDARD'S CLOSING COMMENCEMENT EVENTS

Dinner Held Following the Graduation Exercises and Alumni Elected Officers for the Year.

The Goddard dining hall, prettily decorated in the class colors of the class of 1920, blue and grey, was filled to overflowing with members of the alumni association for the annual dinner yesterday afternoon. Following the dinner an interesting program of music and addresses was given, at which Frank H. Towse, '10, was the principal speaker. Charles H. Wishart, vice-president of the Alumni association, acted as toastmaster.

In his introductory remarks, Mr. Towse drew a comparison between Goddard and the type of private school such as the one in which he teaches in Tarrytown, N. Y., where the aim of the parents is to send their children away from the rest, pointing out how much more wholesome than this are the ideals of Goddard.

His subject was, "An Appeal to Your Imagination," the appeal in this case being that of a somewhat unknown and untalked-of phase of the league of nations, through a statement by Raymond Fossick, who is the only American representative in this permanent, non-political, non-partisan organization he learned of its workings. He described their conferences and the manner in which citizens of many nations made themselves understood to one another. Most of them speak French and German, he said and a few can converse in Dutch or Italian, but when two men who cannot speak in a common tongue wish to convey ideas to one another, each speaks in his own language and a mutual understanding is made the other understand.

The poem, composed and read by Miss Marianne Raymond, '10, was a series of clever parodies for which she felt called upon to apologize successfully to Edgar Allan Poe, Robert Browning, Lord Byron, Milton, Shakespeare, Wordsworth, Tennyson, and to the author of the song, "Old Kentucky Home."

The musical numbers on the program were especially appreciated. The first was a cornet solo by Garibaldi Barberi, accompanied by Miss Mary Barberi. He was called back for an encore, as was Miss Natalie Jamison, who sang later in the afternoon.

Following the regular program, Toastmaster Wishart called for a number of impromptu speeches. He called first on Freda Whittemore, student of the board of trustees of Godd