

U. S. ASKS APOLOGY

STRONG NOTE SENT TO VIENNA AS RESULT OF ATTACK ON SHIP.

CALLED INSULT TO AMERICA

Washington Government Demands Punishment of Submarine Commander and Payment of an Indemnity—Refuses to Accept Excuses.

Washington, June 30.—The state department made public on Wednesday this government's note to Austria-Hungary in the case of the Standard Oil tanker Petrolite. That vessel was attacked by an Austrian submarine December 21, 1915.

The note is the strongest yet delivered to the central powers.

This government, the note says, regards the attack on the Petrolite as a deliberate insult to the American flag and an invasion of American rights.

The demands of the United States are:

- 1—An apology. 2—The commander of the submarine to be punished. 3—That reparation be made for the injuries sustained by the payment of an indemnity.

It is indicated to Austria that she would make immediate and ample amends.

The state department denies every allegation heretofore set up by Austria in defense of the action of her submarine commander.

The Austrian claim that the Petrolite's captain voluntarily gave up supplies taken from the steamer by the submarine commander is flatly contradicted, as are the claims that warning shots were fired across the Petrolite's bow before it was shelled, and that its appearance was such as to justify the submarine commander in mistaking it for a cruiser.

The attack on the Petrolite, a Standard Oil tanker, occurred in the Mediterranean on December 5. A protest sent soon afterward, on preliminary reports from the tanker's captain and crew, brought the Austrian communication to which the new American note replies.

5 AUTOISTS KILLED BY TRAIN

Residents of Wisconsin Lose Lives When Machine Is Struck by Passenger Near Warren, Ill.

Dubuque, Ia., June 30.—Five persons were instantly killed and one fatally injured when an automobile in which they were riding was struck by an Illinois Central east-bound fast passenger train at a crossing one mile west of Warren, Ill., 30 miles east of here on Wednesday.

The dead: Patrick Deery, retired farmer, forty, Darlington, Wis.; Mrs. Patrick Deery, thirty-five; their two children, aged six months and six years; Pete Howe, thirty, Darlington, Wis.

A. D. Capelle, music dealer at Warren, fifty-five years old, was perhaps fatally injured.

The auto was stalled on the tracks when the train rounded a curve. The crash was unavoidable and the occupants of the auto had no chance to escape.

LIEBKNECHT SENT TO JAIL

Socialist Leader in Germany Sentenced to Thirty Months in Prison—Dismissed From Army.

Berlin, via London, June 30.—As a result of a trial on charges of high treason, gross insubordination and resistance to authorities, Karl Liebknecht, the Socialist leader, got 30 months and dismissed from the army.

Doctor Liebknecht, whose criticisms of the government in speeches in the reichstag previously had led to his expulsion from the Socialist party in that body, was arrested on May 1 during the demonstration, and since has been held in custody, the reichstag having on May 11 by a vote of 225 to 111 declined to order his release.

He has been accused not only of taking part in but arranging the demonstration at which, it is alleged, cries of "Down with the war" and "Down with the kaiser" were raised by the excited demonstrators.

HITS CORN PRODUCTS FIRM

Dissolution of Company and Allied Concerns Is Ordered by U. S. Court.

New York, June 27.—Dissolution of the Corn Products Refining company and its allied concerns, as an illegal combination in restraint of trade, was directed by Federal Judge Learned N. Hand in a decision filed on Saturday sustaining the complaint of the government. Under the decree the federal trade commission will arrange the details for the dissolution.

American Marine Is Slain.

Washington, June 30.—One American soldier was killed and another wounded in an engagement reported by Rear Admiral Caperton between United States marines and Santo Domingo rebels.

Iowa Girl Dies in South.

Mobile, Ala., June 30.—Miss Reulah W. Yarger, twenty-six, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Yarger, prominent residents of Burlington, Ia., died here. She had been in Mobile two months for her health.



INDORSE C. E. HUGHES TAKE ALL OF BUKOWINA

PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOLLOWS ROOSEVELT. RUSSIANS HAVE POSSESSION OF ENTIRE PROVINCE.

Colonel Gives Visions in Letter to the Body—Six Members Opposed to Suggestion. Petrograd Officially Announces Capture of Five Towns and 2,000 More Teuton Prisoners.

Chicago, June 28.—After a day of wrangling the Progressive national committee voted on Monday to indorse Charles Evans Hughes for president. Thirty-two members of the committee supported the indorsement resolution offered by James R. Garfield of Ohio. Six voted against it and nine declined to vote.

The action, which was taken in accordance with the wishes of Theodore Roosevelt, as expressed in a letter to the committee, marked the demise of the Progressive party. While the national executive committee was instructed to co-operate in the Hughes campaign it was admitted the full national committee never would have another meeting.

The resolution was finally adopted after seven hours of debate was as follows: "Whereas, The statement issued by this committee in January and the platform adopted by the Progressive national convention set forth that putting aside all partisan considerations in view of existing world and national conditions we would work with any man or party who saw the nation's need and put forth a leader fit to meet it and

"Whereas, We believe with Colonel Roosevelt that in nominating Charles E. Hughes of New York the Republican party has put forth such a leader, we indorse and concur in the recommendation of Colonel Roosevelt that we support Mr. Hughes."

U-BOAT SINKS TWO WARSHIPS

Italian Cruiser and French Destroyer Torpedoed by German Submarine.

Paris, June 27.—The minister of marine announces that the Italian auxiliary cruiser Citta di Messina and the French torpedo-boat destroyer Fouchere have been torpedoed in the Strait of Otranto.

The Citta di Messina, which was being escorted by the Fouchere, was the first victim of the submarine. The Fouchere later attacked the underwater boat, which submerged and disappeared. Shortly afterward the Fouchere itself was torpedoed.

Washington Hears Man Responsible for Mexican Crisis Is Dicker-ing With Carranza.

FLASHES OFF THE WIRE

Vienna, June 27.—The torpedoing of two Italian warships in the Strait of Otranto was announced by the admiralty.

London, June 27.—J. Bruce Ismay, former managing director of the White Star line, has resigned his directorship in the International Mercantile Marine.

Rome, June 27.—Two Austrian transports have been sunk in the harbor of Durazzo by the Italians. The transports were loaded with troops, arms and ammunition.

More Trucks for Funston. San Antonio, Tex., June 30.—War department advices to General Funston included notification that 95 motor trucks had been sent to him. There are already in service 640 motor trucks.

Austrian Airmen Bomb Adria. Vienna, June 30.—Two Austro-Hungarian naval aeroplanes have bombed military works and factories in the Italian city of Adria, the war office announced. Adria is on a railroad 52 miles northeast of Bologna.

Russ Evacuate Turk Town. Constantinople, June 29.—The fortified town of Chilian, which the Russians captured on their offensive drive, has been evacuated as a result of Turkish counter-attacks, the war office announced.

Shell German Ships. Paris, June 29.—Three French aeroplanes, armed with cannon recently provided by the war office, hurled 65 shells on German ships off the coast of Belgium Monday, the war office announced.

OFFICERS' UNIFORMS

MANY NATIONALITIES ASSEMBLED AT CAMP MOREHEAD.

NO NEED OF SPECIAL SESSION

Items of General Interest Gathered from Reliable Sources Around the State House.

Western Newspaper Union News Service.

All guardsmen look alike to the majority of curious sightseers at the mobilization camp. Unless one is familiar with military affairs he is ignorant of the distinctions of rank which are scrupulously maintained of the camp.

A colonel may be known by the silver eagles worn on his shoulder, or collar. A major's insignia is a gold leaf worked in his collar. Two silver bars on the collar or shoulders indicate a captain, one a second lieutenant and a soldier in officer's uniform, but without such bars, is a second lieutenant. The chaplain's insignia is a metal cross.

Commissioned officers, that is, lieutenants and higher, wear leather leggings, which to the uninitiated may distinguish them from non-commissioned officers, corporals and sergeants.

A sergeant wears three stripes on the arm of his uniform, a corporal only two. A small square under the stripe distinguishes a first lieutenant, and a triangle a quartermaster sergeant.

Of course, a soldier is sensitive as to his rank. In regimental organization, the officers rank ascends as follows: Corporal, duty sergeant, quartermaster sergeant, first sergeant, second lieutenant, first lieutenant, captain, major (commanding a battalion of four companies), lieutenant colonel and colonel.

No Need of Special Session.

Governor Morehead has no intention whatever to call a special session of the Nebraska legislature to appropriate more money for mobilization of national guard troops.

Neither has he authorized any unusual measures such as borrowing money to meet the situation. He has not even approved claims for supplies, transportation or any other kind of expense incurred in assembling the guard at Lincoln.

As the governor views it, these are matters for the federal authorities to take care of. The United States government has called the state troops into its own service, and congress has appropriated money for the necessary expense.

Therefore, contractors who furnish supplies, transportation, horses or anything else for the present military undertaking will have to look to the United States for their pay. They will have no trouble in getting it, as the war department expects to bear the expense and is not asking the state to use their funds.

Many Nationalities Represented.

Boys of all nationalities are assembling at Camp Morehead—boys whose parents were born far from Uncle Sam's domain, but who are just as loyal to it as they can be.

In the number are Germans and Englishmen and Frenchmen and Greeks and Swedes and Danes and Irishmen, and all the rest. In the Beatrice company there are forty-two Germans out of seventy men. The Nebraska City company has thirty-five Germans on its rolls and twenty or more Danes. The Ord company contains three or four squads of militant Irish, the Hastings company has a number of ardent English and the Blue Hill company is said to have several boys of French descent upon its list.

Mrs. Knotts is Acting Secretary.

Mrs. Minnie P. Knotts, who for a number of years has served as librarian of the State Historical society, and who since the death of C. S. Paine has been acting secretary will continue in that capacity until next fall. A meeting of the board of directors of the society was held Saturday afternoon but final action delayed until the next meeting of the board, which will be held October 10. Several applicants for the position were considered but with one exception no vote was taken upon the applications.

Bishop George A. Beecher, of Hastings, chaplain of the Fifth regiment, Nebraska national guard, is one of the striking figures on the camp grounds. Clad in his uniform his massive figure looms large when he is seen in company with officers of ordinary size. He is so much over six feet that he appears gigantic. He weighs about 240 pounds. He devoted some of his younger days to athletics and it is understood among his fellow officers of the guard that he may truly be classed as a fighting chaplain, particularly in a boxing match.

The estimated total value of all the property of the University of Nebraska, not including endowment funds and lands, is \$2,700,000, of which \$1,850,000 is lands and buildings and \$850,000 is general movable equipment. The board of regents at their last meeting, directed that a system of control be devised so that the central office would know at all times what the university owns, where every item is and the present value of every item is. A. O. Johnson, the university efficiency expert, has just installed such a system.

QUALIFYING FOR ENLISTMENT.

Physical Examination of the State National Guards.

Physical examination of members of the Nebraska national guard to test their fitness for service in the United States army was held by eighteen surgeons under direction of Captain Gentry of the regular army, from Fort Leavenworth.

As each man passes the physical tests, he is inoculated with anti-typhoid serum. The serum can do no serious harm, but the guardsmen is warned not to indulge in strenuous exercise for several hours after receiving the treatment. Each man is practically half an hour under the ordeal of examination and inoculation.

General Hall, as chief disbursing officer for the federal government, received word that unlimited funds are at his disposal for the preparing and moving of the troops. Majors Arthur Haysel and J. M. Birkner of the state office are to be mustered in to aid him in preparing to move the men.

Acreeage of Crops.

Secretary Mellor, of the state board of agriculture, makes the following partial report on crop acreage for Nebraska this year: The first seven summaries of agricultural statistics received by the state board of agriculture were from Adams, Colfax, Gosper, Madison, Otoe, Polk and Thayer counties. In the four principal crops of each of these counties, said crops consisting of corn, winter wheat, oats and alfalfa, are 1,352,038 acres planted, as against 1,310,979 last year. In these counties the acreage sown to winter wheat is 400,284, as against 431,533 last year. Corn 613,233, against 584,792 in 1915. Oats 219,093, against 205,553 a year ago. Alfalfa 92,423, against 88,201.

Will Assume Active Charge.

Adjutant General Hall, head of the Nebraska state militia, whose command will automatically terminate with the federalizing of the state troops, has been elected captain of Company H, Fifth Nebraska regiment. The company is composed largely of Fairfield men. Henry F. Kramer of Lincoln was elected first lieutenant, Isaac W. Evans of Fairfield, former captain of the company, accepted a second lieutenantancy. General Hall was notified of his election by Colonel Herbert J. Paul. He immediately accepted and will assume active charge of the company as soon as he can be relieved from duty in Nebraska as disbursing officer.

Healthy Condition of State Banks.

A statement issued by Secretary Royle of the state banking board showing the condition of state banks at the close of business May 29, shows that deposits on that date aggregated \$141,557, an increase of \$11,500 in three months. The deposits in state banks when they grew steadily were boasted of, but for a year they have been going up by leaps and bounds. Several months ago Secretary Royle issued a statement calling attention to the fact that bankers in other states were placing funds on deposit in Nebraska state banks because they are able to get a good rate of interest and because of the fact that deposits in Nebraska state banks are protected in considerable measure by a depositors' guaranty fund that now amounts to over \$1,000,000.

Will Wait for Full Regiment.

Progress in work of mustering the Nebraska national guardsmen into federal service indicate that no plans are being laid to send any units south from the Lincoln mobilization camp until a complete regiment is ready which may be several days yet. The fact that extra equipment is being sent to Lincoln for the two regiments indicates that they will not be rushed to the border until they are fully equipped and each man carefully examined for physical defects.

Need an Army of Harvesters.

A new pamphlet setting forth crop conditions and the estimated needs for harvest hands in the different counties of Nebraska has been issued by Labor Commissioner Coffey as an official document of his department. It contains crop statistics of a year ago and acreage for this year, as well as a table showing how many harvest hands will be required in various counties and directions about whom to communicate with for information on getting employment.

The labor commissioner, reinforced by the opinion of Secretary Mellor of the state board of agriculture, announces that on account of cool, wet weather running through the late spring and early summer there will probably be little grain cut in the state before the Fourth of July, or about ten days later than the usual time of harvest.

All the food used so far at Camp Morehead has been partaken of ravenously by the men, and well it might be, according to Major Falconer, for it was the best obtainable on the market.

If the employment of a child under 14 years of age is the proximate cause of injury to such a child, then the employer is liable in damages for the injuries sustained. So rules the Nebraska supreme court in an opinion reversing and remanding the suit of Ora Rookstool, by his next friend, Lillian Sheets, against the Cudahy Packing Co. Young Rookstool, who was 13 years of age, was struck on the head by a descending elevator at the Cudahy packing plant, his scalp torn and his teeth knocked out.

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