

POLK APPOINTED AS COUNSELOR FOR STATE DEPARTMENT

Corporation Counsel of New York City Named to Fill Post Vacated by Lansing. PLACE VACANT SINCE THEN A. Mitchel Palmer and Cone Johnson Had Been Mentioned for Position. OFFICE IS VERY IMPORTANT

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28.—The selection of Frank L. Polk, corporation counsel of New York City, for counselor of the State department was formally announced tonight by Secretary Lansing. The president had tendered the position to Mr. Polk, who has accepted.

Mr. Polk will succeed Mr. Lansing, who became secretary on the resignation by William Jennings Bryan last June. The counselor's office has been vacant since Mr. Lansing took his place in the cabinet and there has been much gossip as to who would fill it. A. Mitchel Palmer of Pennsylvania and Cone Johnson, solicitor of the State department, have been among those most prominently mentioned, although it is known that Mr. Polk's name was suggested by Secretary Lansing early in the discussion.

While John Bassett Moore was counselor he acted for the secretary in all matters in the latter's absence from Washington and the rule continued in effect while Mr. Lansing held the post. Diplomatic callers were referred to the counselor, and when matters of pressing importance were pending, such as the correspondence with Germany over the Lusitania case, the counselor was called into conference at cabinet meetings. While it has not been definitely decided, it is virtually certain that the rule will continue in effect after Mr. Polk takes office.

Two Million Pounds of Powder is Sent to Russia On One Ship

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Aug. 28.—One of the largest shipments of smokeless powder ever sent from the United States will be taken to Russia on the Russian steamship Voronez, which will sail today from Wilmington, Del., for Archangel via Glasgow. This shipment consists of nearly 2,000,000 pounds of the highest grade of this type of powder, and is shipped in cases holding 20 pounds each.

Taft Re-Elected Head of Unitarians

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 28.—The general conference of Unitarian churches, the twenty-sixth annual session of which will end today, elected William Howard Taft, former president of the United States, president of the conference for the ensuing two years.

Other officers were elected as follows: Rev. Walter R. Greenman of Milwaukee, general secretary; Perry A. Atherton, Boston, treasurer. The new council: Rev. Minot Simons, Cleveland, chairman; Rev. John Haynes Holmes, New York; Rev. John Howard Lathrop, Brooklyn; Rev. C. S. Dutton, San Francisco; Rev. Sydney B. Snow, Boston; Charles E. Ware, Fitchburg, Mass.; Mrs. Claude U. Gilson, Wellesley, Mass.; Rev. Richard W. Boynton, Buffalo, N. Y.

THREE GIRLS DROWN IN SACRAMENTO RIVER

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Aug. 28.—Search was being made in the Sacramento river today for the bodies of two of three girls drowned near here last night. The victims were Ella Chambers, aged 16, whose body was recovered, Ethel and Gladys Sanchez, sisters, aged 10 and 12. The girls were wading and slipped into the channel.

The Weather

Forecast till 7 p. m. Sunday: For Omaha, Council Bluffs and Vicinity—Partly cloudy.

Table with columns for Temperature at Omaha Yesterday, and Comparative Local Record with data for 1915 and 1914-1912.

AUSTRIAN CAVALRY PATROL, reconnoitering on the banks of the Weichsel river, which they finally crossed, after overcoming the stubborn Russian defense.



MERCHANTS' WEEK TO BEGIN MONDAY

Hundreds of Dealers from Four States Ready to Come to Omaha with Families.

STYLE SHOW AT AUDITORIUM

Hundreds of merchants from all over four states have already written that they will attend merchants' market week in Omaha, beginning Monday and continuing until September 4.

It has been found that by bringing the merchants all in at one time and making a week of festivity of the event the various wholesalers and manufacturers are able to combine their efforts and their funds to provide some really classy entertainment for them.

Entertainments Planned.

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings have all been prepared for free entertainment of the most lavish sort for the visitors. On Monday evening the visiting merchants will meet at the Commercial club at 7:30, together with their wives and families.

Valuable Style Show.

The style show at the Auditorium on Wednesday evening will be the most pretentious of the entertainments and the one that will be attended by the most people. The fact that the show this year is held at the Auditorium enables it to be witnessed by a great many Omaha merchants and their families.

Sterling Exchange Takes Another Drop

NEW YORK, Aug. 28.—For the third consecutive day, a new low record of appreciation was established today by the sterling pounds sterling. Sterling was no only exchange deal in during the day and offerings were few and light, it was said. Nominal quotations on continental exchange also showed further slight depreciation.

WILSON STANDS IN RAIN TO REVIEW NATIONAL GUARD

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28.—President Wilson stood half an hour in a soaking rain today and reviewed the District of Columbia National Guard, which had just returned from its annual encampment in Virginia. The president wore a heavy overcoat and rode to the review in his automobile.

SIX BEING URGED FOR JUDGESHIP

Attorney General McReynolds Not Likely to Suggest Anyone Over Sixty Years of Age.

MANY LETTERS BEING WRITTEN

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Aug. 28.—(Special Telegram.)—Five well known and very reputable members of the bar of Nebraska are receiving endorsements for the vacancy in the federal district judgeship of that state, made vacant by the death of Judge W. H. Munger, namely, Sylvester Rush of Omaha, Seymour S. Siderer of Fremont, C. J. Smyth of Omaha, W. H. Thompson of Grand Island and James W. Woodruff of Omaha.

These gentlemen are being endorsed daily in letters to the attorney general or through the White House and transmitted through the Department of Justice. Great activity is noticed and when Attorney General Gregory returns from his vacation, which will be in the next week, he will have before him a mass of recommendations bearing upon the Nebraska federal judgeship.

Attorney Woodruff has several large petitions on file, while the others who names have been mentioned are endorsed by individual letters to either the president or the attorney general.

Not seriously considered. It was learned today that the attorney general has not given the vacancy serious consideration by reason of his absence from Washington for the first time since he assumed the duties of the office. "When the attorney general returns," said a representative of the department, "I have no doubt that he will take up the Nebraska vacancy with a view of making a recommendation to the president. Naturally, the attorney general will look at the age of those recommended. It will be the first crucial test in restricting recommendations, for the policy of the administration has been to nominate men for judicial positions under, and not over, 60 years of age.

"Whether that rule applied to the men whose names have been mentioned for the Munger succession will eliminate any of them, I am not advised, but I feel pretty sure that a man over 60 will not be nominated.

Former Attorney General McReynolds commended, and Attorney General Reynolds has followed the policy of looking around for men younger than 60 years of age for ten years' of service and 70 years of age would qualify a judge for retirement when, as a matter of fact, it takes a judge ten years to get into the harness. It takes ten years for a man on the bench to find himself."

During the visit of several Nebraska politicians to the capital this week, one of them suggested that ex-judge Sullivan would be the ideal appointment to the Munger vacancy; that, temperamentally, he was fitted for the place, and that from the lawyer's standpoint, he would bring honor to the position.

GIRL CHOKES TO DEATH WHILE LAUGHING

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Aug. 28.—(Special.)—A pal of laughter caused the death of Della May, the 10-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Wyatt, living on a homestead near Reliance. Accompanied by a couple of companions the girl was visiting a garden and was eating peas from the pod. She was in a very merry mood and during this indulging in a hearty peal of laughter. This caused some of the peas to lodge in the bronchial tube and she choked to death before assistance could be given her.

PERSHING FUNERAL TO BE AT CHEYENNE

General Will Meet Bodies of Wife and Daughters at Oakland Sunday Morning.

ALL PRESIDIO IS IN MOURNING

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 28.—When Brigadier General John J. Pershing, speeding today from Texas, arrives at Oakland Sunday morning he probably will not cross the bay to San Francisco. To spare him the sight of the blackened ruins of his former home at the Presidio, military reservation here, where his wife and three children met death by suffocation early yesterday in the fire that destroyed the building, and the ordeal of receiving general condolences, his friends have arranged to meet him in Oakland, with the bodies in their care to be placed aboard an Overland train for Cheyenne, Wyo., where the interment will take place.

CRAFT WHICH SANK ARABIC MAY BE LOST

London News Hints that Submarine Which Destroyed Liner May Have Since Been Sunk.

LONDON, Aug. 28.—The Daily News, in an editorial today, hazards the suggestion that the submarine which sunk the steamship Arabic has itself since been sunk, and that therefore Germany's disavowal of the action of the underwater boat commander becomes comparatively easy. The editorial continues: "If it is true that Germany is prepared to abandon or suspend the attacks, the United States has won a considerable diplomatic victory.

Four Thousand More Welsh Coal Miners Quit Work

LONDON, Aug. 28.—Although it had been announced that Walter Runciman, president of the Board of Trade, who acted as arbitrator in the recent coal strike, would decline to see a deputation of miners, Mr. Runciman and David Lloyd George, minister of munitions, conferred for half an hour today with the committee representing the men which came to London from Cardiff yesterday.

Red Cross Asserts Famine in Mexico is Growing More Acute

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28.—The international relief committee in Mexico City reported to Red Cross headquarters here today that despite other reports to the contrary, famine in Mexico City daily becomes more acute. It was stated that applications to the committee for food were being made by more than one-fourth of the population of the city.

Sight-Seeing Car Runs Away—Women Are Fatally Hurt

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 28.—Two women were hurt, probably fatally, when a sight-seeing automobile with about fifty persons on board, got beyond control of the chauffeur today, and ran wild down hill into a side street from Van Ness avenue.

GERMANY IS VICTIM OF A WRONG System of Education, Says Mez

OAKLAND, Cal., Aug. 28.—That Germany was the victim of a wrong system of education was the declaration made by John Mez of Munich, Germany, at the closing session here last night of the National Educational association. "Internationalism" was the subject of his address. He said in part: "Those in my country who made war meant it for the world's gain. They did not mean to destroy. They are the victims of a wrong system of education. They have been taught nothing beyond an irrational conception of militarism. 'Everyone who lives in the United States and loves civilization and humanity, should be grateful to the man who has kept America out of the war. "Education in internationalism," he continued, "means educating the old men first to change the idea that collective homicide is the proper thing.

VON BESELER APPOINTED GOVERNOR OF POLAND

AMSTERDAM (via London), Aug. 28.—Word was received here today from Berlin that General von Beseler, conqueror of Antwerp and Novogorodsk, had been appointed general of the entire occupied Russian territory. This announcement is credited to the Poser Tageblatt.

PREPARE TO DIG THEMSELVES IN

M. Sazonoff Says There Can Be No Peace While Single German Is On Russian Soil.

MORE WELSH MINERS QUIT

LONDON, Aug. 28.—As the Russian armies continue to retreat the foreign and war ministries at Petrograd deny vigorously that their government has any thought of making a separate peace with the central powers. Special dispatches from Petrograd state that the Russians are on the point of digging themselves in.

Military writers at the Russian capital are of the opinion that the German turning movement in Courland is not likely to threaten Petrograd seriously this autumn, as Field Marshal Von Hindenburg apparently has made no progress in his efforts to secure control of the Baltic coast. The latest news from that region, however, indicates that Germany has not given up the plan for naval co-operation toward this end. Berlin reports that German warships bombarded, at two points, Dago Island, which commands the entrance to the gulf of Finland.

The Russian minister, M. Sazonoff, declares emphatically that there is no disagreement among the allied commanders and that while a German soldier remains on Russian soil there can be no peace. The greatest interest is displayed here in reports from Washington of the negotiations between the United States and Germany concerning the Arabic incident. Most of the newspapers consider that President Wilson has won a diplomatic success, the effect of which on the whole question of submarine warfare is certain to be momentous.

French Official Report

PARIS, Aug. 28.—The French war office this afternoon gave out a statement on the progress of hostilities, which reads as follows: "Last night saw some artillery engagements around Souchez and Neuville, as well as in the vicinity of Roye. "There was also fighting with bombs on the plateau of Quenneviers and the plateau of Nouvion. "In the Argonne our artillery on several occasions checked the endeavors of the enemy to bombard our trenches. "French aviators during the night bombarded the railroad station at Chattelaine-Argonne."

Kaiser Apologizes to Holland for Air Trip Above Its Soil

BERLIN, Aug. 28.—(By Wireless to Sayville.) The Overseas News Agency today gave out the following: "The German government has informed the Dutch government that on August 22, a German airship, driven from its course by contrary winds, flew over Dutch territory. As soon as the commander noticed that he was on the wrong course he changed the direction of the airship. Strict instructions have been given to commanders to avoid flying over neutral territory.

Denies Loss of Submarine

BERLIN, Aug. 28.—(Via London.)—The admiralty today made denial of the official British statement that a German submarine had been sunk this week by (Continued on Page Two, Column Two.)

SUBMARINE FIRES ON NORWEGIAN SHIP

NEW YORK, Aug. 28.—Officers and crew of the Norwegian steamer Capto, which reached here today from Cardiff, said that the vessel was fired upon without warning by a German submarine August 25 in the English channel. "Two shots were fired. It was said. The Norwegian flag was then displayed and the submarine disappeared.

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ONLY BOMB FIGHTING and artillery engagements on the front in France are reported by Paris. Another railroad station behind the German lines has been bombarded. THERE HAS BEEN LITTLE if any change in the situation on the Gallipoli peninsula in the Dardanelles, so far as the latest Turkish official report indicates.

TEUTONS STRIKE AN UNEXPECTED BLOW IN GALICIA

While England is Rejoicing Russia Are Digging Selves in, Germans Break Slav Line in New Place.

NO SYMPTOMS OF A CHECK

Slav Front on Zlota Lipa River Gives Way Before Sweep of Enemy.

TOWN OF NAREW IS OCCUPIED

BERLIN, Aug. 28.—(Via London.)—Teutonic pressure against the Russians in east Galicia has resulted in the piercing of the Russian lines along the Zlota Lipa river, it was officially announced today by German army headquarters. It was also announced that the town of Narew, about twenty miles southeast of Bialystok, had been occupied by the Germans.

The text of the statement follows: "French hand grenade attack on Langenkopf, north of Muenster, was repulsed on a great part of the front. "There has been much activity by artillery and armies. Enemy aviators bombarded Ostend, Middelkerke and Bruges without success. In Muehlen, in Baden, three civilians were killed by bombs dropped by aviators. "Eastern theater of war: Army group of Field Marshal General Von Hindenburg. The enemy has been defeated in battles north of Haink and Schoenberg. More than 2,000 Russians were taken prisoners and two cannon and nine machine guns were captured.

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The Day's War News

AUSTRO-GERMANS apparently have begun successfully a new effort to drive the Russians out of the small part of eastern Galicia remaining to them.

IN THE EASTWARD DRIVE of General Von Eickhorst's troops, the town of Narew, about twenty miles east of the Bialystok-Belek line, has been occupied.

GERMAN CAVALRY is active on the Russian flank southeast of Brest-Litovsk, where a success of this branch of the army in pursuit of the Russians is reported.

ATTEMPTED GERMAN air raid on Paris was frustrated by a French air flotilla, dispatches from Paris state. One machine of the four in the German raiding force was brought down by bullets and it FURTHER EVIDENCE of increasing Austrian activity on the southern front is furnished by an announcement of the reopening of hostilities between the Austrians and the Montenegrins. The latter claim a repulse of Austrian detachments in a short engagement near the mouth of the Gulf of Cattaro.

GERMAN ADMIRALTY denies a British aviator destroyed and sank a German submarine off Ostend, as claimed by the British admiralty. The submarine, although attacked, was not hit and returned to port undamaged, it is declared.

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