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ST. LOUIS IS WINNER

MISSOURI CITY EASILY LANDS NEXT DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

DATE FIXED FOR JUNE 14, '16

Committees Adopt Resolution Calling for Renomination and Re-election of Wilson—\$100,000 Put Up for Privilege of Entertaining Delegates.

Western Newspaper Union News Service.

Washington, D. C.—The Democratic national convention of 1916 will be held at St. Louis, beginning Wednesday, June 14, at noon. The Democratic national committee named the convention city and adopted resolutions calling for the renomination and re-election of Woodrow Wilson as "the trusted leader of national democracy."

Chicago and Dallas contested with St. Louis for the honor of the convention, but St. Louis easily led from the start and won on the second ballot. When the trend of voting was seen, Texas moved that the choice of St. Louis be made unanimous. Dallas held second place on the first ballot, but was displaced by Chicago on the second roll call.

Each of the three cities contesting for the Democratic convention put in a bid of \$100,000. St. Louis has placed in the hands of the chairman New York drafts for that amount.

TERROR SINKS OIL TANK.

Standard Tanker Is Sent Down in the Mediterranean.

Washington, D. C.—Word that the American Standard oil tank steamer Petrolite was shelled in the eastern Mediterranean by a large submarine flying the Austrian flag came to the navy department in a cablegram from the cruiser Des Moines at Canoa, Isle of Crete. One man on the tanker was slightly injured. This information was turned over to the state department, where it was thought no action would be taken pending the receipt of further details.

About to Attack Britain.

London.—Important battles have begun or are impending in Mesopotamia, where the German field marshal, Baron von der Goltz, has taken command of the Turkish forces and is about to attack the British at Kut-el-Amara in southeastern Serbia, where the Bulgarians have already attacked the Anglo-French positions and have been repulsed; on Gallipoli, where, according to Turkish accounts, the allies have taken the offensive, and in Belgium and France, where reports from Holland state, the Germans have concentrated strong reinforcements and an immense amount of artillery with the object of striking a blow at the allied line in Flanders and Artois.

Debate Votes for Women.

Washington.—Women suffragists and antisuffragists in stirring speeches debated the question of votes for women for an hour December 7 before the national Democratic committee. The committee held public session in a hotel ball room to hear the women, and the place was packed to the doors. Six suffrage leaders told the committee that the women of the nation were looking to the Democratic party to champion a federal suffrage amendment, either in the present congress or in the platform of the next Democratic national convention.

U. S. Reiterates Demand.

Washington.—Secretary Lansing has communicated to Germany through Count Bernstorff, the German ambassador, the reasons which caused the United States government to request the immediate withdrawal of Capt. Boy-Ed and Capt. Franz von Papen, respectively naval and military attaches of the embassy here. In the communication, which is believed to have reached the Berlin foreign office, Mr. Lansing is understood to have stated that the naval and military activities of the attaches constituted their principal offenses.

British Comment on Message.

London.—The Times regards the message as "by force of events a war message from beginning to end," and says: "The president has striven and is still striving hard with the full approval of the masses of the people to cling fast to life, on political isolation founded on geographical detachment, which has largely lost its meaning."

Earthquake in Mississippi Valley.

Caño, Ill.—A severe earthquake which was felt along both sides of the Mississippi river for a distance of 200 miles, and east as far as Paducah, Ky., was recorded here at 12:45 p. m., December 7. The tremor here lasted 15 to 20 seconds.

Ex-Priest Desires to Die.

New York.—From his cell in the Sing Sing deathhouse Hans Schmidt, the unfrocked priest convicted of murdering Anna Amstutz in New York in 1913, declared through his attorney, that he wants no further efforts made to save him from the electric chair. He is sentenced to die January 10.

London.—The minister of education David Lloyd George, announced that there are now 200,000 unemployed in the manufacturing districts.

PEACE SHIP ON WAY

HUGE CROWD CHEERS AS STEAMER OSCAR II STARTS FOR EUROPE.

FORD HOPES TO END WAR

Detroit Manufacturer Asserts That He Hasn't Decided on Plan—Bryan and Others at Dock to Bid Good-By—Wedding on Board Vessel.

New York, Dec. 7.—The good ship Oscar II, with Henry Ford's peace pilgrims aboard, set sail for blood-stained Europe on Saturday. Cheers and tears flooded Hoboken's water front. William Jennings Bryan stood on the end of the thronged dock waving a red rose and murmuring: "God bless you."

Beside Bryan stood Thomas A. Edison and Mrs. Ford and her son, Edsel. Behind these stood 10,000 howling men and women.

Two bands were playing, "I Didn't Raise My Boy to Be a Soldier." A thousand flags were waving from the crowded decks of the Oscar. The mobs on the pier were singing, howling, whistling and crying. Some were hysterical; others were simply leaping up and down emitting roars of "Peace, peace, peace, peace."

An intoxicated young man with a German accent shouted: "Got Strafe Heinrich Ford."

"Good-by, God bless you. Keep your shoulder to the wheel, and do not lose courage. Right is might, and we are right."

This was Bryan's last word to Ford as the former left the decks of the Oscar an hour before sailing time.

"You can do no harm by trying. You may not be successful, but certainly your hopes are for the best."

That is what Mr. Edison said. The exact number sailing is less than 140. Of these 54 are newspaper men.

Almost everything from murder down attended the sailing. Mr. Bryan was the busiest man on board. He was a formal and official witness to the wedding of Berton Bracey, poet, and Miss Marian Rubincam, newspaper girl. He was kissed by an elderly lady who wore many white streamers on which "Peace at Any Price" was printed. The kiss landed on Mr. Bryan's hand. The crowd was too great to permit access to his ruddy cheeks.

John Burroughs, naturalist, and C. L. Pietro, sculptor, were there to wave farewell to the pilgrims.

When Ford gave his last message, a few minutes before the gangplank went up, he was smiling broadly. This was his message:

"My last word is 'boost, boost peace.' I don't know how this thing is coming out. I don't know what we'll do when we get over in Europe, but anyway, I'm going to do the best I can."

WILSON WILL WED ON DEC. 18

Ceremony to Be Quiet; Only Kin to Be Present; Honeymoon Plans Kept Secret.

Washington, Dec. 7.—The wedding of President Wilson and Mrs. Norman Galt has been set for December 18. It was announced on Saturday at the White House.

The White House statement follows: "It was announced at the White House that the marriage of Mrs. Galt and the president will take place on Saturday, the eighteenth of December. As previously stated, the ceremony will be performed at Mrs. Galt's home, 1308 Twentieth street, Northwest. The only guests will be Mrs. Galt's mother, her brothers and sisters, the president's brother and sister, his daughters, and the members of his immediate household."

Regarding the honeymoon no announcement was made.

MILLIONAIRE WEDS EMPLOYEE

O. C. Barber, Diamond Match Magnate, Aged Seventy-Four, Takes Bride Thirty-Eight Years Old.

Akron, O., Dec. 4.—Ohio Columbus Barber, aged seventy-four, Akron millionaire, and Mary F. Orr, aged thirty-eight, his private secretary for twelve years, were married on Thursday. Mr. Barber is widely known as the founder of the Diamond Match company. His wealth is estimated at \$6,000,000. Only close relatives of the bride attended the wedding. Mr. Barber and his bride left after the ceremony for Old Point Comfort and Washington.

Predict Ten-Cent Sugar.

Philadelphia, Dec. 6.—Officials of the large refineries say the public will be forced to pay at least ten cents a pound for granulated sugar in the next three months, as a result of conditions arising from the war.

\$2,613,150,000 for Germany. Berlin, Dec. 6.—The amount paid in cash by subscribers to the third German loan in the last week of November was about \$51,000,000 marks. This brought up the total paid to 1,942,600,000 marks (\$2,613,150,000).

St. Paul Has Costly Blaze. St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 6.—Damage estimated at \$500,000 resulted here by a fire which swept the buildings of F. J. Leslie & Co., wholesale paper dealer, and Barrett & Barrett, wholesale meat and glassware house.

MAKING IT RUN SMOOTHLY?



BALTIMORE AMERICAN.

SERBIANS LOSE 17,000

LARGE PART OF KING PETER'S FORCES CAPTURED.

Prisrend and Monastir Occupied by Invading Troops—German Troops to Rumanian Border.

Berlin (by wireless to Sayville), Dec. 3.—An official report given out on Wednesday at the Bulgarian army headquarters says: "Bulgarian troops, after a short and decisive engagement, took Prisrend and made prisoner between 16,000 and 17,000 Serbians. They also captured 50 field cannons and howitzers, 20,000 rifles, 148 automobiles and a large amount of war material. The battle of Prisrend, where the remnants of the Serbian army were made prisoner, will probably end the Serbian campaign."

London, Dec. 3.—Monastir was formally surrendered to the Bulgarians on Monday, according to an Athens dispatch to the Daily Telegraph. A dispatch to the Morning Post from Bucharest says: "Feverish preparations are being made at Rusehuk, on the Danube west of the Rumanian border, to accommodate 50,000 Austro-German troops, who are due to arrive there shortly. Many officers with war materials already have arrived."

"Four Austrian monitors are patrolling the Danube along the whole length of the Bulgarian shore, to where the Bulgarian frontier joins that of Rumania."

LEGISLATURE TAKES RECESS

Illinois Lawmakers Agree to Meet Again February 23—Money Bills Passed.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 3.—The legislature has finished scrambling the eggs and is packing its grips and satchels. A recess adjournment has been taken until February 23. The date was fixed Wednesday night after a warm controversy and a complicated parliamentary mix-up. The house, after two days of continuous roll calls, voted on the last emergency appropriation bill and adopted a joint resolution for a recess until February 23.

After a prolonged discussion on the senate floor the upper branch voted to concur in the idea of a recess until February 23.

The legislature cleaned up all the emergency appropriation bills designed to rectify the blunders of the assembly last spring, which led to the tieup of the state machinery by the Ferguson suits.

MANY DIE IN EXPLOSION

Ammunition Factory Destroyed by Plotters at Halle, Prussian Saxony—Several Arrests Made.

London, Dec. 7.—Destruction of a large ammunition factory at Halle, Prussian Saxony, by an explosion, with the loss of several hundred lives, is reported in a message from Kolding, Denmark to Copenhagen, forwarded by Reuter's correspondent.

It is said a similar disaster was narrowly escaped at Bogden, Silesia. The ammunition factory there, it is reported, was saved by the discovery that it had been undermined.

According to this account, which has been confirmed, arrests have been made at Bogden. It is asserted discontented workmen are suspected in both instances.

Whitlock Is to Go Back.

Washington, Dec. 7.—State department officials insisted they had not changed plans to have Brand Whitlock return to Belgium. They scouted unofficial press reports that Germany was objecting to Whitlock's return.

Hot Socialists in Rome.

Rome, Dec. 7.—Socialist members of parliament were hounded on the streets of Rome because of attacks made on the government at Friday's session of the chamber of deputies. The session ended in an uproar.

Steamer Clan Macleod Sunk.

London, Dec. 7.—The British steamship Clan Macleod has been sunk in the Mediterranean by a submarine. The Clan Macleod, which displaced 1,700 tons, hailed from Glasgow, and was engaged in orient trade.

Hoke Smith to Investigate.

Washington, Dec. 7.—Senator Hoke Smith of Georgia announced that he had decided to introduce a resolution in congress immediately calling for an investigation of the British interference with American trade.

PLOTTERS ARE GUILTY

JURY CONVICTS DOCTOR BUENZ OF CONSPIRACY.

Three Aids Also Found Guilty—Jurors Were Out Seven Hours—Obtained False Clearances.

New York, Dec. 4.—The jury in the United States district court returned on Thursday night a verdict of guilty against Dr. Karl Buenz and three other officials of the Hamburg-American line.

The four defendants were charged with conspiracy to deceive and defraud the United States government by obtaining clearances for relief ships laden with coal and other supplies sailing from American ports for German cruisers in the Atlantic early in the war.

The maximum penalty for each indictment is two years' imprisonment and \$10,000 fine.

The jurors were out seven hours and it is reported they took only one ballot.

The four defendants took the verdict calmly. After the jury had filed out Doctor Buenz turned to Kotter, sitting at his left, and rising, shook hands. "Auf wiedersehen!" he said, and Kotter echoed the words.

NEWS FROM FAR AND NEAR

Newport, Ky., Dec. 4.—Kingston Blanchard, noted turfman and horse trainer, committed suicide by shooting.

Rome, Dec. 4.—Cardinal Begin, Archbishop of Quebec, who arrived here Thursday for the consistory, will be received in audience by the pope. He will be the only American cardinal at the consistory, none of the three in the United States having come.

Versailles, Dec. 4.—The Franco-American poet, Stuart Merrill, died suddenly at his home here, it is announced.

New York, Dec. 4.—A commission representing the Belgian government, and made up of Alois Van De Vyere, minister of finance; Baron Ernest De Cartier, Belgian minister to China, and Chevalier Edmund Carton de Wiart, president of the Societe Generale Beige, arrived on the liner Adriatic to superintend the filing of war contracts for the Belgian government.

3 AUSTRIAN MINISTERS OUT

Emperor Francis Joseph Confirms Report and Successors Have Been Named.

Amsterdam, Holland, Dec. 3.—Reports that several members of the Austrian cabinet have resigned were confirmed on Wednesday by an autograph letter from Emperor Francis Joseph, published in the Wiener Zeitung of Vienna. The emperor has accepted the resignations of Dr. Karl Heinold (Udyski), minister of the interior; Dr. Rudolf Schuster von Bonnot, minister of commerce, and Baron Engel von Mainfelden, minister of finance.

Prince Hohenlohe Schillingfuerst, president of the supreme court of accounts, has been appointed minister of the interior; Ritter von Leth, governor of the postal savings bank, minister of finance, and Herr von Spitzmuller, director of the Kredit Anstalt minister of commerce.

Escapes From Submarine.

New York, Dec. 7.—Capt. Simona Gull of the Italian steamer Verona, which arrived here after having been chased by a submarine, said a heavy sea was the chief factor in enabling the steamer to escape.

Big Fire in Maquoketa, Ia.

Maquoketa, Ia., Dec. 7.—One hundred thousand dollars was the estimated fire loss sustained when the Stevens block was destroyed. Carrol Phillips, a fireman, is in the hospital with injuries.

U. S. ASKS RECALLS

CAPT. BOY-ED AND CAPT. VON PAPPEN DECLARED PERSONA NON GRATA TO GOVERNMENT.

ADMITTED CONSPIRACY IN U. S.

Secretary Lansing Announces at Washington That Improper Activities in Military and Naval Matters Caused Action Against Attaches.

Washington, Dec. 6.—The state department announced formally on Friday that it had asked for the recall of Captain Boy-Ed and Captain von Papen, naval and military attaches, respectively, of the German embassy here, because of the "objectionable activities in connection with military and naval matters."

Secretary Lansing informed Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, that Captain Boy-Ed, naval attaché to the German embassy, had rendered himself persona non grata to the United States government as the result of his connection with the conspirators of the Hamburg-American line, who were found guilty in New York.

The state department was believed to be of the opinion that as Captain Boy-Ed had admitted his connection with the financing of the operations which the New York jury gave a verdict as being illegal there was nothing else to do but inform the German government of its views.

Secretary Lansing issued this statement: "On account of what this government considers improper activities in military and naval matters this government has requested the immediate recall of Captain Boy-Ed, German naval attaché, and Captain von Papen, German military attaché, as they are no longer acceptable to this government."

It is understood Count von Bernstorff notified Berlin.

By informing the ambassador that the attaches is persona non grata, the United States leaves it with the German government as to the manner in which Captain Boy-Ed shall terminate his connection with the embassy.

This is the usual diplomatic procedure in the case of an attaché. Captain Boy-Ed's activities in the United States since the war began have been the subject of close attention by the state department and the department of justice.

Several times it has been broadly hinted that the American government might intimate to Germany that the operations of her naval attaché were objectionable, with the inevitable suggestion that his connection with the embassy should be terminated.

Each time, however, the threatened action came to nothing. Captain Boy-Ed first attracted the attention of the government in connection with the misuse of American passports by German reservists seeking to slip through the allied lines to join their armies. Some of the men in connection with whose cases the captain's name was mentioned now are serving terms in federal penitentiaries.

Later Captain Boy-Ed's name was mentioned in connection with the chartering of ships from American ports to supply fuel and food to German warships.

The same alleged connection came up again during the trials of the Hamburg-American line officials just concluded in New York, in which witnesses testified that Captain Boy-Ed handled \$750,000, which came from Berlin for chartering the ships and furnishing them with supplies.

ASKS AUSTRIA TO EXPLAIN

Ambassador Penfield Repeats Request to Vienna for Reply to U. S. Note on Ancona.

Vienna, Austria, Dec. 6 (via London).—The American ambassador, Frederick C. Penfield, repeated his request to the Austrian government that it make a reply to the American note respecting the circumstances in connection with the sinking of the steamship Ancona in the Mediterranean by an Austrian submarine, as a result of which several Americans lost their lives.

CLARKE NAMED BY SENATE

Arkansas Member Chosen President Pro Tem. Over Pomerene of Ohio After Hard Fight.

Washington, Dec. 6.—Senator Clarke of Arkansas was elected president pro tem. of the senate on Friday by a vote of 28 to 23. Clarke was elected in the caucus of senate Democrats after more than two hours of continuous balloting. Friends of Senator Pomerene of Ohio made a hard fight to defeat the senator from Arkansas, but could muster only 23 votes.

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