

U. S. ASKS RECALLS

CAPT. BOY-ED AND CAPT. VON PAPAN 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 Papan, 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 Papan, 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 attaché 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 13 votes.

\$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 361,000,000 marks. This brought up the total paid to 10,452,000,000 marks (\$2,613,150,000).

St. Paul Has Costly Blaze. St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 6.—Damage estimated at \$300,000 resulted here by fire which swept the buildings of F. J. Leslie & Co., wholesale paper dealers, and Barrett & Barrett, wholesale vinegar and glassware house.

MAKING IT RUN SMOOTHLY?



SERBIANS LOSE 17,000 TO BAR CZAR'S ARMY

LARGE PART OF KING PETER'S FORCES CAPTURED.

Prisrend and Monastir Occupied by Invading Troops—German Troops to Roumanian 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 Rustchuk, on the Danube west of the Roumanian 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 Roumania."

CAN VISIT NEUTRAL NATIONS

State Department Refuses to Issue Passports in Belligerent Territory to Ford Party.

Washington, Dec. 4.—Seventy-five passports, good only in neutral countries, were issued on Thursday by the state department for members of the Ford peace expedition. Several passports were refused on account of faulty applications, or because the applicants were not citizens of the United States.

Inez Milholland Boissevain, suffragist, was refused a passport because her husband is a citizen of a foreign country.

New York, Dec. 4.—Louis P. Lochner, secretary to the Ford expedition, said the idea of "getting the boys out of the trenches by Christmas" had been given up. "The whole thing is trying the impossible," he added, "but we are trying just the same."

NEGRO MAN HANGED BY MOB

Hundred Arkansans Storm Jail and Hang Alleged Slayer to a Telephone Pole.

Forrest City, Ark., Dec. 4.—A mob of more than 100 men stormed the county jail here and took William Patrick, a negro man, from his cell and hanged him to a telephone pole. Patrick was charged with having shot and killed John Nichols, Jr., son of County Assessor John Nichols.

Austrians Leave Lemberg.

London, Dec. 6.—A Central News dispatch from Bucharest states that the Austrians have evacuated Lemberg owing to an epidemic of scurvy. According to this dispatch the victims number 200 fresh cases daily.

Serb Officials at Saloniki. Athens, Dec. 6.—Members of the Serbian chamber of deputies and the minister of war have arrived at Saloniki, while the minister of finance is at Florina, Greece, 15 miles south-east of Monastir.

ROUMANIA FORBIDS DANUBE TO RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT.

Bulgars Capture Prisrend and Monastir—French and Serbs Retreat Before Ferdinand's Troops.

London, Dec. 1.—While the entente cause in the Balkans received a serious blow in Roumania's reported decision to bar Russian activities against Bulgaria, the advance of the Teutonic and Bulgarian invaders continued on both fronts in Serbia.

An official statement from Berlin says Bulgarian forces have captured Prisrend, near the Albanian border, with 3,000 men, while Austro-German forces advanced southwest of Mitrovitz and took 1,000 prisoners.

Press dispatches from Bucharest say that the Roumanian government has forbidden the use of the Danube to the Russian government and that in an energetic note it has made the demand that Russia respect her neutrality. The note states that Roumania will defend her neutrality if necessary. The Danube is mined.

The Bulgars are pushing their conquest of Serbian Macedonia rapidly toward the Greek frontier. The Sofia war office stated. Monastir was captured Monday.

The southern Serbs and French are reported in general retreat and the British is too small a force to figure seriously in the fighting.

The French, falling back along the Cerna river, are burning bridges in an attempt to check the Bulgar pursuit.

FLASHES OFF THE WIRE

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 Belge, arrived on the liner Adriatic to superintend the filling of war contracts for the Belgian government.

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.

Bonus for Powder Workers.

Tamaqua, Pa., Dec. 6.—Announcement is made by the Atlas Powder company that all employees who have been with the company a year will receive a cash bonus of 10 per cent of their wages.

Allies' Cruiser Hit.

Constantinople, Turkey (via London), Dec. 6.—The Turkish war office announced that in the fighting at the Dardanelles a cruiser of the allies had been hit three times and forced to retire.

PLOTTERS ARE GUILTY

JURY CONVICTS DR. BUENZ AND THREE AIDS OF CONSPIRACY.

JURORS OUT SEVEN HOURS

Verdict Is They Defrauded the United States Government in Obtaining False Clearances to Help the German Fleet in the Atlantic.

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 defraud 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.

Sentences were not imposed at once because of the late hour when the verdict was reached.

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

An appeal, it seemed certain, will be made to the federal court of appeals and, in case the verdict is upheld, to the Supreme court of the United States.

Meanwhile the defendants will probably remain at liberty under \$5,000 bail each. The four defendants affected by the verdict are:

Dr. Karl Buenz, managing director of the Hamburg-American line in New York city and former German consul general.

George Kotter, general superintendent of the line.

Adolph Hachmeister, general purchasing agent.

Joseph Poppinghaus, a former officer in the German army and at present a second officer in the Hamburg-American line.

The jury returned a verdict of guilty on each of two indictments.

A fifth defendant, Felix Seffner, supercargo on one of the neutral steamers sent to supply the German fleet, was not brought to trial. He was captured by the British while on his errand of relief and is at present a prisoner in a Canadian detention camp.

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.

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.

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 d'Udyski, minister of the interior; Dr. Rudolf Schuster von Bonnot, minister of commerce, and Baron Engel von Mainfeld, 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.

Mrs. W. R. Hearst Mother of Twins.

New York, Dec. 4.—Mrs. William Randolph Hearst became the mother of two sturdy boys on Wednesday at her residence on Riverside drive. Mr. and Mrs. Hearst now have five children, all boys.

Greek Steamer Sunk.

London, Dec. 4.—The Greek steamer Zarafas has been sunk in the Mediterranean by a submarine, according to maritime advices received here. The crew escaped in boats and was picked up by a steamer.

CONDENSED NEWS

OF INTEREST TO ALL.

Isaac W. Harris, one of the most prominent bankers in Nebraska died at his home at Stella.

Steps have been taken by citizens at Wausa for the formation of a farmers' and merchants' club.

The new up-to-date Palace theater, seating nearly 500 at Long Pine was opened to the public a short time ago.

The seedling mile of the Lincoln highway at Kearney, known as the Watson boulevard, was thrown open to the public December 1.

During the union evangelistic campaign in Gothenburg under the leadership of Evangelist John H. Linden of Madison, Wis., 424 people hit the trail.

Dr. L. M. Stearns of Kearney has been appointed resident physician of the state tubercular hospital at that place. He succeeds Dr. Van Der Slice, who was recently dismissed.

At the district meeting of the I. O. O. F. lodges held in Bridgeport, recently, a vote was taken in favor of holding the next district meeting in Alliance. This will be in the fall of 1916.

Railroad companies have decided to withdraw their application for permission to raise rates on shipments of meat and other packing house products from South Omaha and Omaha to Lincoln.

The Fremont city council has formally recognized the municipal Christmas tree plan by voting to co-operate with Fremont merchants in a big Christmas tree on the court house lawn.

Clarence Eklund won two straight falls from Mike Frome of Iowa, in their wrestling match at Friend. Chris Jordan was billed to wrestle Frome, but on account of a strained neck Eklund was substituted.

The old M. E. church at Beaver City is being rebuilt and converted into a modern, up-to-date place of worship. When completed it will be one of the finest church edifices in that section of the state.

The Omaha building department conservatively estimates this year's building operations will aggregate \$5,500,000, nearly \$1,000,000 more than last year. This will be the best building year for Omaha since 1911.

Fred Cox, a farmer residing ten miles north of Fairbury, has one hundred acres of corn that will yield on an average of sixty-seven bushels an acre. This is the best average yield reported to date in southern Nebraska.

A project has been successfully launched in Hastings to have an outdoor municipal Christmas tree. A toy hospital has also been established in the public schools to mend broken toys, and afterwards distribute them among the poor.

State wide and national prohibition and limited national defense were among the resolutions adopted by the Nebraska Farmers' Congress at their recent convention in Omaha. The congress decided to again meet in Omaha in 1916.

Advices from Omaha are to the effect that President Mohler, of the Union Pacific has asked the board of directors of the company for an appropriation of eighty thousand dollars for the purpose of constructing a new depot building at North Platte.

There have been four deaths in Falls City recently from diphtheria and there are three cases still under quarantine. The percentage of deaths to cases is very high. The source of the infection has not been located by the city board of health.

Bales Young, an auto repair man of Hastings, was instantly killed and Miss Mabel Evans, clerk, sustained a broken leg and may die from exposure as the result of an automobile, in which they were riding, being struck by a fast passenger train.

Some thirty parents of children of school age in Gage county have been notified that unless they comply with the state law and send the children to school they will be prosecuted. It is said a number have been kept out of school this fall to aid in corn fields.

The town of Tekamah is undergoing a building boom. Among the large jobs now in progress are the \$35,000 municipal electric light plant, \$25,000 Methodist church and a \$15,000 Carnegie library. Many small buildings are going up in all parts of the place.

Orrin Shaw, who lives near Broken Bow, met with an accident that cost him the loss of an eye. He was in the act of driving a nail when a stroke of the hammer caused the nail to fly back and strike him in the left eye, cutting open the eyeball. Physicians found it necessary to remove the eye.

Alone in a little country school house between North Platte and Maywood, Miss Esther Maye, a teacher, was burned to death when she attempted to start a fire in the stove by using gasoline. The can exploded, throwing burning oil over her clothing. She was alive and conscious when found, but died soon after.

It is reported that F. T. Shields, editor of a democratic paper at Orleans, will be a candidate for the democratic nomination for governor.

The Nebraska City board of health will have the support of City Attorney W. W. Wilson in its attempt to enforce that provision of the health ordinance relating to the inspection of dairy cows. The board announced a few days ago that tuberculin tests would be made, at a cost of \$2 each to the men owning the cows, said test to be made by veterinarians working with the board.

The State Bank of Gering is a prospective new financial institution for that place.

A proposition for a night auto school in the Y. M. C. A. at Norfolk is under consideration.

Mr. and Mrs. James King of Beatrice recently celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary.

Citizens of Adams are planning to build a community house to cost between \$8,000 and \$10,000.

Two more cases of scarlet fever have been reported in Norfolk and seventeen cases are now registered.

The Lyons high school is to have a first class gymnasium. A building is now being remodeled for that purpose.

The Hebron board of education has rented the opera house for the winter to be used by the schools for athletic purposes.

Captain and Mrs. Evans at their home in Stella Thanksgiving Day, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.

Fire did considerable damage to the beautiful \$35,000 Methodist church at Lexington. Only by quick work of firemen was the edifice saved from destruction.

Robert Van Every, of Hastings, was severely injured when struck on the face by the sweep of a capstan in a house moving outfit which he was operating.

The postoffice at Goodstead, Morrill county, has been discontinued by the United States postal authorities. Mail hereafter must be sent to Aurora.

Rooms have been secured and a Y. W. C. A. will be opened at Beatrice, in the near future. A large number of women have signified their intention of joining the association.

After three weeks of searching, officers and citizens have found no trace of the body of Frank Oberchain, who disappeared while hunting ducks in the big lagoon near inland.

With the aid of a bronchoscope a kernel of corn was located in the left lung of a five-year-old Clay Center girl at Hastings and removed by doctors when the child was at the point of death.

Harold Corey of Green Bay, Wis., for two years of the University of Nebraska football eleven, was elected captain of the 1916 Huskers over Guy Chamberlain, the phenomenal Nebraska end.

The Farmers' State Bank of Stella is rapidly converting a store building into a home for the new institution. The capital stock is \$15,000. Most of the stockholders are farmers living near Stella.

Judge B. O. Hostetler, of Kearney, who was waited upon by a delegation of republicans who were desirous of having him declare himself as to the possibilities of making the race for governor, declared he would not be a candidate for the place.

Earl Charleston of Fremont claims to be a champion corn husker. On the farm of his brother, Boyd, north of Fremont one day last week, he picked and scooped 98 bushels of corn in eight hours and 15 minutes. The corn yielded about 30 bushels an acre.

Theron H. Steen, connected with the American embassy at Vienna, Austria, who is in Kearney visiting, says that the Austrians can see nothing but victory ahead in the great war and they did little if any mourning for those killed in battle.

The First National bank of Clarks which recently figured in a mandamus suit to compel the state banking board to grant its officers a charter to open a state savings bank in the office rooms of its bank, has changed from a national bank to a state bank.

Fire damaged the Republican Valley hospital at Cambridge to the extent of at least \$1,000. The hospital was full of patients, but all were taken care of. One patient, the victim of a motorcycle accident, had to be removed from the hospital through a window.

Mrs. Dettmore, who lives with her brother near Morrill, was robbed recently of \$20 by a daring highwayman. The robber tied Mrs. Dettmore in the house and then tied a boy of 14 in the barn, got the money, cut the telephone wires and fled. He was later captured near Scottsbluff.

The offices of the various societies which compose Organized Agriculture are now preparing their programs for the midwinter meetings at Lincoln on January 17-22. Twenty-two societies will hold meetings and the entire field of scientific agriculture, horticulture, dairying, good roads, live stock breeding and all kindred subjects will receive consideration in the programs.

The Nebraska Peace society at Lincoln recently sent a letter to its members asking them if they were in favor of increase of the army and navy; if they favored the program for "preparedness," and if they favored a conference of neutral nations. As to increase of army, 13 replied in favor and 41 against. Twelve favored the increase of the navy and 41 opposed. There were 150 letters sent out and a total of 84 replies received.

National guard inspections for this year started the first of December with the companies in Omaha, and will be completed by about December 15.

Guy Chamberlain, star of the University of Nebraska football team, has been named on the all-western football teams of Walter Eckersall of the Chicago Tribune and G. W. Axelson of the Chicago Herald. Dick Rutherford was also selected by Axelson for his first team, while Eckersall chose the Nebraska leader as captain of his second team.