

# BERLIN ENDS CRISIS

MESSAGE TO VON BERNSTORFF MAKES FULL SETTLEMENT OF LUSITANIA CASE NEAR.

## NO DANGER OF BREAK SEEN

Germany Has Refused to Declare Sinking of Liner Illegal, But Makes Concessions Which Give Promise of Adjustment Soon.

Washington, Feb. 7.—All danger of a rupture with Germany over the Lusitania controversy has disappeared. Count von Bernstorff formally communicated to Secretary of State Lansing on Friday the reply of his government to the oral representations made to him some days ago.

While Germany has refused to declare that the sinking of the Lusitania was illegal and contrary to international law in the form desired by this government, it can be stated on authority that concessions have been made which give promise of adjustment as a result of further exchanges.

Whether these concessions fully comply with the terms of settlement offered by President Wilson will depend—from the American viewpoint—on very close study and examination of the note.

From the German viewpoint the communication is regarded as granting substantially all that the United States asked in the report recently sent to his government by Count von Bernstorff, on the basis of his last conversation with Secretary Lansing.

Should President Wilson not find the concessions wholly satisfactory it seems probable that an adjustment to make them acceptable can be reached in informal conferences between Secretary Lansing and Count von Bernstorff during the next five days.

The concessions made by the German government are of such a character, it is understood, that if they fall short of satisfying President Wilson they have so narrowed the margin of difference in the informal negotiations as not to necessitate the abandonment of the informal negotiations.

The danger of a break in diplomatic relations between Germany and the United States, it is asserted in a very high quarter, have been averted by the new communication, and the statement is even made in this very responsible quarter that there can now be no break between the two countries over the Lusitania affair.

It is evident from the promptness with which Germany has replied to the president's minimum demands that there exists a real desire on the part of officials in that country to settle all outstanding differences with the United States.

## PHILIPPINE BILL IS PASSED

Measure Wins in the Senate by Vote of 52 to 24—Stone's Amendment Lost.

Washington, Feb. 7.—After weeks of discussion the Philippine self-government bill was passed by the senate on Friday by a vote of 52 to 24. As finally adopted, its essential features have been substantially modified. Senator Stone offered an amendment that would have eliminated the provision giving the president power to extend the period within which independence must be granted, and restoring the provision in the original bill guaranteeing the neutrality of the islands. Senator Stone made a strong appeal for support for this proposition, but it was rejected, 60 to 17.

## KEATING BILL PASSES HOUSE

Anti-Child Labor Bill Wins—Southern Members Vote Against the Measure.

Washington, Feb. 3.—The opposition of southern Democrats to the passage of the Keating anti-child labor bill was ridden over roughshod by the house when, by a vote of 337 to 46, it passed the measure. Only two Republicans voted against the bill. Forty-five of the forty-six votes against it came from the South, most of them concentrated in the states of North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Texas and Tennessee.

## BERLIN SAYS L-19 IS MISSING

Zeppelin Has Not Returned From Raid—British Trawler Refused to Rescue Crew.

Berlin, Feb. 7.—An official communication on Friday admits Zeppelin L-19 has not returned from a reconnoitering flight and that inquiries concerning the airship have been fruitless. Reports from Amsterdam confirm the fear that the airship has been lost.

## Ship and Cargo of Supplies Lost.

London, Feb. 5.—Reports of the sinking in mid-Atlantic of the British freighter Chasehill, from New York January 13 for Havre with a cargo of supplies for the French government, were confirmed. Its crew was rescued.

## Ship Sunk by Zeppelin.

London, Feb. 5.—The British collier Frank Fisher was sunk by a Zeppelin and 13 of its crew killed. Three survivors landed at Hartlepool by a Belgian steamer. The Zeppelin, flying low, literally showered the collier.

# THE LATEST RECRUIT



## ZEP BOMBS KILL 54 TO FREE PHILIPPINES

AIRSHIPS DO HEAVY DAMAGE IN FOUR ENGLISH COUNTIES.

Official Statement Issued at London Gives Casualties—Berlin Admiralty Tells of Big Raid.

London, Feb. 3.—Fifty-four persons were killed and 67 injured in the Zeppelin raid on Monday night. The figures in regard to the casualties were outlined in an official statement issued here. The official statement issued on Tuesday says 220 bombs were dropped on many towns and in rural districts in Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Lincolnshire and Staffordshire. Some damage to property was caused.

Berlin, Feb. 3 (via Sayville).—The German admiralty on Tuesday issued the following report:

"A German airship squadron during the night of January 31 to February 1 dropped a large number of incendiary bombs on and near the Liverpool and Pickenhead docks, harbors and factories; also on the Manchester iron works and blast furnaces, on Nottingham and Sheffield factories and blast furnaces, finally on a large number of industrial establishments on the Humber and near Great Yarmouth.

"At all these places the heavy effect of the bombardment was observed by mighty explosions and violent fires. The airships were vigorously fired at from all the places, but were not hit. All the airships, despite the enemy's fire, have returned safe."

## BANKER MUNDAY IS FREE

Bonds Fixed at \$15,000 and Judge Stough Signs Bills of Exceptions in Ottawa.

Chicago, Feb. 4.—Charles B. Munday, who was sentenced to five years' imprisonment after having been convicted of a charge of conspiring to wreck the LaSalle Street Trust and Savings bank, was released on Wednesday on bonds of \$15,000. His release was brought about by a writ of superadeas issued by Judges Dorrance, Dibell, D. J. Carnes and J. M. Neuhaus of the Second district of the appellate court. Munday's counsel visited Ottawa, Ill., where the writ was issued. Judge S. C. Stough adjourned court and signed the bill of exceptions. Munday's case, on a writ of error, comes up before the appellate court at the April term.

## WILSON SPEAKS IN ST. LOUIS

Stirs Audience of 15,000 People in Coliseum—May Make Another Trip.

St. Louis, Feb. 5.—President Wilson stirred an audience of 15,000 people in the Coliseum here when he solemnly warned the people of Missouri to prepare for the upholding of American rights and ideals. A crowd of 30,000 was outside the hall clamoring for admission. The address was the final one he will make on his Western trip. It is still undecided whether Mr. Wilson will make another trip. The president's advisers are urging him to do so at once. They especially want him to swing through the southern states, where opponents of preparedness have been making a campaign.

## Italian Reserves Recalled.

Rome, Feb. 7.—All the men born in 1881 who belong to the cavalry have been recalled to the colors. Men born in 1882, 1883 and 1884 and belonging to the engineer regiments and men born in 1885 also have been recalled.

## Prussian Losses 2,337,096.

Copenhagen, Feb. 7.—The Prussian casualties lists for January contain 36,500 names, bringing the total Prussian losses to 2,337,096. The January lists contain the names of five generals killed and two wounded.

AMENDMENT WINS IN SENATE BY ONE VOTE.

President Authorized to Surrender All Rights to Islands Within Four Years.

Washington, Feb. 4.—Vice-President Marshall on Wednesday cast a deciding vote in the senate on the Philippine bill, helping to pass the Clarke amendment to withdraw the sovereignty of the United States from the islands not sooner than two years and not later than four. Fifteen Democrats voted against it.

By the terms of the Clarke amendment the president would be authorized to surrender all rights to the Philippines and recognize an independent government instituted by the people in not less than two or more than four years after approval of the pending measure.

Provision is made, however, that the president may extend time for withdrawing from the islands if conditions of internal and external affairs with regard to stability of the proposed government should warrant such action. He might extend it until the adjournment of a new session in congress, in order to afford congress another opportunity further to consider the subject.

Provision making it optional for the United States to retain sites for coaling stations and a naval base in the event of independence was included. Efforts to recommit the bill failed by a vote of 50 to 29.

By a vote of 49 to 31 an amendment by Senator Kenyon of Iowa was adopted to strike from the Clarke amendment all plans for guaranteeing the sovereignty of the islands, either by the United States alone or by treaties or other international agreements.

## FLASHES OFF THE WIRE

Peking, Feb. 3.—So widespread has become the anti-government uprising in Yun-Nan province that 80,000 troops have been sent there by Yuan Shi Kai. Chinese regulars are reported to have engaged in battle the 2,000 Mongolian rebels who are marching on Peking.

Berlin, Feb. 3.—A tremendous bombardment of the German positions in Champagne and the Vosges has been opened by the French, according to an official report issued by the German war office. Lens is again being shelled by the allies. Another French aeroplane has been shot down.

## JAP SHIP SINKS; 160 PERISH

Steamer Daijin Maru Collides With British Vessel—Sinks in Seven Minutes.

Shanghai, Feb. 7.—The Japanese steamer Daijin Maru, 1,576 tons, collided with the British steamer Linan Wednesday night and sank shortly afterward with a loss of 160 lives, according to maritime advices received here. The Linan was badly damaged and had to put into Hongkong. The collision is said to have occurred about 125 miles from Hongkong.

## Fire at Waynesburg, Pa.

Waynesburg, Pa., Feb. 7.—Fire, entailing a loss of \$100,000, destroyed the Miner block, the McGurgin block, the American bank and the Sayers building. The plant of the Democrat-Messenger was a total loss.

## Chicago Bandit Kills Man.

Chicago, Feb. 7.—Thomas Creighton, forty-five years old a brother and employee of Michael Creighton, owner of a saloon at 5659 South State street, was shot and almost instantly killed by a lone holdup man.

# "ZEP" FALLS IN SEA

GERMAN AIRSHIP BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN DISABLED BY DUTCH SHELLS.

## REFUSED AID BY FISHERMEN

Crew of British Trawler Feared Capture if They Rescued Foes—Thirteen Drowned When Vessel is Sunk by Bomb.

London, Feb. 5.—Thirty-five more deaths in British waters, resulting from the Zeppelin raid, are reported.

Twenty-two of the victims are Germans, members of the crew of a dirigible, believed to have been the L-19, which fell into the North sea.

Thirteen men of the crew of the collier Franz Fischer were drowned when the collier was sent to the bottom in two minutes by a bomb dropped by one of the Zeppelins returning from the raid made on England. Only three men of the Fischer were saved.

The story of the fate of the wrecked air craft is told by the crew of the steam trawler King Stephen, Captain Martin, which arrived at Grimsby. Aid was refused the Germans because they outnumbered the crew of the trawler. It is considered likely that the Germans have drowned by this time.

The fishermen say that early on Wednesday morning in the North sea their attention was attracted by flashes of light apparently from a ship's signal lamp. They made for the spot and found a huge mass of wreckage.

They stood by until the light improved, when it was seen that the wreckage was that of the Zeppelin L-19. The cabins and a part of the envelope were under water, but a large part of the envelope was floating.

On the platform on the top of the envelope seven or eight Germans were seen. These hailed the trawler in English, calling: "Save us, Save us. We will give you plenty of money."

As the trawler carried only nine hands and the Germans numbered about twenty-two, Captain Martin decided that it was not safe to take so many enemies aboard, particularly as the trawler was unarmed. He feared that his crew might be overpowered by the Germans. The captain therefore proceeded to report the position of the airship to the proper authorities, adequate assistance being sent afterwards, and put into Grimsby.

It is believed that the Zeppelin was one of those participating in the raid of January 31. The fishermen had been at sea several days and were not aware of the raid.

The Zeppelin probably was disabled by the Dutch coast artillery, which fired on it while it was attempting to return to Germany over Dutch territory. Fifty shots, some of which, it is believed, hit, were fired at a Zeppelin Wednesday morning as it flew low in a fog over the island of Ameland, off the coast of Holland.

## TURKS TO GET U. S. NOTE

America's Decision as to Seized Ship's Fate Will Determine Future of 200 Left Aboard.

Old Point Comfort, Va., Feb. 4.—Two hundred and forty-five persons held prisoners by a German prize crew on the captured British passenger liner Appam were informed on Wednesday that they were at liberty to land on American soil. More than 200 other persons, including the German captors, the captain and crew of the liner and passengers alleged to belong to the armed forces of Great Britain, will be held on board until the United States government determines their status and that of the ship itself. This arrangement was reached on orders from Washington.

With the others will land G. D. Tagliaferri, a naturalized American of Nevada, the only citizen of the United States aboard. Although carrying his citizenship papers, he had not made his identity known until he was discovered by an immigration officer.

## MORGAN GOES TO ENGLAND

Intimations That Trip Might Be Related to Loan by Allies Are Met With Denial.

New York, Feb. 4.—J. P. Morgan sailed Wednesday for England aboard the steamship Rotterdam. He was accompanied by Benjamin Strong, governor of the New York Federal Reserve bank. In their capacity as commercial agents for the French and British governments, Morgan & Co. have purchased or supervised the purchase of supplies costing hundreds of millions of dollars. Intimations that Mr. Morgan's trip might not be unrelated to another external loan by the allies met with denial.

## On Watch for Appam.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 7.—A wireless dispatch received here reported a French cruiser had arrived off the Virginia capes and was patrolling there to prevent the Appam from escaping from Newport News.

## Italian Town is Shelled.

Rome, Feb. 7.—An Austrian squadron, consisting of four torpedo boats and a cruiser, bombarded the Italian town of San Vitochieno and the railroad station at Ortona. Slight damage was caused.

# CONDENSED NEWS

OF INTEREST TO ALL.

The infant child of John Serann, which wandered away from home at Harrison, was found frozen to death.

Work on a \$20,000 brick building to be used as a wholesale grocery house, will start in Norfolk in a short time.

Frank Kitts of Holstein has been awarded the contract for all concrete bridge construction in Adams county this year.

About 200 delegates are expected to attend the convention of the Nebraska State Optical association in Omaha, February 16, 17 and 18.

Fire damaged the Catholic church of Aurora to the extent of \$3,000. This same church was seriously damaged by fire just a year ago.

The Inter-Mountain Railway, Light and Power company, which is building lines to furnish light and power to Funk, Wilcox and Hildreth, has been obliged to stop work on account of the impossibility of securing material from the manufacturers.

Fire, originating in the basement of a cafe, wrecked the interior of the Brownell building, a four-story and brick structure in the heart of the Lincoln retail business district. The total estimated loss is between \$50,000 and \$60,000.

Rayard H. Palne, of Grand Island, has prepared his petition for one of the nominations for district judge and will file the same in the near future. There are at present three candidates for the non-partisan nomination, though it is expected there will be others.

Three stock receipt records were broken at the South Omaha Stock Yards last month. A new record was established for a month in hog receipts. A new January cattle record was placed among the high marks. The month broke all previous records for the number of cars arriving at the stock yards.

E. R. Purcell, president of the Public Service club of Broken Bow, received a telegram from President Hale Holden of the Burlington, stating that the road will erect a new and modern station in that city, owing to the inadequacy of the present station. This matter has been under consideration for some time.

At the recent annual meeting of the fire and tornado assessment association of Hall county and adjoining counties at Grand Island the reports submitted showed a membership of 567 farmers, with a total fire insurance of \$2,051,000 and a total tornado insurance of \$1,767,000 for 541 members.

For the second time within thirteen months the T. B. Hord elevator at Monroe was destroyed by fire. The origin is unknown. When discovered the whole interior was burning. The building contained 7,000 bushels of grain and had a capacity of twenty thousand bushels. The total loss was about 715,000.

C. J. Miles, former mayor of Hastings, and president of the defunct Nebraska State league, authorized a public statement announcing his candidacy for the republican nomination for governor. This gives Hastings two republican candidates for governor. Mayor Madgett having filed for the nomination.

In a rousing meeting at Grand Island delegates from many of the towns outside of Broken Bow met and pledged their untiring loyalty to the cause of the division of Custer county into smaller portions of the commonwealth. While there were no formal resolutions the proposed division of the county was agreed upon.

Joe Stecher of Dodge has returned from his triumphant eastern trip. He wrestled fifteen athletes in the three weeks he was on the road and easily defeated them all. This was Stecher's first trip east and he was accorded a big reception by the sporting writers and the public generally. In New York he was heralded as the new world's champion.

The 2-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Strain of University Place choked to death as the result of swallowing a peanut nearly two months ago. The peanut had been removed by a delicate operation several weeks ago, but the child had been subject to violent coughing spells ever since the operation. It was while in one of these spells that she died.

Over \$150 was raised among the Columbus citizens for the fund to aid the eight million suffering Jews in the war zone.

Prices on horses and mules range high, the steady demand for them for the European war being a factor. At a farm sale held near Tecumseh one day recently an ordinary team of draft horses brought \$415. A team of mules was sold at \$400. Single work horses went at \$170 and \$190. Cows are bringing as much as \$70 on the block.

Theodore E. Nordgren, former representative from Hamilton county in the state legislature, has filed as a candidate for lieutenant-governor on the republican ticket.

Hastings barbers will hereafter charge 35 cents for haircuts.

Nearly 100 editors of northeast Nebraska attended the annual meeting at Wayne.

The Federation of Nebraska Retailers will hold their annual convention in Lincoln February 8, 9 and 10.

Hastings is making elaborate preparations for the annual convention of the state association of Commercial clubs to be held there Feb. 16.

W. L. McAllister of Neligh has filed for the republican nomination for senator in the Ninth senatorial district, composed of Boone, Nance and Antelope.

Farmers around North Bend are making large stock shipments. Many are selling their hogs on the North Bend market at \$7.40 per hundred-weight.

An authorized official census of the city of Scottsbluff reveals that it is a city of the first class with a population of 5,168, exclusive of suburban villages.

Paul Fender, a young farmer living across the river from Nebraska City, suffered serious injuries, when his hair was caught in a corn sheller. He was completely scalped.

Rev. Mr. Affiebaugh, the street preacher who created consternation at a funeral in Grand Island by injecting debate into the services, was fined \$20 and costs, the maximum penalty.

Hog receipts at South Omaha on Tuesday, February 1st, footed up 26,000 head, the second largest in the history of that market. The record day was February 13, 1912, when 28,969 head arrived.

Charles Bresenia of Hyannis drew the 640-acre ranser station at the recent land drawing at Broken Bow. Mr. Bresenia is a poor man. The place is twelve miles from Hyannis and is valued at \$5,000.

Two brick store buildings two stories high, constituting the principal part of the business section of Ames, were destroyed by fire. The loss on buildings and stock is estimated at \$10,000 and insurance of \$8,500 was carried.

The Hastings municipal band, supported by the city and directed by John S. Lelek, former conductor of the Kittles band and soloist with Sousa, will make a tour next month, beginning with a concert at Kearney, March 2.

The Cedar bank farm, located one and three-quarter miles north of York, was sold one day recently at public auction. It consisted of eighty-seven acres and the price paid was \$280.50 per acre, or a total of \$24,403.50.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the now hotel to be built in Fremont, nineteen directors were chosen and articles of incorporation adopted. The Fremont Hotel company is the name chosen. The capitalized stock is \$200,000, with half of it paid up.

Eddie Sodomka, the 18-year-old crippled lad who shot and killed his father at their home in Omaha, while the latter, in a drunken rage, was beating the boy's mother on the head with a water pail, was exonerated by a coroner's jury and released from custody.

Edna Carney, a school girl at Talmage, suffered a peculiar accident. While at play on the school ground she stepped on a lead pencil which was frozen in the ground, point up. The pencil went through her shoe and entered her foot to a considerable depth, causing an extremely painful injury.

A new railroad bridge across the Missouri river at Omaha to replace the present bridge, with the exception of the piers, and to cost \$1,000,000, will be built by the Union Pacific Bridge company, work to commence in the spring if material can be obtained. Plans for the bridge have been completed.

The inmates of Sunnyside, the old folks' home destroyed by fire January 16 at Hastings, are circulating a petition addressed to the Carnegie Hero commission asking that a medal be given Miss Margaret Kenly, matron of the institute, for heroism she displayed in saving several of the inmates from the fire.

Guy Boyd, formerly Burlington railway agent at Royal, has sued the Standard Oil company for selling oil to the railroad company that he alleges was far below the standard and highly combustible. In his petition he alleges that a lamp filled with this oil exploded, setting fire to the depot building and severely injuring him.

One of the largest shipments of mules ever made from Nebraska passed through Omaha the other day to the seaboard. It consisted of 800 animals and took thirty-two cars to accommodate them.

An automobile hearse will be among the exhibits at the Omaha Automobile show February 21 to 28, according to announcement of Manager Clarke Powell. This will be the first time in the history of automobile shows that an automobile hearse has been on display.

The West Point farmers' institute will be held on February 18. Much interest being shown by the farming community, especially by the women, who have a strong auxiliary association. This function promises to be both interesting and profitable.

Postmaster Davis of North Platte is planning the extension of one of the rural routes out of the city into one of the longest routes in the state. It will cover a fifty miles of territory and will embrace the town of Bignell on the proposed new Burlington extension.