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O'NEILL, NEBRASKA

The annual mineral output of British Columbia is valued at approximately \$20,000,000. The figures for 1913 exceeded that amount, while the product last year was some \$4,000,000 short of the value of minerals produced in the province last year, as compared with 1913, was due to the European war, which disturbed the metal markets throughout the world, producing a depressing effect on the industry in British Columbia.

Ella Flagg Young, long superintendent of the Chicago schools, has declared in Los Angeles that the modern girl may seem a butterfly, but is all right, and don't any one say so. "The girls and today are the happy possessors of freedom," says Mrs. Young, "and their viewpoints are different from those of 50 years ago, to be sure, but their short skirts are a vast improvement on trains. The modern young woman meets my approval."

There has been Asiatic cholera in Petrograd all this year, but the authorities have forbidden, with heavy penalties, the dissemination of the word "cholera" by print or in speech. It is called by a word signifying "chronic diarrhea." The disease seems to be gaining headway, as recently notices in big red letters have been posted up on shops and walls and fences all over the city warning the population not to drink unboiled water on any account.

At the present time about 2,200,000 acres are devoted to the raising of flax, chiefly in North Dakota, Minnesota, South Dakota and Montana. The flax is grown primarily for the seed from which linseed oil is manufactured. The annual crop amounts to about 20,000,000 bushels of seed and is valued at approximately \$33,000,000. The crop also yields approximately 1,600,000 tons of straw, but of this only about 200,000 tons are put to any profitable use.

At Peterhof, 15 miles west of Petrograd, the main road to the Russian capital has been prepared for fighting. Gun emplacements and trenches have been constructed in woods and gardens along the roadside, and platforms, reached by ladders of spikes driven into trunks of trees, have been built among the branches, so that machine gun fire may sweep long stretches of the road.

Buffalo Jones, a famous guide, who of late years has made preservation of the buffalo his mission in life, declares American aren't enough interested in the bison to make it worth his while and that he intends now to live in Canada and breed cattle. This is a cross between the buffalo and cow which may be as large a percentage of one or the other as the breeder may see fit to have it.

The two countries benefitting mostly in Australia in consequence of the war are the United States and Japan. The latter has an advantage over the former so far as shipping facilities and freight rates are concerned. The regular lines of Japanese passenger and freight steamers plying between the United States, Japan and Australia afford facilities for promoting trade.

Ranchers of the McLucas (N. D.) school district have solved the problem of winter schooling for their boys and girls by converting the schoolhouse into a home for them from Monday morning until Friday night each week. Parents planned an addition to the school and fitted it up as sleeping and eating quarters for the children to live there in care of the teacher.

The present membership of the stock exchange in Sweden consists of 16 banks, eight banking firms or free brokers, and five brokers in the ordinary sense of the term. Substantial stock exchange buildings have been erected in both Stockholm and Goteborg. The annual volume of business amounts to about \$100,000,000.

From Japan comes the statement that the system of prison labor which Thomas Mott Osborne has instituted at Sing Sing was in use in that empire as long ago as 1650, prisoners choosing their own officials for the maintenance of order and vesting them with authority that extended even to life and death.

Newly formed ponds of water, cut off from all communication with rivers, brooks and lakes, are often found, of a sudden, to contain fish, the favorite explanatory theory being that fish eggs are carried thither by birds, either in their good or clinging to the legs of waders, the crane, heron, bittern and the like.

The prices of antimony in 1915 were probably the highest known since the metal became a regular article of commerce. The high prices were naturally reflected in far the largest production ever made in the United States, according to the United States geological survey's preliminary figures.

Robert Lathan Owen, junior United States senator from Oklahoma, is of Indian descent, his mother, as the senator relates in his biographical sketch printed in the congressional directory, having been "Naricissa Chisholm of the Cherokee nation."

Joseph Denise, of Dayton, Ohio, who claims to be the inventor of the trolley conductor of America, has ridden 721,000 miles in street cars, made 10 trips a day for 22 years, with 4,356,000 stops, and collected \$1,500,000 for his company in fares.

Miss Mary Hook, of Alpharetta, Ga., has a large hickory nut which has been a cherished possession of her family for six generations. It is covered with engravings made with a penknife in 1731 by William Kendrick, one of her ancestors.

A Brazilian doctor, in this country to study snake poisons and try to find an antidote for each, has already achieved one successful treatment, his patient being an employe of the Bronx zoological park, who was bitten by a rattlesnake had bitten.

During the 10 years preceding the outbreak of the war while Great Britain was paying off its debt, Germany and Austria-Hungary between them increased their national debts by the enormous sum of \$1,500,000,000.

Maine coast lobster fishermen have discovered that the lobster enters a lobster trap through the sense of sight and not through smelling the bait, and are now baiting the traps with fresh fish sealed in glass jars.

In order to encourage the sheep industry in Manitoba, the department of agriculture undertook the handling of this season's wool crop on a cooperative basis, which has resulted in a satisfactory market for the farmers.

Charlots worked on the principle of the taximeter were used in China in the fourth century.

NEBRASKA NEWS NOTES

COURT REFUSED TO DECIDE ON OLD INSANITY CLAIMS

Lincoln, Neb., March 6.—The protests of Stanton and Gage counties against paying the sums of \$2,113 and \$2,925, respectively, to the state of Nebraska for patients confined in state insane hospitals are being heard before the supreme court. The sum is claimed under an old statute. When the auditor and treasurer went over the books a few years ago they found most of the counties had not been paying for the support in the hospitals of persons from their districts, and a total of \$96,000 was found to be due. Nearly all of the counties, except Stanton and Gage, paid up. It is claimed by these protesting counties that the statute existed prior to the adoption of the 1875 constitution and was repealed by that act of the people. At that time the hospitals had no other means of support, and since then direct appropriations have been made that relieve the counties of the direct payments of \$3 a week provided by the old law, since they contribute their just share under the new one. The attorney general contends that Stanton county cannot take advantage of this, because a tax to pay this debt was once levied and was later turned into the general fund.

POOL ASKS HIMSELF TO GRANT PLACE ON BALLOT

Lincoln, Neb., March 6.—Charles W. Pool, of Hyannis, Grant county, has filed a request with Secretary of State Charles W. Pool that his name go up on the ballot which the secretary of state is instructed by law to make up, as a democratic candidate for secretary of state. Mr. Pool will not take any action on the matter until after the time for objections has expired.

Two different kinds of ballots will be presented for the use of voters at the coming primary. The law was changed with reference to those offices where the party designation is still retained so that the square will be at the left of the candidates' names, but the non-partisan judiciary law was not touched and the names on that separate ballot will have the square far off to the right. The change on the regular ballot was made so that the voter might make more certain that he is placing the cross in the right place.

There will be five or six ballots printed for the use of voters. The republicans, democrats, progressives, populists and socialists are certain to be represented, with the nonpartisan ballot also separate. The prohibitionists will have no ticket in order that the fight for the prohibitory amendment is not complicated by party troubles.

FARMERS MAKE FUSS OVER RAISE IN TELEPHONE RATE

Fairbury, Neb., March 6.—A mass meeting of rural patrons of the Lincoln Telegraph & Telephone company, and a committee from the Fairbury Commercial club was held in the court house to argue the matter of increased rates to rural subscribers. James A. Axtell, chairman of the committee, presided, and a large number of speeches were made.

Dan Kavanaugh, president of the Commercial club, made a speech in behalf of the Commercial club members, saying he thought the farmers were justified in resenting the increase in rates. Jefferson county farmers for over two months have bitterly fought the advance in rates, asserting that the company is not giving first-class service and that it failed to carry out the promises and rebuild its system in Jefferson county.

Considerable evidence was introduced to substantiate this assertion, as farm-tractors in parts of the county testified that the company had failed to carry out its contract to the letter.

O. R. Jones and H. D. Benson, prominent farmers of this county, recently appeared before the railway commission at Lincoln, protesting against the increase of rates to rural subscribers. Jefferson county farmers are willing to compromise on a straight \$1.25 rate.

COMMISSION INVESTIGATES CAUSE OF CAR SHORTAGE

Lincoln, Neb., March 6.—The state railway commission has wired Congressman Sloan, asking him to represent that body before the Interstate Commerce commission, next Monday, when a hearing will be had for the purpose of ascertaining the why and whereof of the existing car shortage. Nebraska has been hard hit for the reason that the farmers cannot get their stuff on the primary markets, and some local stipendials have remonstrated with Mr. Sloan to urge the interests of shippers. He is the father of a resolution introduced in congress prohibiting the shipment of war munitions until the car shortage is relieved, but the members of the commission say they have not adopted this theory. Nebraska grain shippers are 19,000 cars less during the season since the harvest than a year ago for that period.

COUNTY TREASURERS MUST MAKE MONTHLY SETTLEMENTS

Lincoln, Neb., March 6.—All county treasurers of Nebraska must remit state taxes collected monthly to the state treasurer, according to a ruling handed down today by the state supreme court. The decision was on the friendly mandamus suit, brought by State Treasurer Hall, against Treasurer W. R. Ure, of Douglas county, to test the former's ruling for monthly settlements. The court decision qualifies the ruling to the effect that the state treasurer must issue a duplicate receipt for the remittance, the receipt to be countersigned by the state auditor, a point for which Mr. Ure contended.

CONVICTION REGISTERED ON MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE

Lincoln, Neb., March 6.—William A. May, of Lincoln, man, charged with manslaughter, the victim being his wife, was convicted by the Lancaster county district court jury that tried his case. May did not take the stand on his own behalf. The state charged that while his wife was ill and suffering he beat her while drunk. The defense was that the woman died from blood poisoning.

Uruguay banks have gold reserves aggregating \$20,645,967.

RAWSON TO WASHINGTON

Washington, D. C., March 4.—State Chairman Rawson will be here Tuesday or Wednesday, and will be in active charge of the Cummins headquarters here for 10 days or two weeks. This was announced by Senator Kenyon, who returned from Iowa today, announcing the assignment as a temporary arrangement is taken here to indicate that Mr. Rawson still has some hope of landing the republican gubernatorial nomination, especially in case the decision rests with the convention.

More than 560 women are serving in the Russian army.

MITCHEL AND DAHLMAN IN CLASH AT ST. LOUIS

St. Louis, Mo., March 4.—Mayor John P. Mitchel, of New York, and James S. Dahlman, mayor of Omaha, clashed last night at a meeting in Mayor Kiels' office of the executive committee of mayors to outline plans for the national defense conference of mayors, which meets here today. Mayor Dahlman charged Mayor Mitchel with trying to "frame up" the conference when Mayor Mitchel attempted to read a typewritten statement outlining the purpose of the convention. The committee finally voted to allow Mayor Mitchel to read his statement and Mayor Dahlman said it was a "tame affair" after all and withdrew his objections.

EDGAR HOWARD AGAINST RULE BY LIQUOR INTERESTS

Lincoln, Neb., March 4.—Edgar Howard, Columbus editor, in accepting a filing placing him in the race as a candidate for lieutenant governor on the democratic ticket, declares that he "favors the people over the throw of the organized political hierarchy of liquor interests and promises to be, in the days to come, in constant opposition to their claim of divine right to rule Nebraska. He says: "I apply the whole course of the progressive democratic movement, its present advocacy of a preparedness program, which seems to be the forerunner of American militarism, and I shall feel it my duty to continue to plead with our democratic president to abandon a program which finds so much favor with the beneficiaries of war, and so little favor with the advocates of honorable peace."

Mr. Howard also declares in favor of state ownership of water power, saying that he "cannot believe that the great God in His infinite wisdom would create the people of Nebraska should be forever under bondage to the Philistine coal barons of Pennsylvania."

STATE ENGINEER CLAIMS BIG SAVING ON BRIDGES

Lincoln, Neb., March 4.—In a report to the state board of irrigation and highways, State Engineer Johnson says that state supervision of the building of state aid bridges, and co-operation with county boards in the erection of county buildings, has saved the people of the state over \$500,000 as compared with 1914. The figures he submits show that the cost of county bridge work has decreased 26 per cent and that of state bridge work 40 per cent. Over \$1,000,000 a year is spent in county buildings in Nebraska, and the state expends \$150,000. This saving has been accomplished through standardizing of bridge building, over 7,000 plans being furnished to counties in the past year by the state board. The state engineer has also taken a hand in the matter of bidding, making it clear that there has been proper competition.

ARTHUR C. WAKELEY TO SUCCEED JUDGE ENGLISH

Lincoln, Neb., March 4.—Arthur C. Wakeley has been appointed by Governor Morehead as judge of the district court at Omaha to succeed Judge James P. English, deceased. English was also an appointee of the governor, named when Judge Sutton resigned. Wakeley is a son of one of the pioneer lawyers of the state, and is a bar leader and also a democrat.

NORFOLK PETITIONERS STAND UP FOR DR. GUTTERY

Lincoln, Neb., March 4.—A petition signed by Mayor Friday and a large number of Norfolk business men was filed with the state board of control today asking the retention of Dr. Guttery as superintendent of the Norfolk hospital for the insane. Another petition of similar import came from the Women's club of that city.

YOUNG FARMER KILLED AT NICKERSON CROSSING

Fremont, Neb., March 4.—Iser Jensen, a farmer near Fontanelle, 33 years of age, was thrown from a wagon against a Northwestern freight train at Nickerson crossing when his team ran away. The team turned sharply. Jensen died late last night at a Fremont hospital. He was born and reared at Nickerson and leaves a wife and three small children.

EFFICIENCY OF NAVY IS PLEASING TO FLETCHER

Washington, D. C., March 3.—An encouraging report on the conditions and efficiency of the nation's sea forces was given the House naval committee today by Admiral Frank Fletcher, commander in chief of the Atlantic fleet. In individual fighting efficiency, Admiral Fletcher declared the dreadnaughts of the United States led the world, while in the skill of its officers and men the navy had no reason to fear comparison of that of any other power.

Describing some of the things the navy is doing in the light of lessons on the European war, the admiral said one ship of the fleet recently had hurled seven out of 42 huge projectiles through a target 2000 feet in range of eight to nine miles, or 16,000 to 18,000 yards. The longest ranges used in naval engagements of the European war thus far, he explained, were 16,000 to 17,000 yards.

DIES WITH DENIAL OF WIFE MURDER ON LIPS

Ossining, N. Y., March 3.—Walter Watson, of Brooklyn, was electrocuted at Sing Sing this morning for the murder of his wife a year ago. Watson, who protested his innocence, left a sealed envelope to be opened after his death. In it was found a faded flower and this note: "This envelope contains a flower from my dead wife's grave. Please bury it with me and let it be my breast. It is token of remembrance of the wife I always loved and may God rest our souls in peace."

Watson was separated from his wife at the time of the murder, which he was supposed to have committed while under the influence of drink. His son, Thomas, saw his father stab his mother with a table knife and assisted in his capture.

California produces 50,000 tons of refined salt yearly.

HUNDREDS FLEEING AS LEVEES ARE WEAKENED

New Orleans, March 3.—Apprehension was held here today for inhabitants about Torras and Bayou Sara, where levees last night were reported to be weakened by high water. At Torras a private protection levee, which guards the town, was reported weakening. Many persons are taking temporary refuge in the highlands.

Soapsuds forms a good fertilizer for bushes and young plants.

NEBRASKA NEWS NOTES

'WETS' REGARD NEVILLE AS VERY WEAK CHAMPION.

Lincoln, Neb., March 4.—Democrats belonging to the anti-Bryan faction are not hopeful of defeating C. W. Bryan with Keith Neville, the man whom the Hitchcock crowd has brought out as a "wet" candidate, and have started a movement to drag Governor Morehead into the contest. The governor has refused to be a candidate for governor again and also resisted the pressure of the Bryan folks to get in on their side as a candidate for senator. Prominent democrats have undertaken a letter writing and personal visitation campaign to get Morehead into the gubernatorial race, but he has not shown any signs of changing his mind. The fact that he did change it two years ago, after having emphatically declined to run, gives them hope that sufficient pressure can be brought to change it this year. The governor has told Crooks as a candidate for state treasurer, in addition to a desire to keep their party on the political map by having a ticket, there is a chance they don't want to miss of having the progressive amendment supporters turn to the progressive candidate for governor in the next election.

The progressives made good their threat to enter the state campaign by filing J. F. Hanson, of Fremont, as a candidate for governor and W. C. Crooks as a candidate for state treasurer. In addition to a desire to keep their party on the political map by having a ticket, there is a chance they don't want to miss of having the progressive amendment supporters turn to the progressive candidate for governor in the next election.

SQUATTER CLAIMS FILED SIX MILES OF NIOBRARA.

Niobrara, Neb., March 4.—J. W. Smith, W. C. Porter, Sophie Nippel and Alexander Brown, all from Niobrara, have squatted on government land on the Missouri river bottom, about six miles up the river from Niobrara. It is claimed that this land wasn't surveyed on account of high water at the time the government made its survey. There are several hundred acres of this land.

CAR SHORTAGE MODERATED AND WHEAT WILL MOVE.

Lincoln, Neb., March 4.—The Burlington Railroad company last evening notified the state railway commission that it would lift the embargo on wheat, and that it is now ready to accept that grain for shipment. For some time the road refused wheat shipments in Nebraska in order to care for more of the commission that within a short time 1,500 to 2,000 cars will be sent back to the grain carrying lines in western states.

CLAIMED BRUTAL TREATMENT CAUSED WOMAN'S DEATH

Lincoln, Neb., March 4.—William A. May is on trial in district court on the charge of manslaughter, the state seeking to prove that his wife's death was caused by his brutal treatment while she was intoxicated. The state expects to prove that May denied a woman physician sent by the city, entrance to the house; that later when the city physician came May ordered him out of the house declaring his wife was not sick and he was boss. While the doctor was out getting the police May attacked his wife. She never recovered. Mrs. May's sister was present and saw him rush at his wife with a chair, peating her with that and his fists. May's defense is that he did not beat his wife and that she died from blood poisoning following an operation for abortion. That she did not wish her husband to know of this and that it was desired by members of the family to have no physician called while he was at home.

PAROLED MAN NOT IN RUSH TO LEAVE PENITENTIARY

Lincoln, Neb., March 4.—It was almost necessary to get an order of the court to secure the absence of Samuel James, colored, from the state penitentiary. James has been serving an indeterminate sentence in state prison, and he was ordered released Wednesday on parole. Warden Fenton was absent from the city when Samuel was given his clothes and money. Samuel wanted to know when he would come back.

Possibly late in the afternoon, said the deputy. Whereupon Samuel sat down and declared he would wait till the warden came. And he did, although it was hours after he was told he was paroled. James is a graduate of the Tuskegee institute, and is going back there to go to work.

NEBRASKA AUTOMOBILES.

Lincoln, Neb., March 4.—According to the records of the secretary of state there are 56,241 automobiles owned in Nebraska. The secretary issues the licenses, and this is the total number he has issued. The number is possibly incomplete, as there are some whose licenses for the year past have not expired.

BRITAIN WOULD STOP TRADE WITH GERMANS

Cabinet Considers Prohibiting All German Imports After the War.

London, March 2.—The Daily News learns that the inner circle of the cabinet will recommend the incorporation in the budget of an announcement that German imports will be prohibited after the war and also that measures will be taken, probably in the nature of preferential duties, for the purpose of encouraging exports from the British colonies to the countries of the allies. No decision is likely to be reached in the matter, adds the newspaper, until it has been considered by the entire cabinet, as well as by the economic conference of the allies, the forthcoming conference of which Reginald McKenna, chancellor of the exchequer, announced in his speech at the Guild hall yesterday.

SWEDEN PUTS END TO FOREIGN PROPAGANDISTS

London, March 2.—The correspondent at Copenhagen, of the Central News, says the Swedish government has decided to prevent citizens of any belligerent country from addressing public gatherings in Sweden during the war. Official notification to that effect, he says, has been issued in Stockholm in a circular to the consuls of the neutral countries, and to Prof. Gilbert Murray, of Oxford university, and other foreigners to address them.

BREAK WITH AMERICA FATAL, SAYS GERMAN

Reichstag Member Declares Possibilities Should Cause Berlin to Hesitate.

Copenhagen, (via London), March 6.—Herr Naumann, member of the Reichstag, contributes an article entitled "Will America Join the Allies?" to the Schleswig newspaper Heindall, the organ of the Schleswig Danes, in which he says: "Our wish that the United States preserve its neutrality is easily comprehensible. We already have sufficient enemies and it is a great delusion to think, as some profess to do, that one more can make no difference. "Declaration of war against the United States would result in a fleet numbering, in 1913, 163 units with 1,531 guns, placing itself on the side of Great Britain and thereby increasing the possibility of an absolutely effective blockade. In addition, there is the American army, which, it is true, at present only numbers 90,000, which could be augmented quickly by general recruiting, for which the existing militia forms an excellent basis. Within six months the United States would have a formidable army.

"Our ships in American harbors and the increasing financial power of the United States would mean an incalculable part of the war, because America would finance all her allies for an unlimited period. The Germans have learned to assume superhuman burdens during the war, but we cannot shut her eyes to the endless sacrifices which the war with the United States would demand."

WILSON'S VICTORY PLEASES ENGLAND

Only Military Triumph Would Have Given British Press Greater Satisfaction—Praise President.

London, March 6.—Few things short of an actual military victory could have given the British press greater satisfaction than President Wilson's victory in the Senate. The Manchester Guardian remarks editorially that Germany, having failed to convince the United States, apparently will ignore sentiment in that country. It continues: "Germany has now defiantly assumed the line that she is within her rights and means to abide by the consequences. If American citizens lose their lives she will make no apology or promise of amendments. "The Guardian says it cannot imagine that Americans will accept such a reversion to absolute barbarism, and therefore regards the decision of the Senate as having the greatest significance.

The morning papers today devoted many columns to the review of the Washington under such head lines as "President Wilson's Great Victory by the Senate," "Half the Battle Won For President Wilson's Policy," and "Congress Shows Its Confidence in the President."

The Times editorially declares that the vote in the Senate in favor of tabling the resolution warning Americans off armed merchantment, is certain to exercise a strong influence on the voting in the House of Representatives.

TWENTY PERSONS KILLED BY EXPLOSION NEAR PARIS

Paris, March 4.—A detonation which was heard this morning in the northern part of Paris is now said to have been a serious explosion which occurred in a manufacturing establishment at St. Denis, one of the Paris suburbs. Later it was ascertained that the explosion occurred at Courneuve, near St. Denis, at the works called "Double Courneuve." Twenty persons were killed and a large number injured.

In parts the ramparts of the east fort were blown up. The cause of the disaster has not been ascertained. A quantity of explosives including hand grenades, were stored in this position.

Fire followed and there were further explosions although of less severity on account of the flames.

GUNMEN SAYS UNION STRIKERS HIRED HIM

Was to Receive \$100 Bonus and \$25 Per Week For Shooting Up Guards.

New York, March 6.—William Sherwood, arrested for the shooting of Bennie Weinstein, a guard employed by I. Kaplan & Sons, shirt waist manufacturers, confessed today according to the police, that he was employed to do the shooting by a shirt waist makers' union, the members of which are now on strike. Inspector Cray, head of the detective bureau, says that Sherwood stated that he was offered a "contract" by the union under which he was to receive \$100 and to be put on the payroll at \$25 a week in return for his services in "shooting up" the Kaplan guards. "Weinstein and seven other guards were escorting 100 girls to the Kaplan factory yesterday, when four men opened fire upon them. Weinstein was shot in the back and is in a serious condition.

AMERICAN CONSUL KELLEY AT ROME IS FOUND DEAD

Rome, (via Paris), March 4.—William F. Kelley, the American consul here, was found dead in a chair shortly before his breakfast hour today. Death was probably due to heart disease. The emerald improves in color by exposure to light. Pearls kept in darkness lose their luster, but regain it on exposure to the sun.

HOUSE POSTPONES FINAL ACTION ON ARMED SHIP ISSUE

White House Issues Denial That President Wilson Contemplates Resigning From Office.

BRYAN SUDDENLY BOBS UP

Lower Branch of Congress Will Not Reach Vote on Warning Resolution Until Tuesday.

GERMANY REGARDS SITUATION GRAVE

London, March 4.—A message to the Exchange Telegraph company from Zurich says: "German newspapers publish wireless messages from Washington emphasizing the gravity of the German-American situation. "The Frankfurt bourse, which invariably reflects news affecting German high finance, yesterday ended in a condition of panic."

Washington, March 6.—William Jennings Bryan came to town today to fulfill a lecture engagement here tonight. Administration leaders speculated widely over whether Mr. Bryan's coming had anything to do with his delay on voting on the armed ship issue in the House and the decision of the leaders there to postpone action until Tuesday at least.

Mr. Bryan said his coming here at this time had nothing to do with the armed ship controversy now in progress between the congress and the president. "I expect to leave tonight for New York. My lecture was arranged for weeks ago. I have no engagements to see any congressmen and do not expect to see any."

News of Bryan's arrival caused a flurry on the House floor. Representative Bailey, democrat, his close friend, met him, and Bailey said they discussed the warning resolution.

Deny Active Part. While Mr. Bailey insisted that Mr. Bryan would take no active part in the fight, administration leaders saw in his presence cause for concern. The interest was further aroused when it was learned that Mr. Bryan expects to return here tomorrow and remain until Monday night, when he speaks in Wilmington, Del.

Administration leaders expressed confidence that no influence that Mr. Bryan might bring to bear would defeat the president's determination. Mr. Bailey said he assured Mr. Bryan that at heart there was an overwhelming majority favorable to the warning resolution, but that he made no prediction as to what the vote would be.

Washington, March 6.—Aroused by the publication of the story yesterday that President Wilson, because of the strain of the foreign situation, was considering resigning from office, the White House today issued this formal statement:

"When Secretary Tumulty's attention was called to the story yesterday in certain papers that the president had resigned, or was considering resigning, he said: "An American newspaper that would publish a story of that kind in a situation like the one which now confronts America, dishonors itself."

Next Move Tuesday. The next step in Secretary Wilson's fight to dispose of the armed ship agitation in congress has been postponed until Tuesday.

At an early conference today, administration leaders in the House decided not to insist on a vote today. This afternoon the administration will meet to frame a rule to table the McLomere resolution to warn Americans off the armed ships of European belligerents. The rule will be brought in with the first business Tuesday, when the administration forces plan to dispose of it by a substantial majority. The foreign affairs committee already has agreed on the resolution.

Strong Measure Framed. Administration forces plan that the action in the House shall give no room for doubts of the decisive character of the sentiment in congress. They plan that the action to table the McLomere resolution will include a declaration that the president shall handle diplomatic affairs, without congressional interference. The leaders are confident they have the votes to make their victory complete and undisputed.

Many Out of Town.

Leaders explained that the postponement was agreed upon because of the absence of so many members on weekend trips. Many left yesterday under the impression, it was said, that the House session today, which began at 11 o'clock was to end at noon and would consider only claim bills. Administration officials said today that practically all senators who voted yesterday to table the Gore resolution, were voting for the president's policy, and would the House fail to vote to uphold the president in decisive form the fight might be carried back to the Senate for a direct vote.

'Gentleman's Agreement.'

Majority Leader Kitchin soon after noon began notifying members that they would not be needed to vote until next Tuesday at the earliest.

The conference adjourned with no formal action, except a decision to hold a rules committee meeting at 2 o'clock today. A so-called gentleman's agreement was made not to have a vote before Tuesday.

Secretary Lansing announced today that the appendices to the German memorandum regarding armed merchant ships were on board the steamship Rotterdam, due in New York Sunday.

Members of the Iowa delegation in the House held a meeting of an informal character this afternoon and discussed the international situation.