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TEXT OF AUSTRIAN

February 29.

to the representatives of neutral

them from hostile ships converted

into auxiliary cruisers and to serve

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British Warships Take Offensive.

Experiences gained in the present war

show that a considerable number of

today communicated to neutral states.

instructions have been found aboard

British steamers which prove that the

British government itself incited its

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Prisoner for Every

Man in His Command

EL PASO, Tex., Feb. 11.-Francisco

Villa is believed to be moving toward

Madera, Chihuahua, according to official

reports today to General Gavira, com-

mandant at Juarez, General Gavira said

his informant reported Villa located be-

tween Las Cruces and Namiquipa, many

raties west of his customary haunts in

An American arriving today, declared

Villa Wants Woman

exclusively for defense.

enemy warships.

Old Abe.

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LANE SUGGESTED

IN CONGRESS BRINGS APPRECIATION YOTE Flame of War May Extend to United States Despite All Efforts to

House War Committee Adopts Resolution Thanking Wilson for Not Insisting on Having Own Way.

NEW NOTE OF CO-OPERATION Representative Kahn, Ranking Republican Member of Body,

Offers Motion. GARRISON'S GOING CLARIFTES

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11 .- A new note of harmony and co-operation on length. national defense problems was struck in the house military committee today as a direct result of the resignain the adoption of a resolution declaring the committee's appreciation of the confidence President Wilson reposed in it and in the senate committee as disclosed in his correspondence with Mr. Garrison.

The nonpartisan character of the feeling was emphasized by the fact that the resolution was offered by Representative Kahn of California, ranking republican member of the

Congress Has Own Way. Members of both the congressional committees declared that the war secretary's withdrawai had brought out sharply the president's desire that congress should work out its army problems In the ight of its own best judgment, despite his personal preference for the continental army scheme advocated by tr. Garrison and the army war college. The net result, they agreed, was a clariside that had heretofore been counted to us.

tive virtually all of the plans of the and to get into the position which it federalization of the National Guard will to or not. be sought as a substitute for the con-

tinental army plan. ng of the measures were taken today States." by both house and senate committees Both will take up the work Monday and it is planned to hold all-day sessions whenever the husiness of the two houses

Will Be Compromise. Present indications are that the house bill will lay its stress upon provisions that disaster might have been so pro-designed to federalize the National Guard, longed that it would have ben impossible while the senate committee's main effort for the United States to occupy the powill be to go into the regular army angles of preparedness' plans. The final measures sent to the president for his signature will be a compromise, it is thought, each house being willing to accept the judgment of the other to large extent in its own particular field. The house bill, it is expected, will provide for payment of National guardsmen who comply with all regulations laid down by congress on a basis sufficiently liberal insure the recruiting of approximately 60,000 men, the ultimate size of the proposed continental army. To make certain the availability for federal use in time of war or great emergency of all men who participate in this payment, the plan contemplates authorizing the president to

draft them into a volunteer army. Members of the committee are virtually inanimous in the opinion that congress such a measure and that it can be so formulated as to withstand any attack through the courts.

of Broad Character. The system of regulation contemplated is of a broad character, designed to provide for the training and discipline of the guardamen in peace times in a way that will insure efficient organization for volunteer war service. Only the administration of the law would be left with the War department. It is proposed also to provide under these regulations for the co-ordination of enlistment periods, physical standards and the examinations which officers appointed by state authorities must pass, for an adequate reserve sys- fruits. (Continued on Page Two, Column Two.)

The Weather



Comparative Local Record. 1916, 1915, 1914, 1913, Lowest yesterday. Mean temperature Precipitation Temperature and precipitation depar-tures from the normal:

tures from the normal:

Normal temperature 23

Excess for the day 1

Total deficiency since March1 28

Normal precipitation 63 inch

Deficiency for the day 63 inch

Total rainfall since March1 29.64 inches

Deficiency since March 1 6.65 inch

Deficiency for cor. period, 1314 1.56 inches

Deficiency for cor. period, 1313 5.87 inches Reports from Stations at 7 P. M.

Temp. High-Rain-7 p. m. est. fall Station and State of Weather. Davenpert, cloudy....
Denver, clear.....
Denver, clear.....
Des Moines, rain...
Dedge City, cloudy...
Inder, clear...
North Platte, cleudy...
ymaha, cloudy... Puchle, partly cloudy. Rapid City, clear. Salt Lake City, cloudy. eridan, cloudy.... fux City, cloudy... T indicates trace of precipitation.

L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster.

PRESIDENT'S FAITH WILSON'S MESSAGE TWO CRUISERS TO TRADE BOARDS

Prevent It.

PRAISES THE RESERVE SYSTEM Berlin Official Statement Claims

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.-Delegates to the annual convention of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States left for their homes from President Wilson, the outstanding feature of which was his determination to keep the United States out of the European conflict, although he declared that the nation SOME NAMES NOT UPON ROLL merely held that trouble at arm's

neutrality at the annual banquet of claims that a British cruiser, the the chamber, which was a conclud- Arabia, has been sunk by a German tion of Secretary Garrison of the ing feature of a three days' conven- torpedo boat craft and another Brit-War department. It found expression tion. The president also spoke of ish cruiser torpedoed. The British ofthe need of a real scientific tariff ficial press bureau denies this. board and a merchant marine.

"It is a cruel thing," said the president, quarters, that we have kept out of this that the names of the new boats of war simply because we wanted to keep out of trouble and simply because we wanted to profit by the trouble of others. Out by the admiralty because of war and yet misunderstandings for the time conditions. being are not to be reckoned as against the consciousness that we must ourselves hold that we have pursued the right and only serviceable course. I am not afraid of the slow verdict of history with regard to the neutrality of the United States, and I believe that we are justified in exercising every degree of patience in making it clear what our position is and how sincerely we are determined not to allow this quarrel to

War May Spread to America. "I have only this to say, though we hold this trouble at arms length and four mine-sweeping vessels, three of keep or attempt to keep our own judg- which have returned safetly." fication of the congressional atmosphere ments cool, but the rest of the world and the assurance of support for the is hot and it may be that any time withbills that will be drafted from elements out our co-operation and without our og both the democratic and republican ability to stop it the flame may extend

against the measures.

In substance, it is believed the bills unifed States has been put into a position to mobilize its financial resources War department with the exception that must at last get into, whether it wants

"If only we can keep this great pation at peace, there is an infinite prospect of Final steps toward beginning the draft- happy prosperity before the United

> Favors Reserve System. The president spoke of the federal re-

serve law, saying: will permit. The house committee happened if our banking system had it brought to a close today public hearings on army plans:

A property of the busicing system had it at the outset of this war been the clumsy and antiquated thing that it was three "When you reflect what might have pears ago, you will realize that not only nity and eggress regrot for the partition might we not have second disaster, but might we not have escaped disaster, but

Woman Who Was Invalid for Half Century is Dead

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.-Miss Millie Fancher, who celebrated her "golden jubilee" as an invalid eight days ago, died today at her home in Brooklyn. Miss Fancher was known to thousands of people all over the world through the extraordinary correspondence she built up during the half century of her invalidism. Although bedridden and only able to move her right arm, she worked unceasingly at knitting and embroldering has full constitutional authority to enact and is said to have used up 100,000 pounds

of worsted. In 1866, when Miss Fancher was 17 years old and noted for her beauty, she was thrown from her horse and terriby injured. A year later she was the victim of a street car accident which deprived her of the use of all her limbs except her right arm. For nine years she rewhich period her friends insisted she was clairvoyant. It was in these years that she built up her correspondence. dictating a total of 6,900 letters.

During the fifty years of her imprisonent in a sick room Miss Fancher's nourishment was the juice of

Bullet Which Slew Woman Not from Gun Found at Her Side

WINTERSET, In., Feb. 11 -The revolver bullet found in the brain of Mrs. Ethel Meyer, slain wife of Fred Meyer, weighed only about half of what a bullet from a 28-caliber revolver should weigh according to testimony of three witnesses today at the trial of Mrs. Ida Meyer. aged 60, on a charge of complicity in the murder of her daughter-in-law.

The mother-in-law and the husband allege that Mrs. Meyer committed suicide with a .28-caliber revolver found beside the bony.

According to testimony given by Captain C. W. Akin of the local National Guard company the bullet which caused the young woman's death could not possibly have been of .38-caliber.

Ice Jam Breaks and Great Flood Threatens Portland

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 11.-A big fee jam in the Columbia river above The Dulles, Orc., has broken. The river has risen seven and a half feet in twentyfour hours, and an immense body of water is sweeping toward the confluence of the Columbia and Willamette rivers near Portland. The Willamette aircadt is on flood and if the two flood creats meet, disaster is inevitable. The Willia-T mette will be backed up into Portland and adjacent territory.

OF THE BRITISH NAVY ARE SUNK

One Warship Sunk by Torpedo Boat and Another is Torpedoed.

today, carrying with them a message THIS IS DENIED BY LONDON

LONDON, Feb. 11,-A Berlin offi-The president was speaking on cial statement received heretoday

The British cruiser Arabia is not listed in the current naval publica-"to have it supposed, as, it is in many tions. This is explained by the fact the British navy have not been given

The German statement was to the effect that the German torpedo craft met British cruisers off the Dogger bank on Thursday night and sank the new cruiser Arabis and torpedoed a second cruiser.

In giving out the German message for publication the press bureau appended the following:

"The British admiralty states that the cruisers above mentioned were

Administration Has Won Its Battle in Nicaragua Pact Case

WASHINGTON, Feb 11 .- President Wilson practically won his fight for ratification of the Nicaraguan treaty in the executive session of the senate today. Some of its most vigorous opponents said the administration had won enough votes to command the necessary two-thirds and they predicted its ratification tomorrow. The administration opponents, while they conceded they expected the Nicaraguan convention would so through, re-iterated they would prevent ratification of the Colombian treaty to pay an indem-

Nicaragua treaty proposed to pay Nicaragua \$1,000,000 for interoceanic canal rights and naval cases in the Bay of sive Assaults on Lost Positions Protests against the naval base feature have been made by Salvador, which contends it would violate the sovereignty of Honduras.

Assurances to Costa Rica, Salvador and Honduras that none of their rights will be violated by the United States acquiring a naval base ni the Boy of Fonseca will be incorporated in the ratification resolution on the Nicaraguan treaty which the senate is expected to pass tomorrow.

The ratification resolution has been drawn to express also assurances that the United States holds the Pan American nations which have protested regard- south of the Somme. ing their rights on the Boy of Fonseca in the highest esteem and will voice an earnest hope for continued friendly re

Woman Found in Woods Near Chicago Died from Poison lost positions.

CHICAGO, Feb. 11.-An autopsy permained in a trance-like condition, during formed late last night by the coroner's physician on the body of Miss Marion Frances Lambert, the 18-year-old high school student, which was found last night in a wooded section of Lake Forest, Ill., served to but deepen the mystery surrounding the death of the girl. The body was found by the girl's father.

A statement issued by the coroner today said that enough poison had been found in the girl's stomach to cause death. The nature of the poison has not been deter-

Detectives today continued their efforts to find the man who accompanied Miss Lambert into the woods. His footprints were found paralleling hers to the spot where the body was found. From there the tracks led to the tracks of the Chi-Cago & Northwestern railroad, where the trail was lost.

Police officers have been unable to find anything that might furnish a motive to support either muder or sucicide theo-

Colonel Q. R. King, Indian Fighter, is Dead at St. Paul

ST PAUL, Minn., Feb. 11.-Puneral arrangements were completed today for Colonel Josias R. King, civil war veteran and Indian fighter, who died of heart trouble at his home late yesterday, 54 years of age. Burial will take place here tomorrow. Minnesota historians assert King was the first to answer a esident Lincoln's call for volunteers for the civil war, enlisting promptly when he received information from a private dispatch sent to Minnesola by the state's governor, who was in the president's office when the call

FRENCH FAIL TO Neutrals Must Not Board Belligerent Merchant Vessels

German Report Says Four Succes-Near Vimy Repuled.

ATTEMPTS ON SOMME ALSO FAIL

BERLIN, Feb. 11 .- (Via London.) - The repulse of four succes- also to treat such vessels when in their sive attacks made by the French in harbors as warships, granting them only efforts to recapture trenches they had lost northwest of Vimy, in the Artois, was announced today by that the copy of the British admiralty governments announceing the de-German army headquarters. The instructions concerning operations against cision of Austria-Hungary to treat French also falled in assaults to the

The official statement says: "Northwest of Vimy the French. after artillery preparations lasting for hours, attempted four times to fly false colors. recapture the trenches they had lost. All their attacks failed. South of the Somme they were also unable to recapture any part of the two

"On the Alsne and in the Champagne there have been local artillery duels of a lively character.

"One of our captive balloons escaped without its crew and drifted over the enemy lines near Vailly. "Eastern theater: North of Lake

Drisviaty, the advance of a strong Russian division was repulsed. "Balkan theater: There is nothing to report."

DOCK LABORERS REFUSE TO LOAD EXPORT FLOUR

MELBOURNE, Australia, Peb. 16 --(Via London, Feb. 11.)-The dock laborers here have refused to handle flour for export shipment, until the local price of bread is reduced.

EMPEROR OF RUSSIA HAS LEFT FOR FRONT

LONDON, Feb. 11 .- A Petrograd dispatch to Reuter's Telegram company come to Des Moines at once for the mar says that Emperor Nicholas yesterday riage ceremony. left for the front.

Arrested for Wearing Loud Garb, and Thus He Learns of Fortune

seen for this Dalrym, ie would not have the heir. Young Dalrymple ran away from his ten days ago.

the Santa Clara ranch district. CHICAGO, Feb. 11.-Keith Edward home at Siloam Springs, Ark., in 1988. Dalrympie wore flashy clothing and for His father prospered in the oil business that according to reports at Namiquipa, this reason was taken to the police and moved to Port Allegheny, Pa., where Villa had about 100 men in his immediate station by detectives today. Had it not he died four years ago. The runaway was hand. The American, who left western Chihuanua about February 3, said as

as warships has been received with the

heartiest approval. The press of all par-

ties expresses the belief that neutrals will

now be compelled to avoid all merchant

the usual right to a limited stay for tak-

Captain I. Persius says in the Tageblatt

submarines will open the eyes of neutrals

in regard to merchantmen armed "for de-

fence 'only," and that neutrals will treat

them as warships. The new procedure,

aubmarine, although there is still the

possibility that Germany's enemies will

The Kreuze Zeitung asserts the memo-

randum opens the way to a settlement of

the Lusitania case, and also abolishes the

possibility of protecting hostile ships by

placing Americans on board. It refers to

the flying of false colors and continues:

"America and other neutrals permit this

deceptive use of their colors. No matter

whether they cannot or will not stop it,

they must bear the responsibility. If we

which are armed as belligerents, we can

not stop because a neutral flag is used

Who Eloped Are

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

Telegram -- When A. C. Lindblom re-

turned from Omah today with his daugh-

ter, Miss Linnes Lindblom, who was

taken into custody there after her elope-

ment with Ardis Fenner, roller skating

teacher, he called Chief of Detectives

McDonald over the telephone and told

him he had consented to the marriage of

the young clopers. He asked Chief Mc-

Donald to wire Omaha to release Fenner

who languishes in jail, and tell him to

DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 11.-(Special

To Be Reunited

Roller Skaters

are to treat all enemy merchantmen

he says, will make the way easier for the

ing on coal, etc.

nen of nations at war with Germany, and

known that he was heir to \$600,000 and After leaving home young Dalrymole that time, Villa sent word he was comthat the police of the country had been went to New York, where he worked in ing to Namiquipa to shoot deserters and on the lookout for him for four years to department stores. Later he worked at that he wanted one weman captive for Buffalo and Detroit. He came to Chicago every man of his command. The demand,

according to the American, aroused the inhabitants and Mexicans and Americans, armed and organised to defend Deadline 9 o'Clock Tonight Phone Tyler themselves and homes. Previously it was in western Chihuahua. According to the 1000 or Send Your Want-Ad to The Bee. American, Villa was anserted by the local Control of the Sec. Induced from 1,000 to about 100. American. Villa was angered by the num-

CABINET CHAIR Rumor that Secretary of Interior Will Succeed Secretary of War Garrison, Who Resigned. OTHER NAMES ARE CONSIDERED

FOR THE VACANT

Man Selected Will Not Be from New Jersey or the South and Will Be a Democrat.

ADAMS MAY ENTER CABINET

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11 .- President Wilson plans to consider the selection of a successor to former Secretary Garrison in seclusion during a week end trip on the Mayflower down the Potomac river and Chesapeake bay. He left late tonight, after a dinner given in his honor by Postmaster General Burleson.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11 .- The cabinet met today with a vacant chair for the first time since Mr. Bryan's resignation. The departure of Mr. Garrison, with its possible effects on the administration and the preparedness program, was discussed thoroughly.

While Secretary Lane was being considered in official circles as a likely choice, it was understood that the president was considering the names of two or three other men and will not make an appointment before weighing their qualifications carefully.

The president has already made up his mind to appoint a democrat to the place. It was said in well informed circles that he will not be from New Jersey nor from the wouth.

Other Names Discussed. Former Governor Walsh of Massachusetts, Secretary Houston, Former Governer Harmon of Ohio, Former Mayor Baker of Cleveland were added to the names being discussed. Former Governor Adams of Colorado was being talked of as a possible successor to Secretary Lane. It was understood, however, that at least one of the men being considered by the president has not been mentioned publicly for the position of ecretary of war. Reports that there might be other

resignations from the cabinet were met idifference in Methods.

Supporters of the president declared that he and Mr. Garrison agreed on the BERLIN, Feb. 11.—(Via London.)—The German government's decision to treat

Armed Merchant Ships Will Be and Philippine questions, but differed on the methods of carrying out their polynomers are a supering the methods of carrying out their polynomers.

The president, his friends said, worked with congressional leaders on the cur-STATUS INCONSISTENT rency, tariff and other bills and through making some concessions was able to get bills which he finally approved. He VIENNA, Feb. 10 .- (Via London, still feels that it is best to pursue the Feb. 11.) - The text of the memosame policy in dealing with the army randum communicated by the Aus- and Philippine questions. tro-Hungarian foreign office today Technically, the War department today

was without a head, although Major General Hugh Scott, chief of staff of the army, was the ranking officer. Under an existing executive order Genas warships armed merchantmen of eral Scott in the temporary absence on

countries at war with this nation, is assistant secretary would become acting secretary. The judge advocate general "It is not unknown to the governtoday decided that neither Mr. Garrier ments of neutral powers that the absent and therefore the order was with-British admiralty in the course of out effect. A new executive order designation the year 1913 caused a number of nating General Scott as secretary ad large British liners to be armed. The interim was immediately drawn up. The first lord of the admiralty declared form the duties of secretary of war for order authorizes General Scott to perin the House of Commons on March a period not to exceed thirty days. 23, 1913, that the armament of the "Congress will proceed to the completion

vessels in question was only to proof a military program without regard to tect them from dangers threatening said Chairman Chamberlain of the senate military affairs committee today after a meeting of the committee. The committee decided to hegin next Monday the framing of the army reorganization

GARRISON IS OUT OF POLITICS

British merchantmen used the guns in-Former Secretary Will Not Discuss stalled aboard against hostile warships and not solely with the intention to es-Act from Political Angle. cape legitimate exercise of the prize NEW YORK, Feb. 11 .- Lindsey M. Garright, but also to attack and destroy ison, former secretary of war, announced here today that he intended to "As is evident from the memorandum (Continued on Page Two, Column Four.) which the imperia. German government

The Day's War News

THE WESTERN WAR FRONT 1 still the central field of military interest. Lutest reports show no aigns of lessening in the intensely of the violent struggle which has been going on for several days in the vicinity of Vimy and Neuville, near the Belgia nborder, while further south along the line there are signs of a reawakening activ-Ity on the part of both German

IN BELGIUM, according to unofficial reports, there has been an artillery battle in progress during the last ten days near Ypres, but the opinion continues to prevail among military observers that the Germans have decided to postpone their predicted offensive until more favorable weather prevails. They are reported very busy, however, in strengthening their lines. IN RUSSIA the artillery play on the Riga-Dvinsk front is notably heavy in character, but the infantry does not appear to have been active. In Volhynia the Russians report a forward movement in the capture of a bill between the fortresses of Royno and Lutsk, but the latest Austrian reports claim that Emperor Nichalas' troops have been held in their old positions in finitela and on the Besserables

frontier.