

CAUCUS ENDORSES PHILIPPINE BILL

Thirty-Five Democrats Vote Against Resolution, and Nearly that Many Won't Be Bound.

DRY AMENDMENT KNOCKED OUT

WASHINGTON, April 28.—House democrats in caucus tonight approved by a vote of 140 to 35 the senate's Philippine independence bill, but agreed to permit an amendment in the house to the prohibition section of the measure. Twenty-eight members announced that they would not be bound by the action of the caucus.

As soon as the agricultural appropriation bill which is to be passed tomorrow or Saturday is out of the way, the Philippine bill will be taken up in the house for passage. The democrats opposing it will have the support of the republicans. Those who voted against the resolution declaring that the bill should be passed by the house, were:

Representatives Allen, Beckes, Bruchner, Carey, Casey, Conroy, Dale, Dewalt, Dooling, Egan, Estepinal, Fallaw, Fitzgerald, Flynn, Gallagher, Gailley, Griffin, Hart, Hubert, Isen, Label, McAndrews, McDermott, Maher, Olney, Overmeyer, Patton, Kelly, Riordan, Sherley, Smith of New York, Steele of Pennsylvania, Taggart and Van Dyke.

Of the thirty-five, the following did not absolve themselves from the caucus pledge to vote for the bill: Representatives Casey, Dewalt, Liebel, Overmeyer, Kelly, Steele, Taggart and Van Dyke. Representative Ogleby of New York who did not vote also absolved himself.

Galena Celebrates Grant's Birthday

GALENA, Ill., April 28.—Dr. John Wesley Hill of New York City, general secretary of the World's Club league, delivered the annual oration upon the occasion of General Grant's birthday here yesterday afternoon. Visitors were present from throughout the state. The city was decorated with the national colors and the entire day was devoted to a fitting celebration of the anniversary of the "Silent Soldier" by the citizens of this city, which was his home.

Among other things Dr. Hill said: "Today civilization is at the parting of the ways. Some lessons are striking and imperative: First, the lesson of preparedness. There is more than an imminent danger. Preparedness is necessary to national safety, peace and efficiency. So long as force is the order of the day, we must conform to that order. Self-preservation is the first law of nature. That nation which cannot defend itself is an imbecile, which dare not be a coward. A flag which does not symbolize the dignity and power of nationality at home and abroad, upon every land and every sea, is a mere gala day banner lacking the authority which commands obedience, the quality which challenges respect, and the spirit which inspires devotion.

"Let it be known, however, that militarism is not our goal, that while we are obliged under the present order to march toward a higher ideal, viz., the establishment of an international tribunal for the adjudication of all international disputes. To accomplish this we must first reach something of the spiritual vision of Grant, a vision of the horror of war, and a true conception of the value of peace built upon righteousness and seasoned with self-respect.

"This ideal may be far in the future, but it is none the less real."

Aeroplanes Drop Bombs on Russ Ship

BERLIN, April 28.—(By Wireless to Tuckerton.)—An official report issued today by the German admiralty announces that three German aeroplanes yesterday dropped thirty-one bombs on the Russian battleship Blava. Several of the bombs are said to have taken effect and fire on the battleship was distinctly observed.

CHINESE COOLIES TO TAKE PLACE OF RUSSIAN WORKERS

(Correspondence of the Associated Press.) HARBIN, April 28.—The Russian government requires about 20,000 more coolies to replace men who are serving in the army and by arranging with the Chinese contractors at Harbin to supply these workmen. One interpreter is to be employed for every 100 coolies. The coolies are needed for dock work in Vladivostok along the Russian railways, in the mines and in agriculture.

The National Capital.

Friday, April 28, 1916. The Senate. Not at home. Conference on army reorganization bill continued at work. Required discussion of rural credits bill. Sharp exchanges on branding nomination resulted from a resolution by Senator Austin that republicans were dissatisfied against confirmation. Adjourned at 3:31 p. m. to begin Saturday.

The House.

Met at 11 a. m. Conference on appropriations bill continuing at work. Conference on the bill for grain grading. Federal warehouses for agricultural products and land control. Conference on bill passed by conference report on bill passed by both houses. The number of copies of the bill was ordered. Passed House bill on railway employees' hours of labor. Lame duck session. Bill was voted upon. Agricultural bill was introduced. Adjourned at 3:31 p. m. to 11 a. m. Monday.

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Von Bernstorff Thinks Kaiser Will Meet Views of Washington

WASHINGTON, April 28.—Dispatches received at the German embassy today from the Berlin foreign office indicate that Germany will attempt to meet the American demands for the immediate abandonment of its present practices in submarine warfare. The nature of the proposals was not disclosed. Count Bernstorff has not been advised whether the suggestions he recently made to his government at the invitation of the foreign office have been adopted.

AMERICAN ARMY CHIEFS REACH EL PASO FOR MEET

(Continued from Page One.) and the minister of war stepped down upon the platform, where the official welcoming party pressed about him. The minister wore his field uniform of gray and a campaign hat of broad brim. General Obregon has only one arm, his right arm having been torn away by a Villa's shell at Calaya. After a conference with the military authorities and civil authorities in the outskirts house, General Obregon met the newspaper men, but he added but little to the information already given out on his journey north. The minister of war said he did not care to talk about the conference. Asked what he would do in case the American troops were kept in Mexico, General Obregon replied through an interpreter: "That is a matter which we hope to arrange in conference."

"It has been said that the American government would like to keep the troops in Chihuahua more as a guard for the frontier so as to help the Carranza government," was asked. "I do not wish to say anything about that as it might be prejudicial to the success of the conference," replied the minister of war.

Thinks Villa Still Alive. General Obregon in reply to a question said that he thought the de facto government had sufficient troops to take care of Villa and his bands without aid from the United States. "General Obregon, do you think Villa is dead?" "I do not believe Villa is dead," was the quick reply, "but I am positive that he is wounded and suffers for lack of medical attention, and therefore has small chance to be personally active again in any campaign."

"Have you sufficient troops to capture Villa?" was the next question. "Yes," answered Obregon, "that will be easy. His bands are broken up and it is now only a question of hunting one man, Villa with a few of his followers, I believe, is near the boundary of Sinaloa and Sonora."

General Obregon declined to talk about the financial situation in Mexico, saying that he was a military man and those questions should only be considered by the minister of finance. He laughed loudly when asked about the report of friction between the first chief and himself. "There never has been any friction between General Carranza and myself and there is less reason now than ever for any friction," remarked General Obregon as he closed the talk.

General Obregon will arrange some of the details for the conference today. He would not announce where the conference would take place. After reviewing the Carranza troops, General Obregon motored around Juarez. The accident to the third section of General Obregon's train occurred between Ahumada and San Jose. Two cars overturned and two passengers were injured. General Gutierrez was not hurt. A wrecking crew backed the cars upon the track again and the train is expected here late today.

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25c Castoria, 10c
50c Doan's Kidney Pills, 25c
10c Pompanin Massage Cream, 40c
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Admiralty Announces Sinking of a Submarine Off East Coast and Capture of Eighteen Men.

TRAWLER SINKS OTHER RAIDER

LONDON, April 28.—A German submarine was sunk off the east coast yesterday, it was announced officially today. Eighteen men on the submarine were captured. The destruction of a German submarine by a British trawler off the north coast of Scotland is described by Dutch newspapers received here. According to accounts, the submarine had halted two Dutch steamers, when a trawler appeared and killed with its first shot four men who were standing on the deck of the submarine. The trawler then sank the submarine with a second shot. The entire action lasted less than ten minutes.

The papers say the submarine was of the latest and largest type and carried a crew of sixty, all of whom were lost. Steamship Industry Sunk. The British steamship industry has been sunk by a submarine, which left the crew of the vessel in open boats 130 miles from land. The crew was picked up by the American liner Finland. The Finland sailed from Liverpool for New York on Wednesday.

The industry was a 400-foot boat of 4,044 tons gross, built in Belfast in 1915 and owned in Liverpool. It was last reported as having sailed on March 17 from Newport News for St. Nazaire, France. British Guard Ship Sunk. BERLIN, April 28.—(Via London.)—The admiralty announced today that on the night of April 27-28 German naval forces destroyed a large British guard vessel on Dogger bank and brought in a fishing steamer as a prize.

Experts Assail and Defend the Traffic in War Munitions

WASHINGTON, April 28.—America's munition traffic was analyzed by eminent legal authorities today before the American Society of International Law. It was both assailed and defended. Prof. James W. Garner of the University of Illinois said German authorities were among those who had most vigorously defended the right of a neutral nation to sell munitions to a belligerent. "The practice has uniformly been in accordance with the rule which recognizes an entire consistency between the sale of arms and the obligations of neutrality," said Mr. Garner. "The assertion that Germany prohibited sale and exportation of arms to Spain during the Spanish-American war is without foundation."

"That munition traffic presents extraordinary and preposterous anomalies was stated by Prof. Phillip Marshall Brown of Princeton University, citing the neutral right to sell guns and shrapnel, but not war supplies. "The interests of neutrals," said Prof. Brown, "when they clash with the pressing necessities of belligerents sink into relative insignificance. The United States is being made to realize that neutrals must in some instances either endure considerable interference with their interests or else fight."

"Belligerent interests take precedence over neutral interests. It is impossible for a neutral in varying fortunes of war to remain friends of both belligerents. It cannot observe a 'benevolent' neutrality and remain truly neutral, ignominious neutrality will be treated with just contempt as the refuge of a timid, selfish people."

Legislator Asks for Pass and How to Vote On Rail Bills

NASHVILLE, Tenn., April 28.—Letters to the Louisville & Nashville and Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis railroads requesting passes for judges, legislators, witnesses and newspapers were read today into the record of the Interstate Commerce Commission's investigation of corrupt practices by these carriers. Carey Williamson, a former legislator, said he voted for a full crew law, an electric headlight bill and other measures opposed by railroads and that after these votes in 1914 his pass was not renewed. Senator McKinney testified he had requested more than 600 trip passes in 1911. Examiner Carlton of the commission read copies of letters from the files of the two roads, showing general use of passes in Tennessee and Kentucky. One letter from a legislator, requesting a pass for a friend over the Chattanooga road, concluded, "What do you want me to do with the railroad bills now before the commission?"

Flight of Germans Over Switzerland Causes Friction

BERNE, April 27.—(Via Paris, Delayed.)—The flight of a German airplane over Swiss territory near the region of Porrentruy yesterday morning, occurring so soon after a previous similar flight over the same territory, has provoked the strongest indignation in Switzerland. This is reflected in all sections of the press. The semi-official Bund says the time has come to demand from Germany something more than expressions of regret or excuses. The moderate Journal de Geneve points out that this is the thirteenth incident of the kind and that the German minister says the most solemn assurance last August that there would be no further violation and added that German aviators were ordered to keep

three miles from the Swiss frontier, yet the raids have been even more frequent since then than before. The newspaper describes the flight over Switzerland as an insulting disregard of federal authority.

Wife Leaves Spouse for a "Larger Life," Taking Money Along

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 28.—Charging that his wife persuaded him to take a trip into the country to sketch cherry blossoms, kissed him goodby, after getting from him his office keys "so that she could get the place cleaned" during his absence and then took possession of cash and securities valued at \$40,000 and ran away with another man, Samuel H. Westfall, a wealthy mining man of this city, filed suit here today for divorce. On his return from the sketching trip, the complaint alleges, Westfall found a note from his wife saying she had left him "for the path of a larger life."

In addition to taking all the cash and securities in his office, Mrs. Westfall, the complaint states, had their joint bank account transferred to Samuel H. Day, a young San Francisco attorney. The court granted an injunction restraining Day from making use of the bank account and issued orders to prevent the collection of dividends from the securities alleged to be missing. The Westfalls were married in 1917 in Indianapolis and came to San Francisco in 1913.

Fatal Auto Upset Near Ravenna

RAVENNA, Neb., April 28.—(Special Telegram.)—Joe Novotna, a young farmer, single, was killed last night when his automobile turned over where there was a culvert and a turn in the road. Three other young men were injured, but not dangerously. Novotna owned the car and was driving.

Purchases Charged Saturday Appear on Your June 1 Statement THOMPSON-BELDEN & CO. The Fashion Centers of the Middle West. Established 1896!

The Store for Shirtwaists Presents a Showing of Many New Blouse Styles --Styles for Saturday-- The newest creations of world known designers: Blouse fashions that are dainty, delicate shadings and colors, soft appealing fabrics. --These styles are wanted by women who desire the Choicest of Clothes. Georgette Crepes, \$5, \$6.50, \$7.75, \$9.75, \$10.50. Wash Blouses, \$1.95, \$2.95, \$3.95, \$5.00, \$6.50. New Petticoats, \$5.00, \$5.50, \$7.50.

The New Silks First New sport stripes in silk pongee, colors rose, Cope, Kelly green and navy, with natural pongee to match, \$1.00 a yard. Lustrous finished taffetas and taffeta gros grain, exceptionally good weights in a complete range of colors (36-inch), \$1.50. Black taffeta specially priced for Saturday's selling; a good weight in rich black, very well suited for separate skirts and coats (36-inch), \$1.59 a yard. Georgette crepes, some new arrivals in new high colors and delicate shades (40-inch), \$1.50 and \$2 a yard. English Corduroys in the most wanted colors, rose, leaf green, gray, Cope, maize, white; \$1.25, \$1.50 quality, Saturday, \$1.00 and \$1.25 a yard. Remnants of Silks and Dress goods, desirable lengths at specially reduced prices Saturday. Main Floor.

Dainty New Neckwear To accentuate the smartness of Spring costumes A variety which offers untold possibilities to make the season most exacting: Vests, colored and white, 50c to \$7.50. Round and Square Collars for coats and blouses, 25c to \$1.25. Large Cape Collars, in orandy and pique, \$1.25 to \$2. Net Ruffling for Pique, 85c to \$1.00 a yard. Ostrich Ruffs, \$1.50 to \$8.50.

Ready to Put On Suits For Spring and Summer Wear Priced \$25 These Garments are "Quality Suits" in every sense of the word. Fabrics, workmanship or styles have not been sacrificed to sell these suits for \$25. This offering is a truly remarkable example of dependable suits for a moderate price. No Charge for Alterations

Toilet Goods for Saturday Orange Flower Skin Food, regularly 75c, special, Saturday, 59c. Mennen's Bath Powder, 25c. Non-Spy, 45c.

Basement Millinery Bargains Saturday Trimmed Hats New Flowers Untrimmed Hats Fancy Feathers Never before have we known of trimmed hats, untrimmed hats, beautiful flowers and fancy feathers selling for so little as in the sale Saturday. \$4.50 TRIMMED HATS for \$1.25 \$4.95 TRIMMED HATS for \$2.50 \$6.75 TRIMMED HATS for \$3.95 Untrimmed Hats, twelve extra good shapes, in all the wanted colors, Saturday, 89c. Imported and Domestic Flowers, all beautiful shades, worth 35c, 50c, 75c and 95c, Saturday, 15c.

"Society Linen" Stationery The Last at This Price, 25c We are fortunate in having secured at the old price a large quantity of "Society Linen," a high grade writing paper with envelopes to match. 100 Sheets Paper, 25c. 100 Envelopes, 25c. 50 Envelopes and 50 Sheets of Paper, 25c. The Price Will Be Advanced Next Tuesday.

Women's Gauze Underwear For Late Spring Wear Gauze Vests, "Candy Cut," low neck, sleeveless, 18c, 25c and 35c. Gauze Union Suits, low neck, no sleeves, fitted or wide knee, 85c. Fine ribbed Hala Union Suits, low neck, no sleeves, fitted or wide knee, 85c. Merocized Union Suits, low neck, no sleeves, fitted knee, \$1.00. The Underwear Section is now in its new location—Rear, Main Aisle, First Floor.