

KAISER CALLS A MEET OF CHIEFS ON U-BOAT WAR

Emperor Summons Chancellor and High Army and Navy Officials to Conference at Headquarters.

MAY MODIFY DIVER FIAT Possibility of Parleys With Neutrals Over Subsea Campaign to Be Discussed.

REPORT FROM AMSTERDAM

London, Feb. 11.—An important conference at headquarters has been called by Emperor William presumably to discuss the submarine question, says the Exchange Telegraph company's Amsterdam correspondent today.

Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, the imperial chancellor, and high army and navy officials will attend and it is reported, adds the correspondent, that the possibility of negotiations with the neutrals for modifying the terms of the recent German memorandum will be discussed.

Pro-German Dies Following Heated Argument and Fight

Leigh, Neb., Feb. 11.—(Special Telegram.)—A mysterious death occurred here last night, when Fred Duwinn died just after he had been taken home by Fred Paulsen, a friend. Duwinn and Paulsen had been in town during the day, and Duwinn and another farmer, George Elmer, got into a heated argument over the crisis with Germany. Duwinn was very emphatic in expressing sympathy with Germany, and this wound up in a fist fight on the street later in the evening. Duwinn and Paulsen took lunch at a local eating house and then proceeded home. On the way Duwinn bled profusely and lay down in the vehicle when they reached the Paulsen home, two miles southeast of this city. Duwinn was very ill and had to be carried to the house. He died soon after being seated in a chair. A local physician turned the case over to the Platt county authorities. Duwinn was about 29 years old and single. He had been employed on a farm near here.

Edison Celebrates Seventieth Birthday In His Big Workshop

Orange, N. J., Feb. 11.—Thomas A. Edison who was 70 years old today, was the guest of honor at a banquet given in his workshop tonight by more than 2,000 of his employees and business associates. Letters of congratulation and good will were read from President Wilson and many others of note from all parts of the world.

Mr. Edison went from his laboratory direct to the banquet. The inventor's employees and business associates had been seated at tables which filled a room covering an entire floor of the Edison workshop. A birthday cake ten and one-half feet in circumference and forty inches high was placed in front of Mr. Edison. It was aglow with seventy electric candles. In the center of it was a figure of Liberty holding an electric torch. Mr. Edison made a brief speech in which he thanked his "fellow workers" for their loyalty and their remembrance of his birthday. He added: "I feel fine and I am working hard just now for my Uncle Samuel."

A letter from President Wilson, addressed to the chairman of the committee in charge, was as follows:

"I wish with all my heart that I might be present to take part in celebrating Mr. Edison's seventieth birthday. It would be a real pleasure to be able to say in public with what deep and genuine admiration I have followed his remarkable career of achievement. I was an undergraduate at the university when his first inventions captured the imagination of the world, and ever since then I have retained the sense of magic which what he did then created in my mind. He seems always to have been in the special confidence of nature herself. His career already has made an indelible impression on the history of applied science and I hope that he has many years yet before him in which to make his record still more remarkable."

The Weather

Temperatures at Omaha Yesterday.

Hour	Temp.	Dir.
6 a. m.	32	W
7 a. m.	32	W
8 a. m.	32	W
9 a. m.	32	W
10 a. m.	32	W
11 a. m.	32	W
12 m.	32	W
1 p. m.	32	W
2 p. m.	32	W
3 p. m.	32	W
4 p. m.	32	W
5 p. m.	32	W
6 p. m.	32	W
7 p. m.	32	W
8 p. m.	32	W
9 p. m.	32	W
10 p. m.	32	W
11 p. m.	32	W
12 m.	32	W

Hour	Temp.	Dir.
Highest yesterday	32	W
Lowest yesterday	21	W
Mean temperature	24	W
Precipitation for 24 hours	0.00	0.00
Temperature and precipitation departures from the normal		
Normal temperature	32	
Deficiency for the day	0	
Total excess since March 1	118	
Normal precipitation	68	
Deficiency for the year	68	
Total rainfall since March 1	137.42	
Deficiency since March 1	13.87	
Deficiency for the year	13.87	
Deficiency for the period, 1914-1916	1.94	
L. A. WELSH, Meteorologist.		

WARM TRIBUTES TO MEMORY OF LINCOLN

Memorial University Celebration Hears From Many Eminent Speakers.

SLOAN LEADS THE LIST

Cumberland Gap, Tenn., Feb. 11.—A score or more of five-minute addresses modeled on the brevity of Lincoln's Gettysburg address constituted a feature today of the celebration of the twentieth anniversary of the founding of Lincoln Memorial university. "Lincoln, the Orator," was the subject of one of these short addresses by Congressman Charles H. Sloan of Nebraska, who said:

"Lincoln was invited to speak at Cooper Institute, New York City, in 1860. Again his feasting friends said: 'Do not go to New York. It is the home of Seward.' That speech made at Cooper Institute will defeat you. Again he had confidence in himself and his cause. He went. He made that memorable speech. That speech made him the presidential nominee. He revealed new and strange powers of oratory by the east. It was not the florid, ornate utterance of the south. It was not the keen classic analysis of the east. It was that direct and convincing express of the west proceeding from a clear brain prompted by a good heart, that swayed the judgment and clinched conviction. Throughout Lincoln's speeches either in debate with Douglas, at Cooper Institute, or later in his masterpiece at Gettysburg, his expression was lucid and strong, his embellishment was through ideas rather than words. These illuminated rather than adorned his central proposition. On the last mentioned occasion Lincoln underwent the supreme oratorical test.

One of Three Greatest.
"Daniel Webster, who divides with Edmund Burke the oratorical honors of the English tongue, says true eloquence rests in the occasion, in the theme and in the man. The occasion was the gathering of the nation's greatest to commemorate the mightiest battle and victory of the great war. It was on that field of fearful carnage. The speech was by the central figure of the triumphant north. He stood the test. He spoke as man has not spoken since. Paul addressed the Athenians on Mars Hill. Lincoln spoke with the boldness of Paul and the authority of the Nazarene. It was the third in point of time of the three great short speeches of earth—Hebrew, Greek, American."

Shaw's View of Lincoln.
Leslie M. Shaw, former secretary of the treasury, explaining that every one who attempts some revolutionary policy claims some similarity between himself and Lincoln, devoted his address to pointing out "what Lincoln did not believe, touch or do."

"He was not an abolitionist," said Mr. Shaw. "He never belonged to or affiliated with the abolition party. The platform on which Mr. Lincoln was elected was not an abolition platform. Mr. Lincoln set his face strongly against the spread of slavery and his party promised that all free soil should remain free. Thus far, but no farther," was his position. It is noteworthy, however, that he signed the emancipation proclamation with many misgivings and after much delay. The abolition of slavery by proclamation was a war measure and an incident of the war. When the constitution of the confederacy was adopted it expressly prohibited a protective tariff and guaranteed slavery.

Lincoln a Conservative.
"Mr. Lincoln believed in three coordinate branches of government and he did not believe in any subordinate branch. He did not believe that the judiciary should advise the congress or the executive. He did not believe that the congress should interfere with the interpretation of the administration of the laws which it saw fit to enact and he did not believe the executive should attempt to dictate to the courts or make appointments

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Edward McEacheron Dies of Rheumatism and Cancer

Edward McEacheron, aged 68 years, and for thirty years a resident of Omaha, engaged in the retail coal business and located at Twentieth and Lake streets most of the time, died at his residence, 1907 West street, at 5 o'clock Sunday morning of rheumatism and cancer of the stomach, after an illness of several months. He is survived by his widow and one daughter, the latter, Mrs. Allene Mumaugh of Tobias, this state.

Mr. McEacheron was born in New York and came to Nebraska some thirty-five years ago, settling first near Ainsworth and then moving to Rushville, subsequently locating in Omaha. Mr. McEacheron was a member of the North Presbyterian church and was one of its officers almost from the time of its organization. He was a trustee at the time of his death. The funeral will be held from the home at 2 o'clock today. Burial will be at Forest Lawn cemetery and will be private. The family has requested that friends refrain from sending flowers. The pallbearers will be: J. C. Weath, O. A. Scott, C. S. Johnson, J. H. Hughes, E. W. Lamars, W. D. Fiedel, and J. H. Hughes.

Representative Liggett

Weds Lincoln Teacher

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 11.—(Special Telegram.)—Representative George Liggett of Seward county was married this afternoon at the Lincoln hotel, to Miss Charlotte Zwink of Utica, who has been a teacher in the Lincoln High school the last three years. Mr. Liggett is a banker at Utica and is serving his second term in the legislature.

ONE AMERICAN UPON MANTOLA AMONG SAVED

Ship's Surgeon, From Oregon, Survivor of Crew of British Vessel Sunk by U-Boat Without Warning.

SEVEN LASCARS VICTIMS

He Describes Experience of Vessel Torpedoed by German Submarine.

BLAST FIRST HE KNEW

Sea Disasters Yesterday

London, Feb. 11.—Lloyds' shipping agency reports the Italian bark Luigina of 1,700 tons, ground and a total loss. The captain and ten men were lost. Five men were saved. The British steamer Sallagh has been sunk, Lloyds' shipping agency announces today.

This may refer to the British steamer Salaga, of 3,811 tons gross, owned by Elder, Dempster & Co. of Liverpool. It has been in the British government service. No steamer Sallagh is listed in available records.

Washington, Feb. 11.—One American Earl Rice, ship's surgeon of Portland, Ore., was on board the British India liner Mantola, torpedoed off the Irish coast, February 8. Consul Frost at Queenstown cabled the State department that the steamer was torpedoed without warning, but that everybody escaped except seven Lascars.

Sound of Violent Explosion.

London, Feb. 11.—Earl M. Rice of Portland, Ore., ship's surgeon of the Mantola, and the only American on board, was among the survivors of the torpedoed steamer, who arrived in London today. He gave the Associated Press the following account of the sinking:

"The first we knew was the sound of a violent explosion, which shook the ship from end to end at 10 p. m. on Thursday. The sea was fairly rough, but the ship maintained an even heel and excellent order was preserved. Captain Chavas immediately ordered the boats launched.

Seven Lascars Killed.

"Seven Lascars were killed by the explosion. The remainder of those on board were unhurt. Everybody got safely into the boats with the exception of the captain, the chief engineer and the wireless operator, who were to follow us later. "Nobody had yet seen the submarine and everybody in the boats was peering into the haze in a vain effort to catch a glimpse of the tell-tale periscope. An hour and a half after the torpedoing the captain, the engineer and the wireless man got the wireless working and began sending out S. O. S. calls giving details of the position.

Reply Is Instant.

"The reply came almost instantly, but from an unexpected quarter. The submarine, which evidently was lying off in the haze two miles or so away, picked up the wireless and began shelling the Mantola from 4,000 yards distance, meanwhile approaching at full speed so that the range rapidly decreased. Some of the shells were loaded with shrapnel, which burst about the Mantola, injuring the lifeboats. We had returned close to the Mantola, but the sailors now tried to increase the distance from the submarine's target. Fortunately, nobody was hurt by the shells.

Boat Plainly Visible.

"By this time the submarine was plainly visible to everybody. A cool-headed passenger on my boat took down a notebook and carefully marked down a cross every time the submarine fired. His record shows that forty-seven were fired. "The submarine was within 200 or 300 yards of the Mantola when an unidentified vessel began to loom up on the hazy horizon. The submarine's commander decided that discretion was the better part of valor, closed his hatches quickly, submerged and disappeared, to the unspeakable relief of us all. The new arrival proved to be a British sloop, which gradually picked up the survivors.

We were in our boat about six hours. The Mantola sank in the evening."

Austria Parleys With U. S. Over Mediterranean Travel

London, Feb. 11.—Reports from Vienna, received at The Hague and transmitted by the Exchange Telegraph company, say that the Austro-Hungarian government is negotiating with American Ambassador Penfield over the question of allowing Americans to travel unhindered in the Mediterranean, hoping thereby to avert a severance of relations between Austria-Hungary and the United States.

It is not expected, the dispatch adds, that the negotiations will succeed, because Germany is adverse to giving any pledge regarding Americans on the ground that it would weaken the blockade and Austria-Hungary is unable to give a guarantee without German sanction.

Perhaps After the War the Women Will Do the Proposing

(Correspondence of The Associated Press.)
London, Jan. 20.—Speakers at a suffrage meeting here were of the opinion that women will have to propose after the war, because many men will hesitate to come forward owing to their being cripples.

As the mists of time clear away Lincoln looms greater and more majestic, like a mountain from which the clouds are blown.



"LITTLE MOTHER" OF VOLUNTEERS TALKS

Mrs. Maud Ballington Booth Tells of Her Work in Helping Former Convicts.

PERMANENT HOME HERE

Mrs. Maud Ballington Booth, who with her husband founded the Volunteers of America, known as the "little mother" to thousands of convicts and ex-convicts in all parts of the country and famous throughout the world as a woman preacher and prison worker, spoke at a mass meeting at the Auditorium yesterday afternoon on "Hope for the Hopeless." Her visit to Omaha was under the auspices of the local Volunteers of America, Major F. A. McCormick in command. Mrs. Booth spent a busy day here, arriving late Saturday night, speaking at the Auditorium in the afternoon and at the First Congregational church in the evening. She left Omaha early this morning. Real prison reform, she told the fairly large audience at the Auditorium, isn't what the popular conception gives it credit for. Base ball, movies, field days and what not is only the froth on top of the wave—the real reform is instilling in the hearts of the prisoners the spirit of God and bringing work to idle hands so that they can save their minds and muscles from degeneration and be able to use them when they gain their freedom, Mrs. Booth declared.

No Profit to State.

Mrs. Booth asserted that no state has the right to profit by the work of prisoners while their families are left in destitution at home. She said that she hoped for the time when families will get the earnings of the prisoners and the men themselves will feel as if they are earning their board and lodging. The founder of the Volunteers criticized sharply those who are opposed to the prisoners working.

Out of the 25,000 men whom Mrs. Booth said have come to her direct from prison, 25 per cent of them, she averred, have "made good." She declared that only 5 per cent of this number went back to a life of crime and landed in prison again. Each prisoner, when he starts serving his sentence, should be studied and his defects remedied; the men should not be looked upon merely as a mass of convicts, was one of her suggestions for real prison reform. "Don't look at them as bank burglars, forgers, thieves, but as men," she said.

Mrs. Booth at the beginning of her address declared that she was glad

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T. R. Associated With Move To Rear Monument to Cody

New York, Feb. 11.—Theodore Roosevelt has accepted an honorary vice presidency in the Colonel W. F. Cody Memorial association of Denver, which will pay the late Buffalo Bill the tribute of America by erecting a mausoleum on top of a Colorado mountain peak. Lookout mountain, to be rechristened Mount Cody. Colonel Roosevelt will be the guest of a committee representing the memorial body and the United States Boy Scouts, working jointly with it. The memorial structure will include statues symbolical of episodes of Buffalo Bill's frontier adventures, with an equestrian figure of the late scout as part of the design. In the crypt, according to the committee's plans, will be placed material things which were Colonel Cody's cherished possessions—trappings, relics, rare paintings, souvenirs, gifts and collections.

Can't Make Bill Law Because Copyrighted

Sioux Falls, S. D., Feb. 11.—R. O. Richards of Huron prepared and caused to be introduced in the legislature at Pierre a primary law he had protected by copyright. Today the elections committee of the senate reported it could do nothing with the bill because of the copyright, which would forbid its publication as a printed senate bill for distribution among the members. The Richards "primary" act was adopted by popular vote under the initiative of 1912, but the 1915 session of the legislature repealed it. It was offered again under the initiative in the 1916 election and defeated.

OMAHANS WILL TALK AT LINCOLN BANQUET

Young Men's Republican Club of Capital City Will Observe Birthday.

SEATS MUCH IN DEMAND

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
Lincoln, Feb. 11.—(Special.)—The Young Men's Republican club of Lincoln will give its annual Lincoln day banquet at the Lincoln hotel Monday evening.

Norris Brown of Omaha will be the orator of the occasion and his subject will be "The Text From Lincoln."

Victor Rosewater, editor of The Omaha Bee will be another speaker; his subject being "Looking Forward." Matthew Gering of Plattsmouth will have for his subject "The Rosary of Politics."

Representative Leonard A. Flansburg will be the representative speaker from the young men's club and will talk on "Harmony." The toastmaster will be former Lieutenant Governor S. R. McLever of Lincoln.

The annual banquet of the club, while a Lincoln organization, has always been a state-wide affair and seats have been at such a demand that it has been hard to fill the wants and this affair will be no exception.

Omaha Will Send Men to Hear Bryan Talk Against War

New York, Feb. 11.—W. J. Bryan is expected to be the principal speaker at the anti-war demonstration at Washington next Monday night under the auspices of the Emergency Peace Federation, it was announced here today. Assurances have been received, it was said, that delegations will be present from Boston, Buffalo, Rochester, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Chicago, Omaha and other cities. A check for \$100 was received today by the New York committee from Mr. Bryan. It was reported, to help defray expenses. Announcement also was made that Miss Jane Addams of Chicago had telegraphed that she would organize a Chicago contingent to go to Washington. Similar messages were said to have been received from Dr. J. H. Kellogg of Battle Creek and C. H. Gustafson of Lincoln, Neb.

STUDY YOURSELF TO NURSE ALL DEFECTS

Dean Fordyce of Nebraska Tells Men at 'Y' How to Perfect Bodies.

MUST TAKE AN INVENTORY

"Have you found your defect, physical or moral?" "If you have not, you are not ready to start on the upgrade in manhood." This is the way Dean Charles Fordyce, dean of the teachers' college of the University of Nebraska, approached his subject when talking at the Young Men's Christian association auditorium yesterday afternoon on "A Young Man's Personal Questions."

"Fifty generations back you had thirty-two ancestors," he said. "Fifteen generations back you had, not thirty-two, but 32,000. From these you inherited a tangle of forces that to make up you today. From one you inherited perhaps a strong body. From one you inherited a love of the beautiful. From another you inherited weak eyes.

Keep impulses in check. "You must make an inventory of yourself to see what stuff you have at hand to make a man. I regret that there is probably not one in the room but who has impulses which, if allowed full sway, would devour every noble impulse in you. These must be kept in check."

Dean Fordyce gave his own case as an illustration of what could be done in the way of finding one's weaknesses and guarding against them. He said he had found by a study of his family tree that his great grandfather had a weak digestive apparatus, that his grandfather likewise was afflicted, that his own father had the same trouble, and then that in his own case he was bothered greatly with his stomach so that he never knew a well day until he was 13 years old.

"But I stand before you today in perfect health," he said. "That is because I guarded and nursed this defect all my life."

British Capture One Mile of Teuton Trenches on Somme

London, Feb. 11.—British troops last night captured German trenches on a front of more than three-quarters of a mile in the Somme line, constituting what is characterized as a "strong system," lying north of Beaumont-Hamel.

Naturalization Fees Break All Previous Records Here

District Clerk Smith has just enjoyed one of the best weeks in his official career, for naturalization figures broke all records. His books show that from February 1 to 9, inclusive, 136 aliens took out their first paper. In this same period sixty-nine second papers were issued over "naturalization desk," this means that in less than ten days \$412 in naturalization fees has been paid in. The preceding banner naturalization week was the six days before the election registration closed last fall. In this period the fees totaled only \$77, a mere "bag o' shells" compared to the present rush for citizenship papers, following the break with Germany. The week before the primaries last spring, produced naturalization fees totaling \$94.

GERARD LEAVES BERLIN FOR THE SWISS FRONTIER

Ambassador and Staff and Over Hundred Other Americans on Train Departing From German Capital.

GIVEN CORDIAL SENDOFF

Travelers Are Bidden Wistful Farewell by Their Countrymen Who Remain.

SMILE ON ENVOY'S FACE

Bulletin.
Zurich, Switzerland, Feb. 11.—(Via Paris.)—The American Ambassador James W. Gerard, arrived at the Swiss boundary at Schaffhausen at 4 o'clock this afternoon. He was met by the American minister to Switzerland, Pleasant A. Stovall, and representatives of the Swiss army.

Berlin, Saturday, Feb. 10.—(Wireless via Sayville, Feb. 11.)—James W. Gerard, the American ambassador, and his staff left Berlin at 8:10 o'clock tonight for Switzerland. Besides the embassy staff, 110 other Americans accompanied him.

The leave-taking was very cordial, members of the foreign office seeing the ambassador off.

Mr. Gerard will await instructions in Berne before proceeding.

"Auf Wiedersehen on Broadway."

The train on which the ambassador left Berlin consisted of ten coaches. Fully 200 Americans who are remaining in Berlin were on hand to take leave regretfully of their countrymen, who, after a week of tension, due to strenuous preparations for leaving, were somewhat distraught.

"Good-bye, Judge," someone shouted as the train started, and Mr. Gerard, leaning out of the window of his car, replied: "Auf Wiedersehen on Broadway."

The former ambassador's face wore a smile as he waited for the train to depart and he expressed himself optimistically with regard to further developments in the German-American situation.

Diplomats Present.

At the station Count Montgelas, head of the American section of the foreign office, and Herr von Prittwitz, personal representative of Foreign Minister Zimmermann, were present to bid Mr. Gerard farewell. The diplomatic corps was represented by Polo V. Bernabe, the Spanish ambassador, who is to take over the interests of the United States; Dr. Theotyk, the Greek minister; Baron Gevers, the Dutch minister, and the diplomats of the South American republics. The military authorities and the foreign office assigned special officers to accompany the train to the Swiss frontier, where it is due to arrive at 8 o'clock tomorrow morning. On the way to the frontier the train will pick up a score or more Americans attached to consular offices in southern Germany.

Rests With Swiss Government.

The disposition of the ambassadorial train after its arrival in Zurich rests with the Swiss government, which is awaiting instructions from France. It is considered likely, however, that the American party will stay in Berne for a few days.

University Students Visit

The Uplike Flour Mill

Prof. Leland Lewis, head of the chemistry department at the University of Omaha, took his food chemistry classes and the domestic science girls through the Uplike flour mill Saturday. Mr. Dean Yohe, the chief chemist of the concern, showed the students through every department of the mill. First he let them see how the wheat is converted into flour by the mechanical processes. Later he took them to the laboratory and analyzed a sample of flour for the various constituents of the cereal. Then he played the part of a baker and made some bread to test the bread making qualities of the different flours. While the bread was baking he showed them how to test for poisons, such as nitrites, in the flour. The final demonstration consisted in testing the finished bread with reference to texture, color and weight.

Elephant Grass Now Used For Making Print Paper

(Correspondence of The Associated Press.)
London, Jan. 30.—A folder sent here by the Uganda railway, printed on good paper, contains a note to the effect that the paper is made from elephant grass, which grows in abundance in British East Africa and Uganda.

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