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GERMANY TELLS WHY DUTCH SHIPS WERE TORPEDGED

If Vessels Had Waited Till March 17 U-Boat Commanders Would Have Had Their Instructions.
BLAME PUT ON ENGLAND
Statement of Teuton Legation at The Hague Explains Fixing of Dates.
MINES FILL PERIL ZONE

The Hague, Feb. 25.—The statement issued yesterday by the German legation here to the effect that the torpedoing of the seven Dutch merchantmen was due to "an extremely regrettable coincidence of circumstances, which is unfortunate, but was beyond our control," contains also an explanation made, it says, "to prevent erroneous impressions."
It states that in view of the situation of Dutch vessels in English ports the sailing time for these ships was first fixed for February 5, then for February 9, and then for midnight of February 10. Finally, "for reasons for which England was to blame," the sailing date was postponed to February 22 or March 17.

Zone Extensively Mined.
The only date of sailing for which absolute safety from submarines could be guaranteed was March 17, the statement says, as by that time all German submarines would have possessed instructions in regard to these vessels. Even then, safety from mines could not be guaranteed, ships having been warned on February 6 that the danger zone had been mined extensively.
For the same reasons, the statement says, until March 5 relative security, meaning safety dependent on good fortune, will apply to the channel to the west of Denmark, through which Dutch trans-Atlantic shipping must pass.

Must Kill Cattle.
The Hague (Via London), Feb. 25.—A large amount of fodder was on board some of the Dutch merchantmen which were torpedoed on Thursday. In consequence of the non-arrival of this fodder it will be necessary to kill a large part of Holland's cattle.
Detention at foreign ports of Dutch vessels laden with Chilean saltpetre and other fertilizers is causing alarm, it being feared that this year's harvest will be retarded seriously.

Eight Firms, Eleven Persons Indicted in Creamery "Deal"

Boise, Idaho, Feb. 25.—Eight corporations and eleven individuals were named in an indictment returned this afternoon by the United States grand jury for alleged conspiracy and unlawful commerce in restraint of interstate commerce and in violation of the Sherman anti-trust act, in the buying, selling, manufacture and shipping of creamery and dairy products.
The indictment alleges that these operations injuriously affected the business of 172 independent concerns in nearly as many different towns and caused injury to the general public, "but more particularly in the states of Idaho, Montana, Utah, Washington, Oregon, Wyoming, Nevada and California."

Bill Interesting Douglas Goes to the Legislature

Lincoln, Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Governor Neville will tomorrow send the first special bill to the legislature to be received by it since the limit for the introduction of bills expired. The bill is the result of much solicitation on the part of the people of Douglas county that they might be given the right to vote upon a proposition purely local in every way.
It covers the proposition of giving the people of Douglas county the right to say whether there shall be more ground purchased for a poor farm, investments for buildings, sale of present lands, etc., and other matters along the line of county expenditures.

Prisoners to Protect German Royalty From Plane Bombs

Paris, Feb. 25.—Deputy Galli has urged the government to take measures of reprisal following the receipt of a German wireless announcement that a camp for French and British officers has been established near the royal residence at Karlsruhe to protect the palace against French airplane raids.

The Weather

Temperatures at Omaha Yesterday		
Hour	Temp.	Dir.
8 a. m.	27	W
9 a. m.	27	W
10 a. m.	27	W
11 a. m.	27	W
12 m.	27	W
1 p. m.	27	W
2 p. m.	27	W
3 p. m.	27	W
4 p. m.	27	W
5 p. m.	27	W
6 p. m.	27	W
7 p. m.	27	W
Comparative Local Record		
Year	1917	1916
Highest yesterday	27	37
Lowest yesterday	27	22
Mean temperature	27	30
Precipitation	0.00	0.00
Deficiency for the year		
Total rainfall since March 1	37.50	110.00
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Deficiency for year, per cent	1917	93
Deficiency for year, per cent	1916	1.18

L. A. WELSH, Meteorologist.

CRISIS EXPECTED TO BRING RECALL OF PENFIELD



AMBASSADOR PENFIELD
States ambassador to Austria-Hungary, whose recall through the severance of diplomatic relations with the dual monarchy may take place at any time. If Austria-Hungary affirms the German ruthless U-boat war Ambassador Penfield will be instructed to ask for his passports and at the same time passports will be issued to Count Tarnow, Austro-Hungarian ambassador now in Washington.

WOMEN STORM THE WALDORF-ASTORIA

Mob of Thousand New York Persons Stage Big Food Riot.
WANT TO SEE WHITMAN
New York, Feb. 25.—A crowd of approximately 1,000 persons, mostly women who had attended a mass meeting in Madison square to protest against the high cost of food, stormed the Waldorf Astoria hotel last night, shouting they were starving and demanding to see Governor Whitman.

When informed the governor was not there, but at another hotel, they refused to believe it and started a demonstration, which necessitated the calling out of police reserves. Several persons were injured in the disorder that followed. Four arrests were made.
A speaker at the Madison square meeting had asked how many persons would be willing to go to the hotel. Several in the crowd who took this as a signal to march, started away and soon an excited throng was moving up Madison avenue. At Thirty-second street, the marchers turned into Fifth avenue.

One man, pointing at an automobile, shouted that no one had a right to ride in automobiles when others were starving. The machine was stopped and instantly several persons boarded the running board and tried to drag the owner from the car. Policemen drove away his assailants.
Three policemen who tried to turn the marchers away from the Waldorf Astoria, were swept aside. Although reinforced soon afterward by a number of porters and other employees of the hotel, they were unable to quiet the crowd. Traffic was blocked in all directions. One woman cried:
"We want to see the governor! We want bread! Our babies are starving!"
The reserves arrived while she was speaking and formed a line in front of the hotel entrance. They vainly argued with the crowd, and finally were forced to charge. One woman later was found unconscious in the street.

Governor Sees Committee.
While the police were dispersing the crowd in front of the Waldorf Astoria a committee which had been appointed at the Madison square meeting called on Governor Whitman at the Hotel St. Regis. Several hundred of those who participated in the demonstration at the Waldorf Astoria assembled in front of the St. Regis, about a mile further up Fifth avenue.
The governor received the committee in one of the parlors of the hotel and told them that he would support Mayor Mitchell and the other city authorities in every way possible in relieving the present situation.
"You can count on the governor and the state legislature to help to their fullest capacity," he said.
There was no music and neither shouting nor hooting, as the marchers, bearing only a few signs and banners touching on the high cost of living, proceeded toward Madison square in a score of processions.

Mexicans Can Make Their Own Munitions

Mexico City, Feb. 25.—The cartridge-making machinery, purchased from Japan, has been unloaded at Manzanillo from the steamer Koto-chiro Maru, and will soon be put in operation. Two hundred Japanese experts accompanied the shipment in order to set up the machinery and operate it. It is hoped by the government that this machinery will make Mexico independent of other countries for ammunition.
It was understood the machinery was purchased through efforts of Major Carpin of General Obregon's staff, who went to Japan some months ago. It will be necessary to rebuild the docks at Manzanillo in order to land the machinery.
It is believed that the government shortly will purchase machinery for the manufacture of artillery ammunition.

Metcalfe to Talk Soon To Nebraskans at Capital

Richard L. Metcalfe has accepted an invitation to address a gathering of Nebraskans in Washington some time soon on "Nebraska On the Firing Line."

Omaha Business Leaders Say Good-Bye to "Charlie" Rosewater

Departing Member of Bee Family Honor Guest at Dinner at Commercial Club.

HIS WORK FOR COMMUNITY
C. C. Rosewater was the guest at a farewell dinner at the Commercial club Monday night by over one hundred associates in Omaha. Those present represented largely fellow directors of the Commercial club, fellow governors of the bureau of publicity and fellow newspaper publishers. The occasion followed closely upon the announcement a week ago that Mr. Rosewater had accepted a position as general manager of the Los Angeles Express and Tribune. Handsomely bound menu cards on the table contained a portrait of Mr. Rosewater and some pleasant "good-bye" remarks.
Regrets at His Going.
William F. Baxter, toastmaster, said of the occasion: "We are here to express first our regret that Mr. Rosewater is to be taken from our midst. We are also here to appreciate and express appreciation for the work he has done along the line of service to the community."
President Randall K. Brown of the Commercial club went back to Mr. Rosewater's father in his tribute to the guest of the evening. "Edward Rosewater was the dean of journalism in Nebraska," he said, "and his name was synonymous with the progress of Nebraska." He spoke of the work of C. C. Rosewater as head of the Bureau of Publicity in Omaha, and

paid a high compliment to the work of the bureau under his direction.
Work in Days of Trial.
John L. McCague said some of the men who do most for the community give most of their service for the community interest are not always names who are most featured in newspapers and in the public eye.
"Such a man is our honored guest this evening," he said. "Would that Omaha had more of his type." Mr. McCague praised especially Mr. Rosewater's work as chairman of the big relief committee immediately following the disastrous tornado of March 23, 1913.
"Men of Omaha," said Mr. McCague, "we scarcely realize the heroic work of this man in the days when Omaha lay prostrate because of a convulsion of nature. The entire city sprang to the relief, to be sure, but they placed at the head of the committee the guest of this evening. There he worked out such efficient systems of relief, and systems of checking the needs, and the financial condition of the stricken ones on an indexed card system, that it attracted attention all over the country; and when shortly afterward Dayton, O., had occasion to reconstruct itself following the great floods there, they came to Omaha and took a man who had worked under Mr. Rosewater, and paid him \$10,000 a year for a term of years to help them. Men, I have sometimes thought that Mr. Rosewater was not sufficiently mentioned in regard to his work in that relief period."
Frank L. Haller was systematic in
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PASTOR ATTACKS "WORST TRIPLET"

Rev. O. W. Savidge Bitterly Arraigns Tobacco Store, Pool Room, Dance Hall.

WRECK HUMAN LIVES
In his sermon Sunday night, Rev. Charles W. Savidge, pastor of the Peoples' church, designated the "tobacco store, the pool hall and the dance hall the worst triplet that I know of for the destruction of young men."
The sermon by Rev. Mr. Savidge was launched against the pool rooms, but he took occasion to digress to some extent and land a number of body blows under the belt of the tobacco store and then squaring himself for the fray, took a number of falls out of the dance hall.
Referring to pool halls, Rev. Mr. Savidge asserted that there are fully 100 in Omaha and that instead of being frequented by "the sons of low down people, the young men who go to these places, come from the homes of the common people, the merchants, the professional men, and even the home of the minister is not exempt."
The preacher pictured the frequenters of the pool halls as being men and boys, ranging in ages from 50, down to 16 years of age. He asserted that many of them know that they should not visit such places, "but they sin against the light. And you will be surprised to know how many fathers and mothers have spoken to me on the subject and are now mourning over degeneracy of their sons."
Weaving the Net.
In the course of his remarks, Rev. Mr. Savidge designated the pool room as the institution "that weaves its net around the boys after which they are in a prison from which it is difficult to escape."
To indicate the position of the pool hall in the social fabric, the preacher remarked "it is licensed by the city, but is controlled really by no law. It is a law-breaker. It is in this place that our young men are taught to be gamblers and outlaws. Money does not pass from hand to hand there, but they use checks or particles of material that pass for money, and when a young man gets behind in his reckoning and has no money, he goes out to rob a house or hold a man up on the street."
In licensing pool halls Rev. Mr. Savidge took the position that the municipal authorities are parties to the manufacture of outlaws and added that it was no surprise to him that the other evening, there were so few young men present at a meeting that was held for the purpose of advancing the interests in the United States navy. "For," added the speaker, "they were in the pool hall, an institution that has robbed them of both love for God and country."
In conclusion, Rev. Mr. Savidge promised to fight the pool halls until their death, pledging his efforts in this manner:
"I promise, by the help of God, during my natural life, never to cease my efforts until the pool halls of this city are driven out of business."

LEGISLATURE USES UP MOST OF TIME

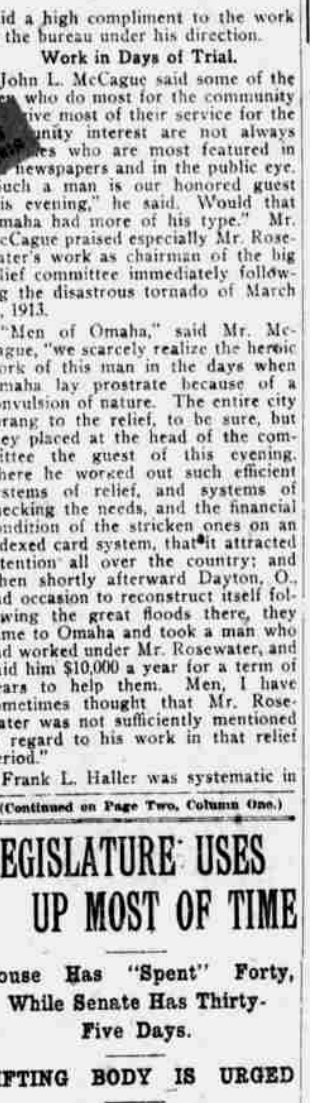
House Has "Spent" Forty, While Senate Has Thirty-Five Days.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
Lincoln, Feb. 25.—(Special.)—The house has used up forty of the sixty days for which the members are supposed to draw pay, while the senate has used something like thirty-five. When the whistle tooted at the close of the time for introduction of bills the house had registered 93 bills, while the three appropriation bills ran the number up to 796. In the senate the number reached 334; making 1,127 bills which the members of the two houses were supposed to "rasble" with before the last final spasm of the gavels some time in April.
In the house 120 bills have been disposed of in one way or another. The final passage route has caught some, but the indefinite postponement proposition has disposed of the greatest number, either by committee reports or in committee of the whole.
Bills on General File.
There is now on the general file in the house 185 bills for consideration. With the 120 disposed of it will mean that the house has yet 673 bills to take care of. The senate has not disposed of as many bills as the house, but it is safe to say that the percentage of bills before that body is somewhat more than in the house.
Of the 1,127 bills before these bodies, it is safe to say there are not over twenty-five which can be considered of importance. It is probable that outside of the appropriation bills there is not a dozen that can be considered of real state-wide importance. Among these might be mentioned the prohibition bill, the new state house bill, the good roads bill, the Taylor mill levy bill for rural schools; the Ollis bill for restricting the state for rural high school purposes, the bill for the reapportionment of school lands and one or two others.

Laugh Loudly When Ruthless Submarine Warfare Denounced

London, Feb. 25.—During the Reichstag debate Deputy Georg Ledebour, leader of the socialist minority, in refusing to follow the administration, said:
"We cannot by voting these credits take the responsibility for the war aims of the government. The insincerity of the peace offer minimizes its value. The right of nations to enjoy independence is violated in the manner in which Germany and Austria-Hungary created a new Polish state. From the beginning we opposed unrestricted submarine warfare and we demand its cessation. (Herr Ledebour was interrupted at this point by loud laughter.) It corresponds as little to the laws of humanity as the British plan of starvation. We ask the socialists in the entente nations to fight the machinations of their governments, which are frustrating peace, and we ask our American friends of peace to prevent in the last hour war with America."
Two Steamers Reported Sunk by Submarines
London, Feb. 25.—Lloyds reports the sinking of the British steamship Iser, 2,160 tons.
Paris, Feb. 25.—A war office communication tonight says:
"Vessels sunk February 24 and 25: British steamer Dorothy, 1,800 tons gross."
The British steamer Dorothy, was built in 1903 and was owned in Sunderland. It was last reported at Marseilles, January 17.
Blockade of Greece Lifted When King Comes Across
Paris, Feb. 25.—Definite announcement was made here today that the blockade of Greece will be lifted when King Constantine gives complete satisfaction to the demands of the entente allies.

WOMAN LEADS FOOD RIOTERS—"Sweet Marie" Ganz, indicated in the photograph by the arrow, was the leader of the East Side women who stormed the New York City Hall demanding food and relief from the excessive food prices. She is a former I. W. W. worker.



"SWEET MARIE" GANZ.

EDWIN GOULD, JR., IS KILLED HUNTING

Son of New York Capitalist Shot When Gun Discharged Accidentally.
USING WEAPON AS CLUB
Brunswick, Ga., Feb. 25.—Edwin Gould, Jr., son of the New York capitalist, was accidentally killed while hunting near Jekyll Island last night. Mr. Gould was hunting coons. He struck a coon on the head with the butt of his gun and the weapon was discharged, fatally wounding him. His companion had to row two miles in a small boat for help.
Grandson of Jay Gould.
New York, Feb. 25.—Mrs. Edwin Gould received a message tonight from her husband informing her that he was bringing home the body of their son in his private car.
Edwin Gould, jr., went to Jekyll Island about a month ago. He was joined there last week by his father and Colonel Nelson Burr, Mrs. Gould, who had been detained here by the illness of her mother, Mrs. George E. Shady, expected to join the members of her family at the island within a few days.
Edwin Gould, jr., who was 23 years old, was a grandson of the late Jay Gould.

FIFTEEN KILLED BY A SNOWSLIDE

Fifteen Injured, Some Seriously, as Result of Avalanche in Idaho.
THREE REPORTED MISSING
Boise, Idaho, Feb. 25.—Fifteen men were instantly killed, fifteen injured, some seriously, and three are missing as a result of a snow slide last night at the North Star Mine in the Wood River district near Hailey, Idaho.

War Taxation in Germany Twenty Per Cent Greater

Berlin, Feb. 25.—(By Wireless to Sayville, Feb. 25.)—This year's imperial budget amounts to 5,035,000,000 marks, as against 3,758,000,000 marks last year, or an increase of 1,277,000,000 marks, it was announced in the Reichstag today by Count von Roeder, the finance minister. This is an increase of 20 per cent.
The ordinary income provided for in the budget amounted to 4,941,000,000 marks, as against 3,659,000,000 marks, Count von Roeder stated, while the extraordinary budget totaled 93,000,000,000 marks, against 99,000,000,000 marks. The increased expenditures were due to great exports incurred under the insurance laws, the finance minister said. The number of persons receiving pensions had naturally increased because of the war, as well as pensions for orphans, he pointed out, while the further fact existed that the age limit for pensions has been decreased from 60 to 65 years.
War taxation has been increased 20 per cent.
Only eight socialists voted against the budget.
London, Feb. 25.—Dr. August von Lenze, Prussian minister of finance, has announced a new heavy tax on bachelors, according to a Berlin telegram transmitted by the Exchange Telegraph Copenhagen correspondent.
Families with children, on the other hand, the announcement states, will be relieved of a part of the burden of ordinary taxation, according to the number of their children.

Hollweg Invites Neutral Diplomats to Conference

London, Feb. 25.—The German chancellor, Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, is reported by the Exchange Telegraph company's Copenhagen correspondent, to have invited the ambassadors and ministers of neutral countries to a conference yesterday at the foreign office, in which Foreign Secretary Zimmermann took part.
Vienna (Via Amsterdam and London), Feb. 25.—An important meeting of Austrian and Hungarian ministers, at which the economic situation of the dual monarchy was the chief subject of discussion, was held here today.
Premier Tisa of Hungary presided in the place of Count Czernin, the Austria-Hungarian foreign minister, who has not returned from Munich.

Farmer's Resources Boom If He Holds Potatoes

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
Lincoln, Feb. 25.—(Special.)—A certain farmer in Nebraska, who was in Lincoln yesterday, confided to a friend that he had a carload of potatoes which he made very near selling last fall for 80 cents per bushel. He has recently been offered \$3 a bushel for the lot, but is holding them with the expectation of getting \$4 a bushel.

STAGE IS ALL SET FOR AUTO SHOW OPENING TODAY

Dealers Toll All Day Sunday Getting Auditorium Ready for Exposition of Cars and Trucks.
WEDNESDAY THE BIG DAY
That Day Specially Set Aside as "Farmers' Day" for the State Guests.
FACTORY MEN ARE HERE
With over \$1,000,000 worth of automobiles lined up in glittering array, Omaha's twelfth annual motor exposition opens at the Municipal Auditorium today.
Yesterday was a busy day for the auto men who will exhibit at the show. Bright and early they forsook the bliss of Sabbath morning slumberland, hastily brushed the sand out of their optics and hiked for the Auditorium, where they toiled until a late hour last night placing their exhibition cars into position and completing all the little details so they will be prepared for the opening day.
"Lend a hand, you," was a shout that rang out all day long as little handfulls of men called to willing helpers to aid in rolling the magnificent motor models into the building. Never for a moment did the work cease with the result that at a late hour last night the big Auditorium had practically been transformed into a motor car palace. Only a few trivial tasks remain to be finished today.
Crowd Expected.
The auto men expect a record-breaking opening night despite the fact that no complimentary admission tickets have been issued. This practice was abandoned last year because found necessary to call out the police to handle the immense crowds which attended.
But even though every person who attends tonight will have to deposit his cash at the box office first, the auto men are confident the building will be jammed to the guards.
Factory Men Arrive.
Factory men began to arrive in Omaha yesterday. Scores of them breezed into town on every train. All are looking forward to their week in Omaha with the keenest expectancy because Omaha always holds what they call "a real show."
"Omaha doesn't just stage a display of cars," said one factory expert, "the Omaha show sells cars. That's the kind of shows we like to attend. And you can say for me right here that no other city in the country holds a show active from the standpoint that it makes sales, than Omaha."
Omaha is to be favored by the presence of many distinguished guests this week. John N. Willys, president of the Willys-Overland company and one of the most striking figures in the automobile industry, Charles Nash, president of the Nash Motors company, and scores of sales managers, advertising managers, engineers and the like from most of the big factories will be here.
Wednesday Big Day.
Wednesday will be the real big day of the week. This is "Farmers' day." Since wheat began to hit around the \$2 mark and potatoes joined the ranks of the plutocratic commodities, the farmer has become a most important prospect. So a day has been set aside for him and it is believed that fully 2,000 farmers will journey into Omaha for the occasion.
In addition Wednesday night all visiting automobile dealers will be treated to a great beef steak dinner at the Hotel Fontenelle by the Omaha Automobile Trade association, the Commercial club and a number of local firms. One thousand dealers are expected to attend the event.

No Restrictions as to Kinds of Roads Built Under Law

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
Lincoln, Feb. 25.—(Special.)—The Department of Agriculture of the United States is not making any restrictions on the kind of roads to be built under the federal good roads act, according to a letter received by State Engineer Johnson from Washington. The letter follows:
"The secretary of agriculture gave out a statement today to refute the report that states desiring to build roads under the federal aid road act, which appropriates \$45,000,000, must be of a certain kind and to make it clear that no particular kind of material will be required or favored by the Department of Agriculture to the detriment of other materials.
There is not the slightest truth in such a report. This department, which is charged with the administration of the federal aid road act, has pinned absolutely no restrictions either direct or implied, upon the kinds of highways to be constructed. States may submit for approval any kind of road, even a earth road, and approval will be given if the construction be substantial in character, suitable for traffic needs, and meets the terms of the federal act. To give state legislators and highway officials the impression that this department favors only costly types of road or discriminates in favor of any particular material, would not only create a misunderstanding, but in placing barriers in the way of states which wish to build themselves federal aid in road construction."
Sauerkraut Draws Thief To Rob Butcher Shop
Evidently attracted by the savory smell emanating from a sauerkraut barrel in the butcher shop of G. R. Borth, 810 North Sixteenth street, a thief gained entrance Saturday night and stole two pounds of the desiccated cabbage. As a sideline to the feat, the butcher reported that the thief made off with fifteen pounds of salt pork and ten pounds of bacon.
Police believe the same thief, apparently in the clutches of the high cost of living, broke the front plate glass of the butcher shop of Joe Pospischal, 2332 South Twentieth, and departed with eight strips of bacon. A small amount of cash in the register was not touched.