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JAPAN WARNED NOT TO GO TOO FAR BY RUSSIA, ENGLAND AND AMERICA

Official Information Receives TUE at Peking Tells of Chang at Tokio.

CONFERENCES DELAYED

England and Russia Threaten to Break Diplomatic Relations.

American Ambassador Acts Independently.

Peking, China, March 17. - Official information reached Peking ambassadors at Tokio called upon informed him that if Japan perpowers, it would be difficult for caution Japan's allies to negotiate diplo-

ter consultation with another powment that certain of the Japanese demands were not in consonance with treaty agreements between China and the United States.

and British interests eir respective governments byboth sel seaworthy. American and British associations.

Japan will withdraw a substantial pro-China's attention to the fact that he has no right to make a treaty with apan contravening existing treaties

The Japanese minister to China, Eki sustained injuries yesterday by fall from his horse and his condition lible for him to do so. will prevent the holding of conference

ADMIT THAT PROTEST MADE tate Department Has Been Exerting

Vashington, March 17.—It is admitince the beginning of the negotiations states government has quietly been exits influence to have the Japanrepresentations have been lade in Washington to the Japanese Peking. Officials here have refrained rom making public any of the various ken to safeguard American inlerests. They preserved their same

demands upon China was beto be a rather strong statement

ect of the proposed Japanese demands ing to their release. upon existing treaty obligations.

WORKED VOTING MACHINE

estimony Says He Demonstrated How

lanapolis, March 17 .- That Mayor onn Roberts of Terre Haute demonn a voting machine a plan to saloon and gambling to a fund raised for the de- from Matteawan. day in the trial here of the toute case. Two women, Mrs. reviewed the motion. ison, a suffrage leader, and

led by Mrs. Rose, who stood oils all day. Mrs. Rose de-Kadel, a Republican worker a negro with one by who

time," the witnesses said, "the

Close Guard Placed About German Converted Cruiser

NOWAT NEWPORT NEWS

Letters Threatening to Use Dynamite on Vessel if She Does Not Leave Port Received-Guards Keep

Newport News, Va., March 17 .- As the result of threatening letters said for alleged violations of the Federal today that the Russian and British to have been received by Commander Thierichens of the German converted cruiser Prinz Eitel Friedrich, precau-Baron Takaaki Kato, Japanese tionary measures were taken tonight foreign minister, on Saturday, and to guard against any attempt to destroy the ship. The captain at first scoffed at the anonymous communicasisted in pressing upon China de- tions, but when it was pointed out to newspaper units in a mutual and comands beyond those contained in him how easy it would be to blow him up in the dead hours of the night, he her original communication to the decided it is said, to take every pre-

The pier at which the Eitel Friedrich has been docked is fenced in, guards matically with her in the future. patrol the pier and a sharp lookout is kept on board. In addition an unusu-It is understood that on the same ally bright light tonight illuminates day the United States, acting in- and the water in that direction is condependently, although possibly af- stantly watched by members of the

One of the letters received by the Prinz Eitel's captain demanded that he er informed the Japanese govern- leave this port at once or his vessel would be dynamited.

REQUEST NOT RECEIVED.

lector of the Fort Norman R. Hamilbroughout China are in concord in this ton was tonight still without definite matter, as voiced privately, semi-offi- request from Commander Thierichens ally and by the press. The Japanese of the German cruiser Prinz Eitel lemands have been discussed at meet- Friedrich for the time desired by him ngs and protests have been sent to for such repairs as will make his ves-

Commander Thierichens has told Collector Hamilton that he is still in hinese and foreign diplomats that doubt as to the repairs which are nec make definite request for his stay in port sufficient long to complete repairs. Commander Thierichens is reported o understand that he will give definite reply to the collector's official communications just as soon as it is poss-

Between 70 and 80 persons taken from the French steamship Florida when the latter was sunk in the South Atlantic by the German cruiser are still on board the Prinz Eitel Friedrich there still being doubt as to whether these people will be handled by the French line or the consular representatives of their respective countries. ish, Portuguese, Brazilian and Turkish China and Japan the United subjects. The commander of the Prinz Eitel Friedrich is daily urging that

these people be disposed of. Robert Rogge and Frank Wischnawent any infringement of the rights of sky, the latter originally known as America, either under treaty or the Charles Frank, today visited the Newprovisions of general international law. port News custom house in the matter of adjusting several dollars in pay which they felt was due them as memmbassador as well as in Tokio and bers of the crew of the American sailing ship William P. Frye. These men subsequently put on the uniform of the German sailors and signed as members of the crew of the Prinz Eitel titude when shown the latests news Friedrich. Both are German citizens and still hold their allegiance to their

The Collector of Customs Hamilton when asked concerning any statements pardized by her persistence in chnawsky at the custom house today, declined to discuss the matter stating department for proper action. generally believed however, neither of the men had any complaint States and Great Britain, relative to France reveal for the first time that dertake not to use their submarines on between the American and to make or made any request for actish governments regarding the ef- tion by the American government look-

THAW FILES NOTICE OF APPEAL OF CASE.

Action Taken as a Precautionary Meas-

New York, March 17 .- Counsel for Harry K. Thaw today filed notice of an appeal from the decision of Supreme Court Justice Page refusing to grant a motion to return Thaw to New Hampshire, whence he was extradited guard of the coast on account of the funds but were ordered to to stand trial for conspiring to escape

the present trial and that This notice of appeal Thaw's counsel ere more repeaters than legal believed, automatically would prevent one precinct was testimony their client being returned to Mattea- replied with the announcement that plockade announced by the Allies.

The notice of appeal, it was said, was Rose, were among the wit- a precautionary measure designed to keep Thaw out of Matteawan in the

GREEK STEAMER IN DISTRESS.

Reported Speaking Stranded Ship.

Key West, Fla., March 17. - The the witnesses said, "the witne a wooden leg; another time with the disease except by weight title-holder, all the way in the strength and a cane and still anand a cane and still an. in discress for many and neutral countries was to be were a pair of glasses ing to the Morazan's master, the Nefeli bargo on all commerce between Ger- ence to the American communication: States respectfully suggests that an and taking such sanitary precautions weighed in at 122 pounds a half hour many and neutral countries was to be the contribution of the contribution. needed assistance.

Attorney General Gregory Gives His Opinion.

CLEAN BILL OF HEALTH

Protest Filed With the Department of Justice Against News Gathering Agency by New York Sun Unsupported.

General Gregory, in a letter addressed to James M. Beck, counsel for The Sun Printing & Publishing Association of New York, holds that there is no ground for action by the Federal authorities against the Associated Press under the anti-trust law. The Attorney General's letter, dated March 12th and made public today, follows:

"I have given consideration to the complaint against the Associated Press anti-trust act presented to my predecessor by you as counsel for the Sun under the membership corporation law

of the state of New York. According operative organization for the collection and interchange, with greater economy and efficiency, of information and intelligence for publication in the

"The objects of the association,

stated in the certificate are: "To gather, obtain and procur propriate means, any and all kinds of information and intelligence, telegraphic and otherwise, for the use and benefit of its members and to furnish and supply the same to its members for publication in the newspapers owned or represented by them, under and subject to such regulations, conditions and limitations as may be prescribed by the by-laws; and the mutual co-operation, benefit and protection of its members.

"The certificate further provides and is not to engage in the business of there will be no turning back. selling intelligence, nor traffic in the

thus described in the by-laws, Articles

II, Section 1: shall be eligible as a member of this which are of some importance. corporation in the way and subject to the conditions and limitations herein- munications, however, are so contraafter specified; provided that not more than one person at a time shall be eligible by reason of connection with any | erally in the dispositions of the opposone newspaper. No other person shall ing armies.

How Members Elected

"Members may be elected by the af- | sians. ration (by-laws, Art. III, Sec. 1.) "Members may also be elected by the the members of the corporation is in move, particularly at Smolnik, on the the court room.

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AWAITS GUMMANU TO CHARGE ENEMY By William H. Taft, in Lecture

British People Confident of Success When General Offensive is Taken Up.

NOTES ARE OF INTEREST

Washington, March 17 .- Attorney Text of Correspondence Carries No Surprises With It, However.

London, March 17 .- Sir Edward Grey's reply to the American notes on the use of neutral flags on British merchant vessels and the prohibition imposed on food stuffs destined for Germany, in which for the first time Great Britain definitely announces her intention to "establish a blockade." "The Associated Press was organized again have brought the diplomatic question to the front in England.

The replies, published here with the who, owning or representing certain es, for their terms have been for the sis is past,

Assurances that neutral shipping will be interfered with as little as possible and that neither ships nor cargoes will be confiscated it is felt here should go a long way towards meeting American objections. However, another protest is expected.

Even these diplomatic question on which so much depends, only momentarily distract attention from battles tions against the Dardanelles and the activity of German submarines, which took additional toll today.

Ontimism Prevails in England While Earl Kitchener, Secretary for

War, and other cabinet ministers are bending their energies towards increasing the output of war material and are encouraging recruiting, complete optimism prevaile.

That the victories of last

tailed heavy sacrifices and that the casualty lists must increase as the war progresses is fully realized, but everybody in England believes that when profit nor to make or declare dividends the time comes for the "big push" The armies of Belgium, Great Britain and France are fighting for the

"Those eligible for membership are points which will be of the greatest advantage to the army holding them newspaper, or an executive officer of a gians continue to improve their posithe north of Arras and in Champagne The French and German official com-

dictory that it is difficult to decide whether any change is being made gen-The optimism which pervades the death.

western Allies is shared by the Rus-

Petrograd correspondents of London

river San, where it emerges from the

OF WILSON URGED

at Chapel Hill.

"CRITICAL"

be of the Present Policy Should be Deferred Until the Crisis

Chapel Hill, N. C., March 17. - "The united support of the country of the policies of President Wilson in this critisacl period" of the nation's history, was urged here tonight by former President William H. Taft, who delivered the first of a series of three lectures to students of the University of North Carolina, on "The Presidency."

Mr. Taft declared that the office of President is representative of the dignity of the American people, and that at such a time as this it must have the Chas. A. and George Brown, of hearty approval of the whole people, Weekly Record, Goldsboro, to 30 days if that dignity is to be preserved.

might be of the present policies, he torial criticizing the judge in connec-American notes, contained no surpris- said, should be deferred until the cri-

Emphasizing what he termed th saneness and conservatism which chardent entered a vigorous protest against a Constitutional convention to amend the nation's rundamental law. "There are those," he declared, "who

think they can improve the constituenacted," and advocated a rest for the

country from legislation. Mr. Taft reiterated his belief in a single term of from six to seven years

MRS ANGLE FAINTED

Helen M. Angle, on trial here on a made after the court had adjourned and the jury concerning the events of the process of contempt, but, however repnight of June 23 last, when Ballou met rehensible, redress must be through his end. She is accused of having another tribunal and with ordinary caused Ballou to pitch to his death methods of proceedure. The court chair she had been under questioning, want of jurisdiction, was proper and including vesterday's session, nearly ten hours. Her closing statement was an emphatic denial of having done injury to Ballou on the night of his

Under the strain of cross examina

After she left the stand the defense ship can be elected by the directors Carpathians, while in Bukowina, ac- called several other witnesses, includover the opposition of any member en- cording to unofficial dispatches from ing Leonard Blondell, the defendant's

GERMAN CONSUL ARRESTED ON CHARGE OF CONSPIRACY AND TWO OTHERS WITH HIM

BY SUPREME COURT

Whatever Party Criticisms There May Editors Brown, of Goldsboro, to "Go Without Day."

NO RIGHT TO PUNISH

Past and Ended-Statute plies to Other Cases-Fourteen Opinions

(Special Star Telegram) Raleigh, N. C., March 17.-The Supreme court reverses Judge R. Peebles in his sentence of Editors B. M. Schultz, were served with in jail and \$250 fine for contempt of sulate. They are charged with Whatever party criticisms there his court in the publication of an edition with his conduct in holding a ruptly influence John Murdock, an term of Wayne court. The opinion was one of a batch of 14 handed down this

The opinion in the contempt case is written by Judge Hoke, and concludes with the declaration

"The judgment of the lower court is the defendants go without day".

The court nolds that the statute unhave been enacted by Congress in the ports of trails or other matter pending dor Bernstorff's charge that the past five years, the speaker character- and that the right to punish summarily ized the flood of legislation as a tend- for defamatory reports and criticisms Seattle corporation was shipping ency to yield to the "magic" of "to be of matters past and ended no longer The Supreme court holds that

> might be that if a grossly defamatory udge was presently holding court and about his rulings in such court, the exercise of this summary power might be upheld as essential to the due and orthat his refusal to order a reference of the case was proper.

Opinions handed down follows: Singleton vs Cherry, Beaufort, no

In re Brown, Northampton, versed. Brinkley and Lassiter vs Norfolk Southern and town of Greenville, no

White vs Gwynn, Pamlico, no error. Dupree vs Bridgers, Pitt affirmed State vs Bridgers, Lenoir, no error Watters vs Watters, Duplin, no error

Summerlin vis Morrisey, Duplin, ap eal dismised. Leffel vs Hall, Duplin, no error. Royal vs Southerland, Sampson, af

Leffel vs Hall, Duplin, no error. vs Southerland, Sampson, a: Dunn vs Patrick, Lenoir, affirmed. Causey vs Seaboard Air Line, Ran-

STATE BOARD'S POSITION

does not believe in quarantining small- that after careful consideration of the pox is no reason for charging that it case in the light of arguments for the nothing upon the occurrence of a case reached the conclusion that there is no

"Positions are easy to misconstrue."

American ambassadors at London and such regulations regarding vaccination would close between them, and that no as they may see fit. The board re- outcry was made by the girl until the quires that quarantine officers shall, step-father entered the room unex-"You will please deliver to Sir Ed- within 24 hours placard houses con- pectedly and Harris fled. wan until the appellate division has the operations of blockade would not President Wilson has indicated that a ward Grey, the following identic note taining smallpox patients and furnish. The Governor finds the young man distributes literature and provides for which he considers two years' impris-"In view of the correspondence of the posting of warnings, and also fur-onment in the State's prison sufficient While Germany agreed, it is disclos- bring the belligerents into an agree- which has pased between this govern- nishes free newspaper matter, it says. punishment. He has been in jail six "From all this it is scarcely possible months and is to have credit for this mison told of the procession event of the hard and is to have credit for this that this board is chargeable with neg- in his two years' imprisonment to which the procession brought in his behalf being dismissed. On "mercantile of any flag," except mines, the fixing of a definite rule gov- that this board is chargeable with neg- in his two years' imprisonment to which the procession brought in his behalf being dismissed. On "mercantile of any flag," except mines, the fixing of a definite rule gov- that this board is chargeable with neg- in his two years' imprisonment to which the procession brought in his behalf being dismissed. when they resist visit or search, pro- erning shipments of conditional con- tion of a war zone by the German ad- ligence in the matter of smallpox. On the sentence is commuted. The Govvided foodstuffs were permitted to traband to the civilian population of miralty and the use of neutral flags by the other hand, if the advice of this ernor says the commutation is strongly neutral flags as a ruse of war.

Officials admitted being somewhat puzzled over the British rejection of the proposals made by the traited being somewhat the two beligerent governments may. local city doctor has stated that be-

Attempted to Buy Secrets of Seattle Construction and Drydock Company.

AN EMPLOYE BRIBED

Worker for Construction Company Arrested With Consul and Secretary.

For Reports and Criticism of Matters Free Lance Detective Also in Toils of the Law.

> Seattle, Wash., March 17. - Dr. William Muller, imperial German consul at Seattle, and his secretary, notice of arrest today at the conconspiracy in attempting to coremploye of the Seattle Construction and Drydock Company, by inducing him to sell business secrets of his employers.

Consul Muller and his secretary reversed and judgment entered that are accused by the State of Washington of offering Murdock a cash consideration to supply them with editors to be guilty applies only to information bearing out Ambassaknock-down submarines to the

British government. The information against the German Lundin, county presecutor, jointly charges them and Dan Tarnicasky, a free lance detective, with conspiracy Consul Muller denied tonight that he did he arrange to have them steal pa-

detective only so far as was necessary to determine the truth of the report. The consul expressed confidence in a ceny complaint and Murdock, who will be the state's principal witness, was released under \$1,000 bond. Warrants for the arrest of Consul Muller and his

He declared that Tarnicasky told him

Murdock, in a statement said to have been made to the prosecuting attorney, said the negotiations for the supply of the information said to have been sought by Consul Muller still were pending when he was arrested He said he originally demanded \$1,500,

but later agreed to accept \$1,000. Nine original bills of lading were recovered from under the mattress of Murdock's bed by the prosecuting at-

torney's office. The purpose of these bills has not been revealed by any of the principals. J. V. Patterson, of the dry dock company, says his firm is not building submarines for the British or any other government at war.

dolph, defendant's petition to rehear capes Death Chair. Raleigh, N. C., March 17. - Before

GOVERNOR GIVES REASONS FOR

eaving for Asheville today, Governor muting the sentence of Zack Harris. with intent to commit criminal assalt believes in standing idly by and doing prosecution and the defense, he has element of intent to commit crimine

assault in the case. which requires that upon the appear- home of the prosecutrix while her stepance of a case the local quarantine of- father was at a tobacco barn some disagainst neutrals but not against bel- ficer shall "use all due diligence to tance away and while her mother was warn the public," and gives the county absent from home. The evidence, he whether or municipal authorities the authority insists, precludes the conclusion that this misunderstanding would furnish to require school children to be vac- he intended any violence to the girl if cinated. The law also provides for free his efforts at persuasion failed. He vaccination where subjects are not able was in the room for thirty minutes, to stand the expense, and gives the lo- and the girl's brother was in a comby the Secretary of State to the cal authorities the privilege of making municating room with no door that

Philadelphia, March 17. - Johnny

RECENT NOTES FROM AMERICA TO EUROPEAN BELLIGERENTS AND REPLIES ARE PUBLISHED

by the State Department, constituting the two together presenting in the view to abandon the practice of sinking few weeks between the United States posed course of action previously unthat and Germany and between the United known to international law." virtual blockade by the Allies against

be defined. Great Britain and France be conducted "outside of European wa- strong protest will ters, including the Mediterranean."

Germany Agreed. wilty voted at least 12 times. British Steamer Reaching Key West Britain and her allies rejected the pro- neutral flags as a ruse of war. posal originally made by the United States in an effort to bring the belligerent's into an arrangement which

The answers from Great Britain and the cessation of submarine attacks on the Allies officially regard their policy to attack mercantile of any flag except merchant ships, the shipment of condi- as a "blockade", but desire to refrain when necessary to enforce the right from exercising the lights of belliger- of visit and search." ents under a blockade to confiscate civilians, the use of neutral flags by ships and cargoes as a penalty for officials as a possible reason for the belligerent merchantmen, the removal breach of blockade, substituting pro- misunderstanding is that a newspaper of mines and the proclamation of a cedure in prize courts and compensa- report reached Great Britain to the

The definition of a "radius of activity" for the Allied fleet in European ligerent merchantmen. waters, including the Mediterranean, is the first intimation of the geographical limits of the blockade.

Slate Left Clean. The publication of the corresponnotes and leaves the United States conor not it will acquiesce in the form of

The notes are: The effort of the United States to

Washington, March 17 .- Six diplo- | carried out under the rules of a block- | Germany to this note has been publications. matic notes were made public tonight ade or by interference with ships and lished and it is not understood that Replies to Intimation That it is Neglicargoes "as if no blockade existed," | the German government are prepared the entire correspondence of the last of the American government a "pro- British merchant vessels by marines."

> The only explanation advanced by effect that Germany had agreed to

> abandon her submarine warfare the basis for further negotiation.

The following identic note was sent

event of the habeas corpus proceedings ed, to abandon her submarine attacks ment on the use of submarines and ment and Great Britain and Germany reach her civilian population, Great a belligerent, and the abandonment of British merchant vessels, this governthe proposals made by the United basis for agreement which will relieve