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UNITED STATES NOT TO TOLERATE LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR DUMBA

Ambassador Penfield at Vienna Told To Make U. S. Attitude Clear To Austria

AMERICA TO INSIST UPON ENVOY'S RECALL

Should Dual Monarchy Refuse Washington's Request This Country Could Hand Ambassador His Passports; Believe Austria Misunderstands Situation Here

Washington, Sept. 25.—Ambassador Penfield at Vienna has been instructed to make clear to the Austrian government informally that the United States must insist on the recall of Dr. Dumba, the Austrian Ambassador here, and that his departure "on leave of absence" would not be satisfactory.

From the messages exchanged between Ambassador Penfield and the State Department, it is apparent that the Austrian government misunderstood the desires of the United States. It was intimated at first to Ambassador Penfield that the Austrian government might recall Dr. Dumba on leave of absence and might desire safe conduct for him.

Dr. Dumba himself telegraphed for such safe conduct a few days later, informing the State Department that he had been granted leave of absence. No action was taken on his return, but it was forwarded to Ambassador Penfield.

Instructions sent to Mr. Penfield were not disclosed but he has been authorized to make it clear that Dr. Dumba's usefulness as the Austrian Ambassador to the United States has ceased and that it would nevertheless still remain accredited.

The right of a government to demand the recall of an ambassador because of his personal acts is unquestioned under international law, and accordingly officials, if the Austrian government persisted in refusing to recall Dr. Dumba, passports could be handed to him.

AUSTRIAN WILL FIGHT EXTRADITION FROM U. S.

Youngstown, O., Sept. 25.—When Joseph Czepielowski, an Austrian subject, appeared in common pleas court today to answer questions of the Austrian government regarding treasonable utterances here, he refused to answer questions under advice of his attorney. The attorney declares that his client will fight any attempt that may be made to extradite him and carry the case to the Supreme Court if necessary. Joseph Barzani, a witness swore that he heard Czepielowski make remarks against Austria. The witness also admitted that he himself had served time for stealing in Austria and had also been employed by the Austrian government in Vienna. The depositions taken today will be forwarded to Ernest Ludwig, Austrian consul at Cleveland.

\$100,000 FIRE DESTROYS NORFOLK LUMBER YARD

Norfolk, Va., Sept. 25.—Fire early today destroyed thirty dry kiln, filled with lumber at the Poughburg Lumber Company plant and damaged the saw mill and machinery building. The loss is estimated at from \$100,000 to \$150,000. Officials of the company stated that the plant would be in operation on Monday and that all the burned kilns would be rebuilt.

CAPT. VON PAPAN TO GO TO MEXICO TUESDAY

San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 25.—Capt. Franz von Papan, military attaché of the German embassy at Washington, and Prince von Hatzfeldt, who are visiting this city, will leave next Tuesday for Mexico. It was announced today that the German government has decided to send them to Mexico as their exact destination and the object of their visit to the southern republic.

EX-BANKER AND WIFE ARE FOUND MURDERED

Princeton, Wis., Sept. 25.—Capt. Robert Mueller, former banker of Milwaukee and a member of the Governor's staff of the National Guard, and his wife, were found slain today in the smoldering ruins of their summer cottage at Puckaway Lake, Wisconsin. Their skulls were crushed and the cottage fired in an evident attempt to hide the crime.

TORREON EVACUATED BY VILLA; CARRANZA ENTERS

Laredo, Texas, Sept. 25.—Villa troops are evacuating Torreón and Carranza forces are entering that city tonight, according to a telegram received at Carranza headquarters in Nuevo Laredo. Details were withheld.

Reports today indicated the Villa forces would offer stubborn resistance to the Carranza troops who were said to be approaching Torreón from three directions. Unconfirmed reports here said Villa was destroying the railway lines behind him as he retreated.

ATTACHE EXPLAINS "IDIOTIC YANKEES"

San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 25.—Captain Franz von Papan, military attaché to the German embassy at Washington, who is here with Prince von Hatzfeldt, counselor of the embassy, denied today that the expression "Idiotic Yankees" contained in the letter entrusted to J. F. J. Archibald, and intercepted by the British authorities, was intended to apply to American people.

"The much discussed letter was to my wife," he said. "In passing it may be said that publishing a man's letter to his wife is deemed bad form. When the British authorities at Falmouth found these letters on Mr. Archibald, they pounced with avidity on the two words that have made all this trouble."

"They published only an excerpt of my letter, thus changing its meaning entirely. My wife, or any one else reading the letter from start to finish would have gathered that the expression 'Idiotic Yankees' referred to the publisher of a New York newspaper. The newspaper had been calling us conspirators and other objectionable epithets. It grew especially vehement after a portfolio containing certain of our private papers that had been stolen from one of our men in the train. In writing to my wife I dealt with these publications. Not a word did the British publish about those parts of my letter."

TERRAZAS AND SON ESCAPE MEXICANS

Chihuahua Millionaire, Hostage 18 Months, Reported On Way To Border

El Paso, Texas, Sept. 25.—After being held hostage for about 18 months, Luis Terrazas, Jr., son of General Luis Terrazas, together with his son, Guillermo Terrazas, have escaped from Chihuahua City and are en route to the border overland, according to official Villa advices today. Three guards at the Chihuahua jail are reported to have been shot on suspicion of complicity in the escape.

After the migration of the Terrazas family to the United States, abandoning their ranch, which included vast areas in the State of Chihuahua, Luis Terrazas, Jr., was caught and held hostage for the political activity of the family in the United States and incidentally for a ransom of \$500,000 demanded of General Luis Terrazas on a threat to kill his son.

MILDRED POTTER DIES AT SPARTANBURG, S. C.

Spartanburg, S. C., Sept. 24.—Miss Mildred Potter, one of the most popular of the younger singers on the concert stage, died of appendicitis Friday night in New York, according to a telegram from her mother, received here today by Edward J. Potter, director of the Spartanburg Music Festival, in which Miss Potter was the featured star the past two seasons.

Miss Potter's voice had won for her a wide popularity, especially in the south and west, and such critics as Walter Damrosch and Oscar Seeger had predicted a great future for her.

SECOND NEW YORK SUBWAY CRASH KILLS ONE, INJURES THREE OTHERS

Trolley Stops On Brink of 30-Foot Cave-In Mile From That On Wednesday When Seven Persons Were Killed; Heavy Traffic Blamed

New York, Sept. 25.—One death and the injury of three other persons resulted from the caving in of the street over the new subway in Broadway near 23rd street tonight. An unidentified woman, who was caught in the falling debris, died later in a hospital. The others injured were men. The police and firemen continued their search for several workmen reported missing.

The accident occurred a few blocks from the heart of the theatre district shortly before 1 o'clock and Broadway was crowded with people.

DENIES S. INSULT



Captain Franz von Papan.

Yesterday Captain von Papan declared at San Francisco that he did not intend any insult to Americans in the words "Idiotic Yankees" which were mentioned in despatches from London as being in a letter from him found on Archibald by the British authorities. "The letter was to my wife," said Mr. von Papan, "and it was deemed bad form for the British to publish it. The attaché said that the words were directed at an American newspaper, which had criticized him and that the meaning was misconstrued because only part of the letter was printed."

BOTH SIDES DENY CAUSING ATTACK

Gen. Funston and Mexican Leader Disclaim Responsibility For Border Trouble

Washington, Sept. 25.—Major General Funston, commanding United States troops on the border, and General Nafarrete, the Carranza commander, both disclaim for their men responsibility for the fighting yet near Progreso, Texas, in which one American trooper was killed and an officer was wounded, while the casualties of the Mexican raiders are not known.

Reporting to the War Department, General Funston said his men had repelled the raiding party which fled across the border under the protection of soldiers "in uniform" who were entrenched on the other side. The Carranza agency gave out a telegram from General Nafarrete asserting that there were no Carranza troops in the vicinity.

Full Report Made. A full report on recent fighting along the border was made to the State Department.

JAMAICA IN GRIP OF GULF HURRICANE

Kingston, Jamaica, Sept. 25.—High gales have prevailed in Kingston during the past 24 hours and it is believed the storm in the outlying districts must be considerable in intensity, as most of the districts are cut off from telegraph communication with this city.

It is feared the western section of the storm may feel the full force of the storm.

LITTLETON FARMER SHOT TO DEATH BY NEGRO

Littleton, Sept. 25.—J. V. Smith, a prominent farmer, was shot to death at his home near here early today by William Alston, a negro employe, as the result of an argument. Alston was arrested by Chief of Police J. F. Culom and was placed in jail here. He is said to have confessed to the shooting.

ROOSEVELT ACCEPTS DURHAM INVITATION

Washington, D. C., Sept. 25.—Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt, assistant secretary of the navy, invited by Rev. Dr. John J. Hurt, pastor of the First Baptist church of Durham, to deliver an address, one of a series of lectures to be given by prominent men, some Sunday this fall, has accepted. The invitation was extended through Secretary Daniels.

Woman, were in an automobile that was carried down into the hole. The other person injured was believed to be a workman.

A crowded street car was approaching the spot, just before the cave-in. The motorman saw the trucks ahead, sag and stopped his car in time to prevent it from being carried down.

At least a score of persons were carried down with the mass of twisted timbers. The majority were pulled out without difficulty.

Gas and water mains were broken in the cave-in but the flow was quickly shut off.

Travis H. Whitney, Secretary of the Public Service Commission, said that the timber construction work was inspected yesterday and announced in good condition.

Tonight's accident occurred less than a mile from that of Wednesday when there were seven deaths.

CRISIS EXPECTED SOON IN BALKANS; BELGIUM SHELLED

Great Developments Imminent With Greece and Bulgaria Facing Each Other

GERMANS BOMBARDED BY BRITISH FLEET

Continuous Firing Reported From Holland; Ostend, Zeebrugge Shelled By English Warships; Official Reports Lacking From Both Fronts Last Night

Berlin, Sept. 25.—(Via London, Sept. 25.)—The German official communication says that, after an artillery preparation of great intensity, which at some points lasted fifty hours, the expected Anglo-French offensive has begun on the western front.

The communication claims that the northern British wing already has been repulsed, and that the French also have been repulsed near Souchez, Neuville and at most points between Champagne and The Argonne; their retreating columns losing very heavily from artillery fire.

London, Sept. 25.—The development of events in the Balkans and on the Belgian coast, of which the general public have only the haziest knowledge, has been a source of anxiety, even the Russian front, where there have been heavy counter-strokes against the Austro-Germans, being for the moment overshadowed.

As far as the Balkans are concerned, the present crisis is considered more suited to military than diplomatic action, one minister stating that great developments are imminent. With Greece and Bulgaria armed against each other and Russia halting to take sides, nothing less could be expected.

Belgian Coast Shelled. The British fleet, however, are more anxious to know what is happening near home. Since Monday last there has been a more or less continuous bombardment of Ostend, Zeebrugge and other points on the Belgian coast, and, according to rumor, an enterprise is being attempted which may change the whole aspect of the war on the western front.

The activity displayed by the British fleet apparently has not been left undisputed, for dispatches from Holland say heavy firing has been heard on many occasions during the week to the north of Ameland which would indicate, that, if the Germans have not actually undertaken to oppose the British ships, part of the German fleet was in the area and was being harried. But, in the absence of either British or German official reports, everything is spoken.

Reports Are Lacking. This applies, too, to events on the Russian front, for since the publication early this morning of the Russian communication, nothing official has been received of developments there, except the Vienna report, which tells nothing except what was already known. The Russians are believed to be more than holding their own at various points along their line.

In the west the artillery is the only arm that could be considered at all active, while in the Dardanelles and on the Italian frontier the heavy gun fire has been occasionally interrupted to give local detachments of infantry an opportunity to attack.

40,000 GARMENT MEN PLAN STRIKE IN WEST

Chicago, Sept. 25.—Chief of Police Healey late today ordered all police furloughs cancelled and summoned his chief assistants to lay plans for emergencies in anticipation of a strike of forty thousand garment workers on Monday.

Leaders of the garment workers, who are members of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of Chicago, tonight declared that a strike was inevitable and would be called at noon Monday.

Labor leaders contended that the strike, if called, would affect all members of the organization in the United States.

The demands include the adoption of a 48-hour week, observance without deduction in pay of all legal holidays, overtime pay at the rate of time and a half, recognition of the union, and a level increase of 25 per cent in all wages.

TO TRY OUT DEFENSES ON ATLANTIC COAST

Newport, R. I., Sept. 25.—Maneuvers for trying out the defenses of the New York, New London and Boston will be carried out next month between the forts and four divisions of destroyers. It was learned today, while the details were not made public, it is believed, that the efficiency of searchlights and the determination of ranges.

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Different posts promise to secure a definite number of new members. The occasion was featured by a discussion by National President Charles F. Tomlinson, of High Point, of conditions of the association generally, and specially with regard to the mat-

ter of increasing membership in the State.

Interesting reports were made by several of the committee and discussion of these were profitable. E. W. McNairy reported for railroad committee; J. Frank Wilkes for press committee; O. E. Wilson for hotel committee; and J. W. Cooper for employment committee; W. J. Aray for good roads committee; Mr. Wilkes spoke of the liberality of the press to the organization, and urged the local posts to take advantage of it and preach the gospel—T. P. A.

The treasurer's report was very flattering and showed a nice gain over previous years. The membership committee said plans were on foot for posts at Salisbury, Henderson, and Washington. President Tomlinson commented on roads, repairs and urged maintenance and sign boards.

FRENCH PRESIDENT COMFORTING WAR HERO



No European ruler of the warring European nations, not even the Kaiser, spends more time among his troops than does President Poincaré, of France. This photograph shows him shaking hands with a wounded French hero and inquiring about his condition. The picture was taken very recently in the military hospital St. Nicholas at Ixey-le-Moulineux.

SCHENCK, PIONEER COTTON MAN, DIES

Served as Major in Civil War and Built First Cotton Mill at Cleveland

Shelby, Sept. 25.—Major H. P. Schenck, pioneer cotton manufacturer, legislator, financier and friend of education died in the Rutherford Hospital this morning at 7:15, following an operation which he underwent two weeks ago. He was president of the Cleveland Mill and Power Company, Lawndale Railroad, board of directors of board of trustees of Thomaston orphanage, vice president of Lily Mill and Power Company. He would have been 80 years old in November.

Major Schenck was active man of good habits, superb business acumen and unapproachable character. For a number of years he was moderator of the Kings Mountain Baptist Association. When a young man he graduated at Cokesbury Military School in South Carolina and was elected colonel of the State militia after his return home.

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BATTLE TIDES NOW SWINGING IN FAVOR OF RUSSIANS' ARMIES

Moscovites Winning Ground Except In North Where Germans Report Progress

STUBBORN BATTLES ARE BEING FOUGHT

With Fortress of Lutsk Again In Their Possession Forces of Czar Move To Recapture Dubno; Claim 45,000 Austrians Captured In Eighteen Days

Sofia, via London, Sept. 26.—It is semi-officially stated that Bulgaria has merely declared an armed neutrality, like Holland and Switzerland at the beginning of the war, and will continue conversations with the two belligerent groups.

The battle tide on the eastern front seems to be swinging more with the Russians, except in the north, where Dvinsk is under heavy attack, with the Germans making headway in their drive on this fortified city on the Dvina.

Stubborn battles were in progress when the latest official statements were issued, for important positions both north and south of the Niemen, including the important railroad junctions at Baranovichi, about 75 miles southwest of Minsk, and Molodechno, (Continued on Page Two.)

ITALIAN MINISTER OF MARINE RESIGNS

Rome, September 25, via Paris.—The cabinet has accepted the resignation of Vice-Admiral Leone Viale, the Minister of Marine. Premier Salandra assumes the post fully provisionally. The retirement of the minister is attributed to ill health.

HELD FOR SMUGGLING BULGARIANS INTO U. S.

Toledo, Ohio, Sept. 25.—Charged with smuggling 16 or more Bulgarians from Windsor, Ont., to Detroit, then to Toledo, Mike Tonoff, a Bulgarian, was arrested here today by government officers. The arrest followed affidavits made by some of the men brought across.

The call received from Washington yesterday ordering 100 Bulgarian officers to report at New York preparatory to their departure for the front, the expose of Tonoff's activities, officers say. It was said Tonoff received from \$5 to \$25 for each man he brought across.

LOAN NEGOTIATIONS NOW MARKING TIME

New York, Sept. 25.—Negotiations toward establishing a half billion dollar credit loan to Great Britain and France marked time today. Many of the American bankers who have been in consultation with the Anglo-French financial committee, and with the financial section over the short business session, and the commission itself received fewer callers than on any previous day of its stay here.

The extent of this situation could be found who would deny a generally credited report that the commission had submitted to the British and French governments the rough draft of terms satisfactory to American bankers, and with a word from Paris and London before proceeding further with negotiations. The general belief was that a reply would be received here by Monday.

One report that was definitely denied to depart for Europe next Saturday. No arrangements, it was said, had been made for their return home.

It appeared to be no change tonight in the reported tentative terms of the loan, the maximum to be \$500,000,000 to be covered by an issue of joint Anglo-French five-year notes bearing interest at the rate of 5 per cent and to be sold to the investor at less than par.

This figure as yet undetermined was said to be such as to yield the investor approximately 5 1/2 per cent.

War Summary

The British and French troops have united a far-reaching offensive movement against the German entrenchments on the western front. One of the most terrific bombardments of the entire war has preceded the advance of the infantry, who have engaged the Germans in hand to hand combat in front of and in the very trenches.

The most important action probably has taken place in Champagne, where the French threw thousands of shells into the German trenches, shelters, blockhouses and batteries and then began a fierce assault on the opposing lines between the Suippe and the Aisne rivers.

The extent of this assault is not recorded in the French official communication, which, however, declares that the first line of German positions on that front has been occupied and that the French are still making progress.

There has been particularly hard fighting also in the north of Artois, where the Anglo-French troops have gained a foothold at several points in the German line.

The German war office officially announced that the German troops had been repulsed in several places.