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BERLIN ADMITS THE MEXICAN INTRIGUE AND FORBIDS PUBLICATION IN GFRI

German Government Admits Sending the Instructions to the Minister in Mexico and He Was to Act in Case He Knew War Would Be Declared Between the United States and Germany-Berlin Papers Ordered Not to Publish a Word About the Affair-Knoweldge Would Lead to Zimmermann's Resignation and Whole Affair is Regarded as a Help to the Entente Allies and Greatly Strengthens the Hands of President Wilson.

Washington, March 3 .--- President Wilson has no intention of taking any action that would bring on war with Germany unless Congress is summoned in special session. This information has been conveyed to Congress by the President who takes the position if no extra crises arises there will be no use of an extra session of Congress until late Spring, and then only to pass any appropriation bills that fail to pass at the regular session.

(By Associated Press.)

London, March '3 .- Foreign Secretary Zimmermann's instructions to the German minister in Mexico City, as published in the United States, are admitted in Berlin to have been correctly quoted, according to a Rueters dispatch from Amsterdam.

The dispatch quotes the following received at Amsterdam from the Wolf news cureau which is regarded German news bureau.): as semi-official:

"The American press contains reports about the instructions from the that a German plot had been revealed is so heavy as to greatly increase the German minister of foreign affairs to get Mexico to declare war against weight of the boxes. to the German minister in Mexico in the United States and to secure Japthe event that Germany, after her an's aid against the United States. proclamation of unrestricted submarine warfare, failed to keep the Unitbased on the facts.

asked other neutrals to follow her against Germany. example. Anticipating these possithe duty of our government to take It means nothing but that we are usitary conflict with the United States war in case the United States de--in order to balance, if possible, or clares war. the adhesion of a new country to our enemies, the German minister was in- 'alleged plot' is its conditions and restructed in the middle of January, in forms. The whole 'plot' fails falls event of war with the United States flat to the ground in case the United was declared, he should offer to the States does not declare war against Mexican government and alliance and us." he was instructed to furnish the details. These instructions to the Ger- JAPAN SURPRISED man minister provided for no advance towards the Mexican government unless he knew to a certainty that America was going to declare war.

How the American government received these instructions sent in a secret way to Mexico is not known. It appears that the treachery, and it must have been only treachery, was

committed on American soil. A Central News dispatch says that Berlin dispatches regard the instruc-German minister in Mexico as semi- ter.

German Press Forbidden to Publish

Facts. London, March 3.-The German press has been ordered not to publish a word regarding the American-Mexican revelations until further notice, according to an Amsterdam dispatch. It says that only a few circles are mains faithful to her allies. aware of the intrigue, and it is considered possible that the result of the affair becoming general knowledge would mean the resignation of Foreign Minister Zimmermann and the ending of the diplomatic career of Count Von Bernstorff. News Caused a Sensation at The

Hague.
The Hague, March 3.—The news of the German intrigue in Mexico causas a stroke of good fortune for the cause of the entente allies and has immensely strengthen the hand of President Wilson.

day and Wednesday, remained practically stationary.

The upward course of hogs, which carried them to a top price of \$13.56, was halted.

ZIMMERMANN SAYS

German Foreign Minister Fails to See How Such a "Plot" Could Be Classed as Unfriendly-Falls Flat War Against Germany.

Berlin via Sayville, March 3.-The following was given out today by the der the wooden tox that the Paris Overseas News Agency (the official

seas News Agency about the report also the mail from the United States

Secretary Zimmermann answered: me to discuss the facts of the 're vealed plot' just at this moment, and Philadelphia, March 2.- Financial After the decision had been made under these circumstances I therefore agents of the Mexican government, it Major Elvin R. Heiberg Accidentally widing machineny for city government will have been completed. to begin unrestricted submarine war- may be allowed to limit my answer to has been learned here, have made infare on February 1st, we had to rec- what has been said in the English re- quiry at the Philadelphia mint rekon on the previous attitude of the port, which certainly was not inspir- garding prices and facilities for mint-American government with a possibi- ed by sympathy with Germany. The ing Mexican gold coins. Within the lity of a conflict with that country. English report expressly states that last ten days a representative of This calculation was right as is prov- Germany expected and wished to re- Stallforth & Co., New York bankers, tache at Rome, was accidentally killen by the fact that the American main on terms of friendship with the asked the price per thousand pieces ed Thursday while riding on the Italgovernment severed diplomatic relations with Germany soon after the pared measures of defense in case pieces. He was told the mint could partment today from the embassy proclamation of a barred zone and the .United States declared war

"I fail to see how such a plot is inbilities it was not only the right but spired by unfriendliness on our part. precaution in time-in event of a mil- ing means universally admitted in

"The most important part of the

AT GERMANY

Cannot Imagine What Germany is Thnking About and Says it is Needless to Say Japan Remains Faith-

ful to Her Allies. Tokio, Japan, March 2.-The declaration of the Japanese government through Viscount Monicio that Japan has no proposition from either Mexico or Germany was supplemented today by a statement to the Associattion which Zimmermann sent to the ed Press by the Vice-Foreign Minis-

> "We are greatly surprised to hear of the German proposition," he said. "We cannot imagine what Germany is thinking about to conceive that she could possitly involve us in war with the United States merely by asking Mexico. This is too ridiculous for words. Needless to say Japan re-

"SPUDS" DROP IN CHICAGO.

Eggs and Hog Prices Remain at a Standstill.

Chicago, March 2.-The Chicago potato market today reflected the decreased use of that vegetable in a decrease in the wholesale price ranging from 15 to 30 cents a bushel. Eggs, after a 7-cent drop of Tues-

CLEAR AND COLDER.

Washington, March 3,-Clearing and colder weather Sunday followed by several days of clear and moderate cold is forecasted for the Southeastern States for the week beginning tomorrow. Fair weather is predicted after to-

REPRESENTATIVE CONRY OF N. Y. DIES IN WASHINGTON

Washington, March 2.-Represenative Michael F. Conry of New York City, a Democratic member of Congress for four terms and re-elected for a fifth, died at a hospital today from kidney trouble. He was 47 years old. He had been at the Capitol regularly until last week. As a member of the ways and means committee had worked hard in connection with framing the revenue bill and other legislation.

The death of one of the Democratic members-elect may have an important effect upon the political complexion of the House in the sixty-fifth congress. The Democrats and Republicans elected 215 members each and there are five independents upon whom depnds which party shall organize the next House.

DEFENSE MEASURES. WOMEN WILL DELIVER THE MAIL IN PARIS

Paris, March 2 .- Women letter carriers will soon be delivering mail in if United States Does Not Declare Paris. Preference will be given to wives of soldiers.

Doubt has been expressed as to whether women will be able to shoulpostmen carry. The wooden boxes now are well filled since several mail "Foreign Minister Zimmermann deliveries have been suppressed or asked by a staff member of the Over- consolidated with others. Some times

MAY MINT MEXICAN COINS.

"You understand, it is impossible Carranza Said to Be Sending \$20,- AMERICAN MILITARY

The price was not made public.

Authority to do the work must come from the director of the mint at Washington. It was said at the mint that unofficial information had reached there that master dies, made at the Philadelphia mint for the Mexican government ten years ago, are on the way here.

It was reported that Rafael Nieto, of the Mexican treasury, is bringing \$20,000,000 in gold bars here, nothing was known of this at the

CUTS OFF CHILD'S HANDS.

Allentown, Pa., March 2.-Railroad men report that a foreigner at Port Morris named Worlovekoski became enraged at his little daughter and cut off both of her hands because she threw his pay check into the fire. The child bled to death, and her mother dropped dead when she found

The father is a section hand, and had just received his pay from the railroad company. He brought it into the stove.

When Worlovekoski returned he a block and with an ax chopped off conia and also that the president of both her hands a little above the the Trans-Atlantic Company was unwrists. The foreigner was taken into willing to travel through the danger

The most important point," says Albert Ballin, "is to cut off traffic between America and England." The point is not without importance also in an America with goods to sell .-New York World.

Lloyd George's frank announcement as to food conditions are in ac-cord with the general impression that this is a war in which "bluffing" is of no service.-Washington Star.

BILL GOES TO PRESIDENT.

Washington, March 3 .- The Senate today agreed to the conference report on the forty million dollars legislative, judicial and executive supply measure. The bill now goes to the President.

\$5,000 TO PATRON'S WIDOW

Philadelphia, March 2.-The liability of saloon keepers for furnishing "by gift' sale or otherwise" liquor drink, was fixed by a jury before Judge Staples in the Court of Common Pleas today, when a widow was awarded \$5,000 in damages against Cornelius P. Quinn, a liquor dealer.

The award was made to Mrs. Mary McCusker, who has five young children. Her husband, Frank A. Mc-Cusker, was a mill worker. He died on June 10, 1916, shortly after being induced by friends to have several drinks in Quinn's saloon, it was testified. He fell in leaving the saloon, striking his head on the pavement. His skull was fractured. It was contended that the indirect cause of Mc-Cusker's fatal injury was the fact while in the saloon he was allowed to get an over supply of liquor, and that the saloon keeper was responsible.

MEXICAN MINISTER ENTERE DENIAL.

Says His Government Had Not Been

Approached by German With View to Forming Alliance to Make War on United States. Guadalajara, Mexico, March 3.-

The Provisional Minister of Foreign Relations today formally denied that Mexico had been approached by Germany with the object of forming an alliance hostile to the United States. Constitution to assure six months' The statement given out by the Mexican Foreign Minister says:

"The government of Mexico has not received in behalf of the government of Germany any proposal for an alliance looking toward war with the United States.'

ATTACHE KILLED.

(By Associated Press.) Washington, March 3 .- Major Elvin R. Heiberg, American military atmanufacture 60,000 pieces a week. said the officer was at the front on observation duty when killed.

CHEAP FISH FOR NEW YORK.

Mayor's Food Commission Orders Great Quantities of Fish From Tacoma, Washington.

(By Associated Press.) Friday fish dinners several thousand smales from the Columbia river at ing restored for consideration by the six cents a pound. Atlantic coast cents a pound. The mayor's food supply commission bought a car load of announced that large quantities could amount of \$3,000 from taxation and be purchased at the same prices today, swelts having been placed on sale position. Little, of Anson, and Brock at forty grocery stores in different vote dagainst the bill, which is now parts of the city.

CONFISCATES U. S. SHIPS.

British Court Refuses Further Delay

in Prize Case. London, March 2.-The British prize court today refused to postpone home and placed it upon the table. the confiscation in the case of the While he was upstairs the child, not steamers Kankakee, Hocking and and alleged to be German owned.

Eurther postponement of the conzone to testify.

Mr. A. B. Saleeby this morning renoon at 3 o'clock.

CASWELL SCHOOL

Senate Passes \$75,000 Bond Bill for Training School and Provides for Reformatory.

CERTIFICATION, INSTITUTE

Forty-two Senators Signify Intention of Remaining on Ground

Until Session Closes.

(Special to the Post.) Raleigh, March 3 .- The Senate today passed the certification and institute conductors bill, thus making it law. It also passed the \$75,000 bond bill for the Caswell Training School for Feeble Minded and \$25,000 for a to any person visibly affected by tute omnibus bill, appointment of ing cards. Instructions will be given county boards of education, making to the Prefects of the different deseveral changes in the House appoin-

In the House Senator Pollock's bill prohibiting intermarriage of the population to assure that in the disraces" when blood is of the remotest tribution of milk preference is given degree was killed on second reading, while the House was in great confusion. Senator Pollock's personal efforts to reconsider it failed and the measure was lost.

Answering inquiry as to how many members would remain through the session 42 Senators were favorable. The House holds tonight and will determine its course

The House passed the State Highway Commission bill diverting the automobile fund by which 70 per cent returns to the counties and 30 per cent will be used by th State.

Some Amendments Passed the Senate Raleigh, March 2.—Bills to amend the Constitution passed the Senate today in rapid succession subject to ratification by the people. They were the Scales bill for initiative and referendum; the Governor Bckett measure to exempt from taxation notes and mortgages to the amount of \$3,-000, when given for purchase of farm homes and the Oates bill to amend the schools for every county. One other, that to limit State officers to two successive terms of office and county officers to three terms (another Governor Bickett proposition) went to the table because passage was useless since the House had tabled a dupli-

Municipal Bill Passes. The House tonight passed, without amendment, the municipal bill pro-Meets Death While Riding on the under the Constitutional amendments Italian Front on Observation Duty. and passed the substitute composite MANN EXPECTS EXTRA SESSION freight steamers by the German subbill made up of the Pegram and the that worked out by the joint committee of the House and Senate. There was an effort, through amendments, by Grier and Doughton to change the basis of elections on the propositions to change forms of government, but of an extra session before next sumproposed amendments were voted down, the rol' call being 48 to 52. The bill then passed its readings. "Bone Dry" Bill.

The House received the Jonas "bone dry" bill from the Senate. passed late last night, and assigned it to the unfavorable calendar under New York, March 2 .- For their the rule as subject matter on which the House has heretofore acted un-New York families today bought favorably. It is precluded from befact that two-thirds majority would smales have been selling at eighteen be necessary to put it on the calendar. Next the House bill came up to

exempt notes and mortgages given for Pacific coast fish from Tacoma, Wash. the purchase of farm homes to the was passed with practically no op- sity, and the investigations are to be ready for ratification.

President Gardner next offered the Senate bill to amend the Constitution to limit terms of State officers to two terms and county officers to three terms. This was another Governor Bickett measure. However, there was motion to table that carried with it the explanation that the House had already tabled a duplicate of it and knowing what the check was, put it Genesee, all flying the American flag, there was no possibility of its getting through that body.

The Scales bill for a constitutional missed the check, and the little tot fiscation decree was sought on the amendment to incorporate the prinpointed toward the fire. The father ground that documents essential to ciple of initative and referendum to seized the child and carried her to the defendants were lost on the La- vote was 35 to 12 and the measure was sent tothe House.

Other bills passed in the following order: Bridge bonds for Iredell, amend Winston-Salem charter, pro-vide for retirement bonds for coun-ties, Yadkin bonds for bridges, school bonds for Kinston, financial machinceived a telegram announcing the bonds for Kinston, financial machindeath of a cousin, Mr. Farrah N. fish law, amend Avery road law, allow Saleeby, aged 23, at Asheville. The a woman on the Nash County Board remains will be taken to his home in of Education, city manager for Golds-Florence, S. C., where the funeral and interment takes place tomorow after-Pender primary law, repeal Pitt high-Edward Whitehead, a student of ville dog law, sinking fund for school Davidson, is home for a few days vis-bonds in Greenville, regulate Sunday

Fair and colder may increase the

APPROPRIATION FOR NORTH CAROLINA IS NOW "BONE DRY," PRESIDENT HAVING SIGNED THE BILL

Albemarle Sound, relative to Onslow County courts, fix salaries of Pitt of Postal Bill Receives Signature ficers, increase Bertie board of edu

Senator Harding introduced out of order his bill appropriating \$150,000 for ne whuildings for the State School CONDUCTORS BILL PASSES for the Blind to be erected on the new site near the city. It was given immediate passage and sent to the

> BREAD CARDS TO B E ISSUED IN FRANCE

Wounded, Sick, Children and Aged to Have Preference, in Milk Distribu-

Paris, March 1 .- Minister of Proisions Herriot made today this announcement

"To avoid waste, the Minister of Provisions has decided to regulate woman's reformatory, and the substi- the consumption of bread by institutpartments to put the new regulation into effect."

The Minister is also studying measures to be applied in large centres of to the wounded, sick, children and the the President signed the postal bill. aged.

REPUBLICANS LIMIT

ACTIVITIES.

Will Concentrate Fight During Remainder of Session on Certain Measures, But LaFollette May Make General Fight. (By Associated Press.)

Washington, March 3.- The legislative situation in Congress today, according to the optimistic views, indicate that Senate Republicans have decded to limit activities for the remainder of the session to the following: Passage of the army appropriation bill; approval of the House reso lution for a \$150,000,000 naval bond issue; enactment of armed neutrality cill; Republican leaders, howeve were without any assurance from La-Follette, who may oppose it.

LAYS OFF SHELL MAKERS.

Baldwin Works Completes Shell Contract for Britain.

Philadelphia, March 2.—Eighteen hundred men employed by the Bald-win Locomotive Works in making 13-inch shells for the entente allies were laid off today because of completed contracts, according to an an-

nouncement by the company. Within the next six months other

Brenizer bills, the substitute being But Does Not Look for Its Being Called Together Until Next Summer ously had been reported foundered -Some Bills May Not Pass.

Washington, March S .- Republican Leader Mann in a speech this afternoon said there was every probability mer. He said it was evident the Senate is not likely to pass the army, sundry civil, military academy and general deficiency appropriation bills.

\$60,000 TO FIND PTOMAINE.

Canners Provide Money, and Harvard Will Make Research.

Cambridge, Mass., March 2. extensive research into the subject of about 27 to 28 points net higher. The ptomaine poisoning, with especial reference to canned goods, is to be made at Harvard. The National Canners' Association

has offered \$20,000 annually for three years ti investigate food poisoning. This has been accepted by the univercarried out by the Harvard Medical School under the direction of Dr. Milton J. Rosenau, professor of preventive medicine.

CUBANS RAID BRITISH SHIP.

Mobile, Ala., March 2.-Cuban revolutionists forcibly searched the British schooner Perceler in the harbor at Neuvitas, Cuba, Feb. 14, according to a story told here today by Capt.

R. A. Russell, master of the vessel. R. A. Russell, master of the vessel. All firearms and ammunition on coard were carried off, he said.

Would Impeach Texas Governor. (By Associated Press.)

Austin, Texas, March 3.-Impe ment charges were filed against Governor James E. Ferguson in the Tex-

Death at Kesler Mill. Mrs. O. S. Gryder, aged 28 years, died this morning at her home near arrangements have yet been made for the funeral. Surviving are the husband and two children.

of President and Is Effective at Once-Federal Government Prohibits Shipment of Liquors Into North Carolina and Other States-Liquor Correspondence Barred

WILSON SIGNS P. O. APPROPRIATION BILL.

From Mails.

Washington, March 3-President Wilson today signed the postoffice appropriation bill containing the "bone dry" prohibition bill provisions.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, March 3 .- The "bone ry" provision became effective when

Six Southern States, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi, and at least eight others, are added to the "bone dry" territory, and hereafter it will be unlawful to import liquor in any quantity for personal use into

these States. The same bill prohibits the delivery in the mails of any publication or any correspondence bearing liquor advertisements in States which by their own laws prohibit such advertising in their borders.

VIOLENT INFANTRY ATTACKS ON BOTH SIDES ANCRE,

Otherwise the Military Operations on the European War Fronta Are of Only Minor Importance.

(By Associated Press.) Military operations yesterday were comparatively of minor importance. Berlin reports violent infantry engagements on both sides of the Ancre where the great German retirement was been taking place. No mention is made of ground gained or lost.

Only raiding operations occurred in the other Franco-Belgian sectors and the same is true of the Russian front, according to a Berlin report. A Berlin wireless report announces the sinking of nine armed Russian marine recently sunk near Hammersest, Norway. This submarine previ-

off the Norwegian coast last January:

Cotton Shows Renewed Strength. New York, March 3 .- The cotton market showed renewed strength early today on continued buying of old crop months by spot house brokers, further covering and fresh buying for long accounts. There was some realizing brought in by the sharp advance of yesterday but the market opened at an advance of 1 to 9 points and quickly firmed up with March selling at 17.60, May at 17.49 and October

close was very steady. May 17.48

at 16.48 within the first half hour or

New York, March 3.-Cotton openas follows:

December 16.42 Wheat Prices Sharply Higher. Chicago, March 3 .- Active buying by houses with seaboard connection at 1.84 3-4 to 1.85 1-4 and July at 1.56 1-4 to 1.56 3-8 were followed by a moderate sag and then a substan-tial advance all round.

Mr. Henry Sprinkle, who has been on a furlough and spending the time with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. T.

Both No. 11 and No. 37, southbound passenger trains were late this morning, the first being nearly an hour he-hind time while the latter was run-ning nearly two hours late.

Mr. Lon Holshouser spent yester