

State Department Rebukes British Embassy

INTERVENED IN ARGUMENT WITH THE U. S. SENATE

Argument Between Embassy and Senate Threatened Over Senate Investigation of Cables.

DENIED TESTIMONY OF W. U. PRESIDENT Action of Embassy Regarded as a Breach of Diplomatic Courtesy By State Dept.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The state department intervened today in what threatened to be a controversy between the British embassy and the senate committee investigating cable communication over the question as to whether there is a British censorship over cable messages to the United States originating in the British Isles.

The department's action was regarded as a rebuke to the embassy for sending direct to Senator Kellogg, chairman of the committee, a letter denying the testimony of the Western Union Telegraph Company, that cable messages coming to the United States from Great Britain were subject to delay and examination by British naval intelligence authorities.

The embassy's action is understood to be regarded by the department as a branch of diplomatic courtesy. The department has taken the subject matter of the correspondence up direct with the embassy but whether it will be asked to explain the action of the embassy in writing direct to the senator or not is not indicated.

A somewhat similar incident occurred recently, Dr. Julio Bianchi, the Guatemalan minister, dealing directly with Senator Moses of New Hampshire, regarding a resolution the senator introduced. In that instance the department asked for an explanation and it was received from Dr. Bianchi in what has been described as "an explanation and apology."

ALL RUSSIA FOUGHT GENERAL WRANGLER

Menshevik Who is Fighting Communism Also Fought the General.

Berlin, Dec. 23.—L. Martoff and R. Abramovitch, leaders in the Russian Menshevik party opposed to Bolshevism who are sojourning in Berlin, have issued an appeal here in the name of all the nations to make a common effort to secure the recognition of soviet Russia, to have the blockade raised and trade relations with the outside world resumed.

The appeal states that the defeat of General Wrangel is not the victory of Bolshevism but the victory of the Russian revolution and the whole people. The Menshevik manifesto declares that the Russian peasant who is fighting communism in his own hamlet nevertheless furnished the government with troops to repulse Wrangel as did also the Russian Social Democratic proletariat both of whom are determined to have "Russian soil cleared of international and Russian reactionaries."

The manifesto then goes on to say: "The time has now arrived when the question of putting an end to further intervention in Russia is a matter of honor with the nations of Europe as well as the United States."

The call asserts that the quickest way to accomplish the downfall of the present soviet regime is to permit it to have uninterrupted away as it will then collapse from within as a result of its anti-socialistic and utopian policies, and that the redemption of Russia is only possible after the inevitable and automatic self-defeat of the Lenin and Trotsky government.

LOAN TO R. R. APPROVED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—A loan of \$26,775,000 to eight western railroads to help finance their reconstruction amounting to \$56,825,000 was approved today by the interstate commerce commission.



AUGUSTA GLASS Miss Augusta Glass is the bride of Robert M. Allen of Roanoke, Va. She is the youngest daughter of Senator Carter Glass, former secretary of the treasury and an intimate friend of President Wilson.

YOUNG MAN KILLED BY NEGRO ROBBERS

Purvis Pleasant Shot and Instantly Killed When Negroes Hold Up Automobile Party.

Raleigh, Dec. 23.—Purvis Pleasant, 19 years old, was murdered three miles east of Raleigh late last night when four negroes held up and robbed him and two companions, Silas Messer and Percy Barber, while the three were enroute to Anger, Johnston county from Raleigh in an automobile. According to statements made to the authorities by Messrs. Messer and Barber, the negroes stepped from a clump of bushes on the road and threw pistols in their faces and ordered them to stop the car. The negroes then went through their pockets, taking a small sum of money from the men. The negroes then fired several shots and Pleasant fell dead with a wound in his heart.

D-ANNUNZIO AND ITALY AT WAR

London, Dec. 23.—D'Annunzio has proclaimed a state of war exists between his Fiume government and Italy and has forbidden the population to leave the city of Fiume, says a Rome dispatch to the Central News quoting official advice. The proclamation says the Rome correspondent of the Central News adds that anyone speaking against the D'Annunzio government is liable to be shot.

FLUME CUT OFF BY LAND

Trieste, Wednesday, Dec. 22.—Strong cordons of carabinieri and Alpine brigades in probably a score of battalions have been thrown about Fiume and have completely isolated that city by land. The Italian fleet which has headquarters at Pola is scouring the gulf of Quarnero day and night for de Annunzio raiders and searchlights play on the waters from twilight to dawn.

QUIET CHRISTMAS FOR MR. WILSON

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Preparations were made at the White House today for another quiet Christmas celebration because of Mr. Wilson's condition. The president will distribute turkeys to all employees of the White House, a precedent first established by President Arthur and today nine barrels of turkeys were received for this purpose. The usual decorations with holly and green is also in progress.

HOLY SEE DECREE ATTACKS Y. M. C. A.

Y. M. C. A. Men are Surprised at Attack Charging Y With Corrupting Faith in Youths.

Rome, Dec. 23.—The Holy See issued a decree today asking catholic bishops to attack "an organization which while professing absolute freedom of thought in regard to religious matters instills indifference and apostasy to the catholic religion." The decree mentions the Y. M. C. A. by name saying it is upheld by many Catholics who do not know its real nature. The decree says the organization corrupts the faith of youth.

A clause of the canon law which forbids papers and periodicals and other organizations availing of radicalism and indifference are recalled in the decree which requests bishops to communicate with the Holy See in six months declaring the subject will be discussed at the regular congress. Astonished at Papal Action.

New York, Dec. 23.—Officials of the overseas department of the Y. M. C. A. expressed astonishment today when they learned that the holy office in Rome had issued a decree warning its bishops against the American organization as "a corrupter of the faith of youth."

ONE DEATH FROM PALMETTO STORM

Barnwell, S. C., Dec. 23.—One death is reported as a result of the storm that hit the little town of Sneeling, five miles west of here, yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Hibbard said it had been abundantly substantiated that the Y. M. C. A. was not a proselyting organization and added that he could think of no reason for its being the subject of papal attack.

TARIFF BILL FIGHT WAS OPENED TODAY

Washington, Dec. 23.—The first volley in the fight in the senate against the house emergency tariff bill was fired by Senator Harrison Democrat, of Mississippi, today.

HARDING CONFERS WITH MR. HERRICK

Marion, Ohio, Dec. 23.—Miron T. Herrick, of Cleveland, who was American ambassador at Paris during the early days of the world war, was called to Marion today by president-elect Harding to discuss the international peace plan to be put before the world by the coming administration.

CHEMICAL COMPANY DECLARES DIVIDEND

New York, Dec. 23.—The directors of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company at a meeting here today declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1 per cent on common stock and 2 per cent on preferred stock.

On \$2000 Honeymoon Hike



If E. M. Richards and his bride reach Broadway by New Year Eve, they win \$2000—and this seems certain for they are already beyond Washington where this picture was taken. They started on their "honeymoon hike" Oct. 30 at Long Beach, Cal., wagering \$2000 they could make New York this year.

WINSTON NEGRO MAKES ESCAPE

Raleigh, Dec. 23.—Charlie Mayes one of the three negroes arrested in Greensboro in connection with running over and killing of Rev. John R. Herndon at Winston-Salem early yesterday, and being brought to the state prison here, broke away from Deputy Sheriff Smith's party while being carried from the Union station here to the state penitentiary early today and escaped.

WORKERS TO AID IN OPERATING BIG CO.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—The Peoples Gas and Light Company, one of the largest public utility concerns in the country, plans to establish an "industrial bureaucracy" among its workers so that the employees will have an equal voice with the employers in deciding questions affecting them, it was announced today by Samuel Insull, president of the company.

BOYS' PROGRAM FOR HOLIDAYS

Mr. Hoffman has planned a number of interesting hikes and games for the boys remaining in the city during the holidays. His program follows: Monday, Dec. 27. Big treasure hunt for all boys in town.

SANTA EXTENDS CALLING LIST

Children in Various Classes of City Schools and Sunday Schools Will Be Santa to Needy Children. Thru the efforts of the county welfare officer and the generosity of various Sunday schools and public school classes, Santa Claus will add a score or more children thru out the county to his calling list.

DR. IKE CAMPBELL TO CONTEST THE ELECTION

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ALLEGED SLAYER LYNCHED IN TEX.

Man Held for Murder of Policeman Taken From Fort Worth Jail and Lynched.

Fort Worth, Dec. 23.—Thomas W. Vickery, a white man held charged with murder in connection with the killing Monday of policeman Couch, was taken from the county jail here shortly after midnight by a mob and hanged. Several shots were fired into his body. Vickery was taken from the jail in his night clothes by twenty-five masked and armed men who forced prison guards to surrender their keys to his cell.

FISHERMEN QUIT PRICE TOO LOW

St. Johns, N. F., Dec. 23.—Several thousand fishermen have left Newfoundland owing to the comparative failure of the colony's fisheries this year and the low price received for the product. They have gone chiefly to Canada and the United States.

CLARA SMITH ON WAY TO ARDMORE

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 23.—Clara Barton Smith left El Paso at 6 o'clock this morning bound for Ardmore, Okla., by way of Fort Worth. She was accompanied by her lawyers and Sheriff Jarrett.

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TAX EXEMPTIONS ASKED BY AMERICANS IN CHINA

Shanghai, Dec. 23.—American commercial bodies here and American commercial interests generally in China are engaged in a campaign to induce the United States Congress to pass a law relieving them from the payment of income tax to the United States Treasury.

FINAL REPORT ON HOSPITAL

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FINANCIAL NEEDS FOR TUBERCULAR WORK IS \$36,447

Connor Summarizes Work of Historical Commission - Grier Election Seems Certain Now.

Raleigh, Dec. 23.—Financial needs of the State to further its tuberculosis work is contained in a budget submitted by the North Carolina Tuberculosis Association which shows that a total of \$36,447.00 is wanted to carry on the work during 1920-1921.

The biggest single item is for providing expenses of educational work among negroes by means of moving picture car carrying pictures of a health, educational and entertaining nature. An additional five thousand dollars is wanted for "other health work among negroes by means of trained workers who educate their race in preventing the spread of communicable diseases by lectures and demonstrations in churches and schools, and in homes by personal aid.

The program as outlined by the State association calls for clinic physician and consultant expert in tuberculosis; a post-graduate course in tuberculosis nursing to graduate nurses; public health nursing for negroes; a publicity director to tell the people how tuberculosis is caused, how prevented and how cured. Salaries of clerks and stenographers are included in the budget prepared by the association.

It is the purpose of the association to establish the Modern Health Crusade in the North Carolina schools and \$2,500 is wanted for this work. The health crusade presents a simple system of teaching health habits to the children with the minimum of time and money. Only a few minutes is required each day of the teachers time to give the children the opportunity to acquire healthful habits which will enable them to become strong, healthy men and women.

Last year 52,000 school children enrolled as members of the crusade for whites and 12,700 in the colored. The susceptibility of the child, it is pointed out, is caused by lowered resistance as the result of malnutrition, insufficient rest, insanitary conditions, lack of proper medical attention or failure to secure sufficient exercise in the open air. The aim of the crusade is to supply these deficiencies and build up resistance not only to tuberculosis but to all infectious diseases.

R. D. W. Connor, secretary of the North Carolina Historical Commission, in his eight biennial report covering the years 1919-1920, summarizes the achievements of the commission as follows: Five official and five unofficial collections, containing 15,014 pieces were arranged and listed for use; 8,666 manuscripts were scientifically treated for permanent preservation; forty-four volumes of manuscripts were bound; index cards to the names of 8 volumes of revolutionary army accounts were made and cards to 20 volumes were arranged alphabetically; 3,281 manuscripts were added to collections already begun and 11 new collections were secured; work of collecting the records of the world war was organized and more than 100,000 documents, covering 31 different subjects, were records in 60 bound volumes and thousands of unbound papers were brought in from 17 counties.

During the last two years five publications were issued by the commission and nine historical markers were erected while 178 different exhibits embracing hundreds of portraits, photographs, battle flags, medals, uniforms and other relics illustrating every period of history, were added to the collections in the hall of history.

The legislative Reference Library in addition to its general activities prepared 568 bills for members of the general assembly, published one valuable bulletin and collected data covering a wide range for an important publication on the social service resources of the state.

The withdrawal of Edgar W. Pharr, of Mecklenburg, from the race virtually means the selection of Harry Grier, of Iredell, as speaker of the house of the 1921 general assembly, in the opinion of best informed politicians. It is understood here that J. H. Matthews, of Bertie, who had previously indicated his intentions of making the race for speakership, has also withdrawn in favor of Mr. Grier. Tom C. Bowie, of Ashe, however, will be a candidate but it is not expected that he will make a vigorous fight for the position at the approaching session. T. E. Holding, Jr., Wake Forest

MILLION A YEAR



That's what Congressman C. F. Reavis of Nebraska says his plan will save Uncle Sam. He's the author of a resolution, passed by both houses, authorizing a committee to ferret out government waste.

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Will Probably Go on Trial in January—Has \$200,000 Dollars Available for Defense.

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