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PREPAREDNESS BILL DISCUSSED BY HOUSE

Speaker Clark Says The Committee Deserves The Thanks Of Country.

DEMOCRATS, REPUBLICANS

In Patriotic Efforts—Clark Says There Are Certain Fundamental Questions That All Americans Agree Upon.

(By International News Service.) Washington, March 18.—General debate characterized the preparedness measure in the house today unlooked for flashes among leaders characterized the discussion today.

Speaker Clark defended the bill today after it had been denounced by Leader Mann.

Representative Kahn introduced resolution to increase army 200,000. This was left unfinished.

At the full approval of the president and practically of the president's bill it will be at least a week before a vote is taken on the bill.

Speaker Clark said that Chairman Hay and his committee deserve the thanks of the house and the country for such a satisfactory bill.

Democrats and Republicans joined in a brotherly and patriotic spirit. This is evidence that when a great question affecting the honor, glory and safety that politics have no place here.

The certain fundamental question on which the American people are agreed. They want peace, but not peace at any price and without honor.

AN ATHEIST BURIAL IN JAPAN

By HUGH RYAS International News Service Correspondent.

Tokio, March 18.—"The last of the infidels" was buried in Tokio with the first absolutely non-religious funeral service ever held in Japan. Baron Dr. Hiroyuki Kato, privy councillor, former president of Tokio Imperial university, and tutor to his present majesty's father, the famous emperor who led Japan into modern ways, was the last of a group of famed Japanese who professed the disbelief associated with Colonel Ingersoll and Charles Bradlaugh.

He was not a backslider from Christianity but from Buddhism, but his atheism extended to all religious beliefs, Christian or pagan. This attitude had no effect whatever on his career in Japan nor did it interfere with his influence and standard. It did not prevent 2,000 of them out distinguishes living Japanese, including the representative of the emperor, from attending the "parting meeting" held at the grave.

When the Baron died his sons, in accordance with his instructions, inserts an advertisement in the newspapers inviting friends to attend a "non-religious parting ceremony" at Aoyama cemetery. What took place was very much what would have occurred in France if a distinguished agnostic was buried. The impressive pageantry of Buddhist ritual—the priest in gorgeous robes with their heads and intoned prayers, the cages of birds to be liberated at the graveside as a good deed on behalf of the departed, the incense to be burned by each mourner as an offering—was all cut out.

In the funeral session at the graveside the body was placed on a table and the uniform and vestments of the dead man were laid on it. The great steward of the crown prince read a valedictory address, the principal tribute in which was paid to Baron Kato's work as a pioneer of western learning and a student of western religions.

The vice-minister of education, former president of Tokio Imperial university, and Baron Sakuntani, former minister of finance, also made short addresses. The widow and sons-in-law then stepped forward and bowed low before the coffin. Without further ceremony the burial was completed. Imperial sympathy was testified in the customary form by the despatch of a court chamberlain with a gift of silk and 1,500 from the emperor.

The late baron is said to be the last of a group and secular-artists who

NEW YORK LAWYER IS KILLED BY WIFE

The Tragedy Resulted From A Quarrel—Woman Surrendered To The Authorities.

FIVE SHOTS WERE FIRED

The Couple Were Secretly Married After A Very Short Acquaintance—Belongs To Prominent Family.

(By International News Service.) Frederick, Md., March 18.—Arthur P. English, a noted New York lawyer, was shot and killed by his wife following a quarrel at the home of the party this afternoon. Five shots were fired. She surrendered to the authorities here. He was secretly married to Miss Young who comes from one of the oldest families in Maryland. The couple met when English was participated as counsel in a case in a local suit.

Mrs. English has been in a highly nervous state and unable to give a coherent statement of the tragedy.

BASES BEING ESTABLISHED RAILWAY MAY BE SEIZED

(By International News Service.) El Paso, March 18.—The conference between General Bell ended at nine this afternoon. One or two bases supplied will be made along the Mexican railway line.

It is believed that the American authorities will take over at least one if not more lines of railways with or without the consent of Carranza as it is necessary for the safety of the army.

AMERICANS REACH VERA CRUZ, BUT RETURN

(By International News Service.) Washington, March 18.—Two hundred Americans have reached Vera Cruz, according to a telegram received here this afternoon by the navy department. Many of them returned to their homes after coming to Vera Cruz.

BARACA-PHILATHEA STATE CONVENTION IN GOLDSBORO

Go to Goldsboro April 27-30—Baraca-Philathea State Convention. More than 2,000 Baraca and Philathea classes in North Carolina and upwards of 1,000 conversions through these classes during the past twelve months. If you are a member of these classes, go to this convention and get the true Baraca-Philathea spirit yourself and then bring it home with you and impart it to others and help make Cumberland county the banner county of North Carolina, as North Carolina is the banner state of the union.

In the last reign—as the result of their studies in the (to them) virgin fields of western religion, became uncompromising atheists. His converts are some of them dead, some of them back untrustingly in the Buddhist and Shinto folds.

The fact does not mean much for the two "hundred" victims of Japan have fallen into decay and Shinto especially, is now practically nothing more than a cult of equality to the commoner and recognition of one's father. There is no reason why the "atheists" of the indifferent materialists should cause trouble by breaking with it.

A curious illustration of Japanese complacency is seen in the manner in which the Japan Times, an organ owned by Japanese and printed in English for the enlightenment of the foreigner, contrasts the honor paid to Baron Kato with what it assumes to have the case if a distinguished "atheist" had ordered an agnostic funeral. If a man of Baron Kato's standing had died in the west, says the Japan Times, stories of a death and conversion or anecdotes showing that at heart he really believed in a god would have been forthcoming, and a secular funeral of the kind described would have been attended by none but persons of a special set and a few curious others.

FRENCH REPULSE GERMANS AT VERDUN

Violent Battle Raging—Infantry Rest While Big Guns Boom.

FIGHTING ON EAST MEUSE

Great Destruction Among The Teutons By Concealed French Guns Which Belched Forth Fire And Destruction.

(By International News Service.) London, March 18.—The fighting about Verdun which changed to the east bank of the Meuse today, the Germans enveloping several violent attacks. The midnight dispatch says they were repulsed on all sides.

West of the Meuse where the battle has been raging along Dead Man's Hill the infantry rest while the big guns prepared the way.

According to the French report the attack east of the Meuse was launched following the extremely violent bombardment. As the Germans came forward from their concealed guns the French poured machine and shrapnel fire into the Teutonic forces, causing great destruction.

RUSSIANS ATTACKING TURKISH STRONGHOLD

Rome, Mar. 18.—According to information received here from a diplomatic source in Petrograd, the Russians are attacking the outskirts of Trebizond, the Turkish stronghold on the Black Sea. The assault is being made on three sides—from the north by sea with the guns of the Russian fleet and from the east and south by land.

Large Russian reinforcements are continuing to land east of Trebizond under the protection of the fleet.

Trebizond is practically the only place of importance left to the Turks on the Black Sea. Its fall is declared to be imminent and, indeed, it has been expected that the place would be surrendered with only a show of defense.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COUNTY COMMENCEMENT

The following are the merchants and business men of Fayetteville who have contributed to the county commencement fund to date:

- Ered D. Williams—hat. W. E. Kinley—umbrella work. M. L. Courtney—baseball glove. Nut Banks—\$5.00. Stein Bros.—pair shoes. H. F. Bessley—scarf pin. Shuford and Rogers—shirt. Carolina Grocery Company—\$2.00. Judge Printing Company—\$1.00. Fayetteville Furniture Company—\$4.00. Huske Hardware Company—base ball glove. Hotel Rosemont—\$2.00. J. H. Eggleston—cuff buttons.

We appreciate their kindness very much and will give all others an opportunity to contribute that desire to do so and their names will be published later.

We also request all school children and parents to trade with those as much as possible.

D. M. PATTON, W. F. MOFFETT, C. P. FRANK, Committee.

MASSEY HILL DEAFS CENTRAL GRAMM S. HIGH

The second team of the Massey Hill graded school played the second game of the Central graded school today at 10:30.

The score was 12 to 6 in favor of the Massey Hill graded school.

The third team of the Massey Hill graded school played the third team of Central graded school today at 11 o'clock.

The score was 18 to 8 in favor of the Massey Hill graded school.

LARGEST BABY IN THE WORLD CLAIMS OF CUMBERLAND CO.

Cumberland county probably possesses the largest baby in the world. It is four years old and weigh 175 pounds. The parents are Mr. and Mrs. Matthews, of near Linden.

AMERICAN TROOPS NEAR GENERAL VILLA

Col. Dodd Is Known To Be Near Villa And Advancing Rapidly.

NO CASUALTIES SO FAR

Not Believed That Villa Will Risk Battle—Is Practicing "Safety First"—Has Only 3,000 Men.

(By International News Service.) San Antonio, Tex., March 18.—An encounter with Villa is expected by headquarters here. General Dodd is known to be near Villa.

The military calculated that Dodd is had expected and is at Galena nearby.

It was stated positively that so far there has been no casualties and no credence is given to the charges of reported sniping. The information now is that Villa is practicing "safety first." Therefore he is known to have about 3,000 men and there are worn out and scattering.

Telephone lines are going up as fast as poles can be put up. Wireless has not been satisfactory.

DANISH SHIP REPORTED TAKEN BY GERMANS

Copenhagen, Mar. 18.—A dispatch to the Politiken states that the Danish schooner Olga has been captured by a named German trawler within Swedish territorial waters and taken into a German port.

FRIED NOT FIRED

In the News account of the baseball game yesterday morning we attempted to say that Manager Mr. Fry was fired but the Linotype man made us say fired. This is what did not happen and he was not fired unless the News story made his all-fired mad and here is due apologies to Manager Fry who is still the legal and constitutional head of the Young Men's baseball club, the future pennant winners.

IT MAY BE CHIEF WATSON

There is a current report that ex-Sheriff Watson may be chief of police of Fayetteville next time. Just who started the story or what there is in it the News is unable to state but there is some under current in favor of the sheriff for the job whether it materializes or not.

BETTER BABIES CONTEST

There were 21 babies examined yesterday. Dr. Bradley was assisted by Dr. W. S. Jordan and a considerable interest was shown in the work.

Dr. Bradley is here under the direction of the government and is giving instructions to mothers how to feed and care to their children, a work every mother's heart is in and Dr. Bradley will be glad to give all the aid and advice possible along this line.

TURKISH VICTORY OVER TORPEDO-BAY CREW

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MEXICANS CAPTURED WITH MACHINE GUNS

Bisbee, Ariz., Mar. 18.—American officers at Fort Huachuca today questioned for several hours seven Mexicans who were captured near the post yesterday with a pack train that was carrying two machine guns and several thousand rounds of ammunition. The prisoners are believed to be Villistas.

WASHINGTON HAS ORDERED FUNSTON TO SPEED UP ON ACCOUNT VILLA'S REPORTS

Mexicans Circulating Reports Calculated to Cause an Uprising Against the United States if the Troops Should Remain Long in Mexico—Dodd Makes Great Record—Men and Horses in Good Shape—Battle Expected Soon.

GERMANS PASS RESOLUTIONS NOT YIELD TO U. S.

Reischtag Recommends Use Of Submarines On All Ships.

(By International News Service.) Berlin, March 18.—Number of the liberal party in the Reichstag met and adopted resolutions which are in fact a protest against the United States. The resolution requests the chancellor to make no agreement with other powers and urges the employment of submarines not only in the war zone but for all ships except those devoted solely to passenger traffic.

Confidential dispatches to the state and war departments stated that uneasiness spread rapidly in Mexico today. Mexicans along the border have been sending reports placing their own construction on the expedition. The situation is such that there is likely to be serious trouble if the Americans remain long in Mexico.

4 GERMAN ARMY OFFICERS AID VILLA PLAN HIS BATTLES

El Paso, Texas, Mar. 18.—Francisco Villa has with him in the field four former officers of the German army who help him plan his battle, according to information given by an American now in El Paso, who formerly served in the Villista army. He also stated that Villa was plentifully supplied with ammunition would be able to hold out in the hills for years unless betrayed.

The four Germans have been with Villa for many months," said the American. "They attend every conference which Villa holds. Through the help of their technical training and Villa's natural ability as a soldier, he will be able to make a stand for years in the hills toward which he is heading."

"I know that since the last trouble broke out Villa's agents have sent enough ammunition to him to fill twenty cars. He has this ammunition and plenty of food hidden away in the hills and is supplied for a long, long time."

CALLE SENDS TROOPS TO HALT VILLA'S FLIGHT

Douglas, Ariz., Mar. 18.—Five hundred Mexican soldiers, apparently Hima Indians, who came up from the interior of Sonora to Naco Wednesday, broke camp early today and marched eastward. They have been reported along the border, and presumably they took the road that angles to the south and leads to Cajallones, where the former Agua Prieta border station is now stationed.

From Cajallones General Calles has been sending troops to guard the border. The troops were reported to have been sent to the border to halt Villa's flight.

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(By International News Service.)

Washington, March 18.—Orders went forth to General Funston to speed up his campaign to capture Villa. These orders were inspired by alarming reports from the border that Villa is inspiring his followers to rise against the Americans. Acting Secretary Polk went to the white house tonight to place the reports before the president. It was after that the order to speed up was given.

Confidential dispatches to the state and war departments stated that uneasiness spread rapidly in Mexico today. Mexicans along the border have been sending reports placing their own construction on the expedition. The situation is such that there is likely to be serious trouble if the Americans remain long in Mexico.

Officials were said to be urging haste in the American expedition so we may be withdrawn at the earliest possible moment.

Dodd's ride to Casa Grandes will be a fitting title in the new charge that will be written in the cavalry dash today.

The cavalry commanded by Commander Dodd reached Casa Grandes after having ridden all night, but stopped long enough to throw out a guard at Colonia Juarez second Mormon settlement.

The splendid endurance record of the troops and horses equalled if it does not exceed all previous high marks. The Mexican regiment started as an advance guard was out-distanced and left behind many miles.

Army officers here say that special care should be given front regiment which is composed of negroes.

Then central point 80 miles south of Colonel Dodd and men camped Thursday. So far as is known the passes are open for a considerable distance south, but it is expected that temporary halt will be made so as to allow the main part of the army to come up.

Villa is reported to be 20 miles south of Galena. He is making for the pass in the mountain which leads to his old home district where his strongholds are situated and where the populace are all his friends.

It is expected with the Mexican authorities that the ban-it leader is disposing of his forces.

The main column of General Pershing is said to be less than 50 miles south of the border.

A detachment of foot soldiers is moving forward as fast as possible to do guard duty along the line.

A demand was made on the local telegraph company for 200 miles wire this indicates that there is difficulty with the cables.

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