

Bolt From Clear Sky Falls Upon Senate

When Republican Senator, John D. Works from California, Declares Opposition to Break With Germany

(By United Press)

Washington, Feb. 7.—Declaring that the United States had "not been neutral, that Great Britain had persistently violated the rights of the United States on the high seas, that the United States had borne these violations as if an ally of Great Britain, and that Germany had no reason to feel friendly to the United States," Senator John D. Works, California Republican, today voiced the first opposition heard in Congress to President Wilson's severance of diplomatic relations with Germany.

Admitting that Germany had violated American rights under international law Senator Works said, "I protest against this and any other movement tending toward war with Germany for no other cause than has yet been given."

Senator Works' address was a bolt out of a clear sky. The Senate had expected to adopt without protest Senator Stone's resolution endorsing the President's action and the Republicans had joined the Democrats in pledging support of the President.

Following the severe criticism by Senator Works of the President's action in severing relations with Germany, Senator Stone of Missouri called up his resolution asking the Senate's endorsement of the break, and expressed the hope that the American people would not "be swept off their feet by the propaganda advanced to carry us into war."

Senator Lodge of Massachusetts declared that "President did what was demanded by the honor and safety of the United States." He urged the abolition of all party lines "to show the world that we are united. Division shows weakness."

Hungary Is With Germany

Amsterdam, Feb. 7.—Hungary strongly approves Germany's unrestricted submarine warfare. Count Stephen Tiszta, Count Apponyi and other leaders endorsed Germany's policy in speeches in parliament today.

BOLIVIA SUPPORTS PRESIDENT WILSON

FIRST SOUTH AMERICAN REPUBLIC TO DEFINITELY ANNOUNCE APPROVAL UNITED STATES

Buenos Aires, Feb. 7.—Bolivia will support President Wilson against Germany, according to the Bolivian Minister at Rio Janeiro. This is the first South American republic to definitely announce approval of the United States course.

Reserves To Be Ready

It is reported that the Elizabeth City Naval Reserve has received instructions to get all guns in their charge in readiness for shipment to the Norfolk Navy Yard so that they may be easily used in case of war.

PARTY ON REVERIE ENCOUNTERS GALE

GUESTS ENTHUSIASTIC IN PRAISE OF THEIR HOST'S HOSPITALITY UNDER TRYING CONDITIONS

The party who made the trip to New Bern on the yacht "Reverie" as the guests of Mr. Charles Harrison, leaving Wednesday night with the expectation of returning Friday morning but not in fact arriving until the following Tuesday, tell an interesting story of the adventures with wind and storm encountered on their trip.

"I never saw before much less experienced such weather," said one member of the party in describing the trip.

The "Reverie" had good weather on the trip to New Bern and started back to Elizabeth City on Thursday night, as had been planned. When the yacht got in Pamlico Sound, however, she encountered such wind that her captain thought it best to seek shelter so he ran under Bluff Shoal and anchored. Friday morning the wind was increasing in violence and the boat sought after shelter in the Neuse river.

Saturday morning the "Reverie" ran into harbor at Vandemere, between the mouth of the Neuse and that of the Pamlico river, for supplies. After obtaining these she headed again into Pamlico Sound but the Captain did not care to risk crossing Brant Island Bar under the prevailing conditions of wind and tide, and the yacht again sought shelter Saturday night.

Sunday morning the supply of coal was running low and the Reverie was run into Belhaven, thirty miles out of her way, for fuel. Hardly had she got back to the mouth of the Pamlico river, when she encountered the worst weather of the trip, a gale blowing 70 miles per hour, and which once more drove her to shelter under Caroon's point, where she lay till Tuesday morning.

Later that same morning the storm tossed "Reverie" docked at her wharf at Elizabeth City, but even the last leg of her journey was not without difficulties for the boat encountered ice at the mouth of the North River and was able to make her way through it only after considerable effort and delay.

The guests are all enthusiastic in their praise of their host's hospitality under the trying conditions of the trip. With their every need supplied, their every wish anticipated and with a cook whose perior is not to be found in the United States, at their call, Mr. Harrison was still in person making their comfort constantly his first concern.

The guests leaving here were: Messrs J. H. Aydtlett, A. F. Toxey, J. B. Ferebee. Mr. Harrison's brother, Claude Harrison, and his father, W. J. Harrison. At New Bern superior is not to be found in the agent of the Virginia-Carolina Transportation company, joined the party. Before leaving Elizabeth City Mr. Harrison presented Mr. Toxey and Mr. Ferebee with a \$250.00 shot gun.

LAYDEN WARD

Mr. Oliver D. Layden of Okisko and Miss Effie May Ward of Winfall were married by Rev. Rufus Bradley at the Methodist parsonage on Ehringhaus street Wednesday morning.

The groom is the son of Mr. J. K. Layden of Okisko, one of the county's most prominent farmers, and is himself among the most successful younger farmers of his section. He is well known here.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. Thomas Ward of Winfall and is a member of a very prominent Perquimans County family.

WEATHER OR NO

Cloudy with rain late tonight turning to snow Thursday morning. Breeze around in circles should be left in wheels and harnesses.

Co-operate For Pay Up Week

Between forty and fifty merchants and business men have agreed to join in the observance of National Pay Up Week in Elizabeth City and indications are that the movement will be well received. The plans of campaign are being mapped out and directed by the Chamber of Commerce and definite announcement of plans to insure its success may be looked for later.

Will Advertise Home Town

This notice has been sent out by Scout Executive H. H. Grogan of Washington, D. C. "Enormous crowds will attend the inauguration. Scouts will be needed to assist the police in handling the crowds, render first aid, call ambulances, and act as guides. The demands will be greater than can be met by the Washington Scouts alone. And they will need the help of every Scout that can possibly go to Washington." Elizabeth City will be advertised by the fact that her scouts will be on the job. The troop flag will carry the name of the troop and the name of this city.

HOLD DEBATE ON APRIL 13TH

ALREADY MORE HIGH SCHOOLS ARE REGISTERED THAN DURING 1915-1916 SEASON IT IS ANNOUNCED

Chapel Hill, Feb. 7.—The Committee of the High School Debating Union at the University has announced that the final debate for the Aycock Cup will be held here on April 13. The elimination contest will take place as usual, the night before. It is the plan this year to have a high school week with many kinds of athletic contest, such as a track meet and a tennis tournament. Already more high schools are registered for debate than during the whole of the 1915-1916 season. The secretary has collected a large amount of material on both sides of the government ownership question, and is ready to supply demands. A large amount of such material has already been sent out.

Canada Adjourns Parliament

(By United Press)

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 7.—The Canadian Parliament is expected to declare a two month vacation beginning today in order to permit the Premier, Sir Robert Borden, to go to London for the Imperial War Conference. The Conference is called for the last of this month. The plans for the Premier's departure are, naturally, kept secret.

Senate Passes Dry Bill

(By United Press)

Washington, Feb. 7.—Senate passed dry bill for voteless District of Columbia. Territories committee recommended prohibition for voteless Alaska and Hawaii.

House judiciary committee recommended passage of bill for constitutional prohibition amendment which must be ratified by two thirds of the House and Senate and three fourths of the states.

Mr. Percy Overman has returned to Kenly after a visit to his parents Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Overman, on East Center street.

OFFICIAL WASHINGTON ANXIOUS LEST FATAL ACT BRING WAR

Like One Holding Ears in Anticipation of a Tremendous Explosion Though Nothing Has Yet Happened

(By United Press)

FOURTH INSTITUTE FOR GOOD ROADS

MEETS AT CHAPEL HILL FEB 12-17 TO DISCUSS PROBLEMS OF ROAD MAKING AND UPKEEP IN NORTH CAROLINA

Chapel Hill, Feb. 7.—The Fourth Road Institute of the State of North Carolina will meet at the University Feb. 12-17, 1917. This institute is now supplying a vital need as the program of the coming meeting shows. There has been a steady increase in attendance, and those present at the last meeting represented all the various kinds of officials connected with road work in North Carolina, from the county commissioner, road commissioner, road engineer, road superintendent, road foreman and road trustee to private citizens who are interested in the state from the standpoint of general public betterment.

At the first institute, March 1914 24 counties were represented and 54 men attended. At the second institute, 1915, 80 attended, and last year there were 127 men from 43 counties. The committee in charge has tried to make the meeting as practical as possible, and in many cases the lectures are well illustrated. A free interchange of ideas and experience in regard to road problems in North Carolina, rather than a series of cut and dried lectures has been sought after. Practical demonstrations will be given regarding maintenance and upkeep of highways, the use of the various road machines, etc. The staff of instruction includes not only men of the University but men of experience and high reputation from other states and from various counties in North Carolina. Time will be given for a thorough discussion of each subject. There will be exhibits of road machinery, road materials, road maps, instruments and charts, while outdoor instruction in methods of maintenance will be given. The University plans to arrange matters of room and board for those who attend.

Some of the problems which come up for discussion at the various meetings of the Road Administration and Organization, Maintenance and Repair of Roads, Roads Location and Construction, Road Surfacing Materials, and Reports on Road Work. There are in all 35 officers of instruction on the program.

Merchant's Son Weds Artist's Daughter

(By United Press)

New York, Feb. 7.—Cupid did it again today. Miss Nancy Keene Perkins of Richmond, Virginia, niece of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dana Gibson, and Harry Marshall Field, son of the late Marshall Field, were married at the Gibson home in East 127th street, Chelsea, D. Langhorne of Mirador, Ga., is the new Mrs. Field's grandfather.

INSTALLING NEW FIXTURES

Weeks & Sawyer this week are installing glass front shirt cabinets in their store in the Kramer building. The improvement, while adding to the appearance and making possible a better display of wares, also increases the shelf capacity of the store by 100 per cent.

Washington, Feb. 7.—The United States is now well within the "danger zone" in its relations to Germany.

There is no indication that the Imperial Government intends modifying the program which brought on the break. At least this is the view of foreign Secretary Zimmerman as expressed in his utterance that he believes that Germany will go through with her submarine campaign to the end.

The general situation may be described as the "same as last Saturday."

Hoping still that no overt act will come, necessitating more vigorous action on the part of the United States, those most closely associated with President Wilson feel that it is merely a matter of time before some U boat commander will in the over zealous discharge of duty accomplish the fatal act. They are fearful too that this country is lulled by a false sense of security.

Official Washington is like one holding his ears in anticipation of a tremendous explosion.

It has been forty-eight hours since the orders for sinking everything in sight in the barred zone became effective and nothing has happened yet.

Mystery continues to surround this government's course toward Austria which sent a note practically identical to that of Germany.

SHIPS NOT TO BE CONVOYED

The State Department is about to make its ruling for the sailing of American ships, it became known today. Under this ruling merchant ships will not be convoyed by war vessels.

WILL TAKE OVER WIRELESS

Emergency radio legislation, providing for absolute government control of all wireless systems in the United States will be rushed through in the event of international trouble, Chairman Alexander of the House Merchant Marine Committee stated today.

Was In Employ Of Rockefeller

(By United Press)

Buenos Aires, Feb. 7.—Minister of Agriculture Rucyrredon is being pounded heavily by the anti-administration newspaper here because he was legal advisor in Argentina for the Standard Oil Company up to the time of his appointment to the President's prison's cabinet.

The care and development of the country's oil resources are among the duties of the department of agriculture. The Standard is suspected of wanting to secure possession of the government owned commodore Rivadavia oil fields. Critics of the administration say this is a bad combination of circumstances. Dr. Rucyrredon is no longer on the Rockefeller payroll.

Builders Meet At Chicago

Chicago, Feb. 7.—Engineers, architects, building and material men, lumber dealers, contractors and building machinery men from all parts of the United States gathered here today to hold conventional simultaneous with the big construction show. Building cost about a million and a half in the country.