

# JAPANESE SEIZURE OF GERMAN ISLANDS CAUSES U. S. ANXIETY

Complications May Ensnare, as Government Would Oppose Giving Mikado Coal- ing Station in Pacific.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 6.—The seizure of the German base in the Marshall Islands by the Japanese, while unconfirmed by official dispatches, today caused Government officials here considerable anxiety. During the week which elapsed between the sending of the Japanese ultimatum to Germany and the actual declaration of war between these two countries, Japan promised the United States that it would confine operations to the China Sea. This information was conveyed to Secretary Bryan by Ambassador China in the form of an official communication from Tokyo. Yesterday, it was said, Japan seized the German base in the Marshall Islands, thus violating her previous promise to the United States. Should the Japanese insist on holding the islands after the war is over, the ensuing complications would be very embarrassing to the United States, which would oppose any plan giving Japan a coaling station in the Pacific. Midway between Yokohama and Hawaii, Government officials here feared that the Mikado intended to seize the German possessions in Samoa, but the British capture of these islands quieted this fear and gave the United States assurance that Japan could gain no foothold outside of its original sphere of influence. If Japan has taken these islands, the State Department almost certainly will file a protest with the Japanese Government against the violation of promises.

# JAPANESE "JACKIES" TAKE GERMAN NAVAL BASE IN SOUTH SEAS

Marshall Archipelago Occupied for "Military Reasons"—Tsing-Tao Siege in Final Stages.

TOKIO, Oct. 6.—The Navy Department this morning issued the following official statement: "The Japanese squadron delegated to destroy the German fleet in the South Seas landed troops on Jaluit Island, the seat of the Government in Marshall Archipelago, which was annexed by Germany in 1886. "It is believed the German base was destroyed and that the fortifications, arms and ammunition were seized." A British steamship in port was released. There was no resistance to the Japanese. The only explanation given at the Admiralty for the occupation of the Island of Jaluit in the South Pacific is that this step was taken "for military purposes." The operations at Tsing-Tao have entered their final stage. It was announced at the Admiralty today. All the Japanese and British troops and artillery have arrived and have taken up their positions. The surrender of the German fortress has been demanded, but Governor Meyer-Waldeck returned the reply that he would defend it until the last man is dead.

# CAPTIVE FRENCH GENERAL MADE KAISER LAUGH

Emperor Talked to Prisoner While King of Bavaria Waited.

BERLIN, Oct. 6.—An interview in a railway station between the Kaiser and a captured French general, while the King of Bavaria waited, is the substance of a story told by a wounded cavalry sergeant on sick leave. "In the transport in which we were being sent home," the sergeant said, "there were also French prisoners, and among these a captured general who had at one time been military attaché at Berlin. The train stopped at the station, where the Kaiser was expected to meet the King of Bavaria. "As the Kaiser came down the platform the general among the prisoners, after much argument, managed to get an officer to take his card to the Emperor. When he saw the name the Kaiser ordered the prisoner brought to him and a long conversation between them followed. They talked for 15 minutes and the Kaiser laughed aloud several times. I have seen the Kaiser many times, but I have never seen him laugh before—smile, yes; but laugh, never. "I tell you gentlemen that was an interesting picture—the Kaiser looking up at the great Frenchman—he was one of those tall, handsome, black haired fellows, and you know that our Kaiser is not a tall man. He was looking at the platform the King of Bavaria was waiting for the Kaiser. And you know that it is very exceptional for the Kaiser to speak to any one for more than four or five minutes, and he talked to this man for all of a quarter of an hour."

# FAILS TO AVOID RE-ARREST IN CITY HALL CORRIDOR DASH

Marter Caught by Detective Before He Goes Twenty Yards.

In an attempt to evade detectives, waiting to rearrest him as he left Quarter Sessions Court today, Frank J. Marter, known by other names, made a dash down the south corridor of City Hall. Detective Rich and two detectives from New York city who had warrants for Marter, charged him with defrauding New York traction and indemnity companies, approached Marter as he crossed the threshold of the courtroom. He was expecting arrest and sprinted down the corridor. The detectives ran after him, followed by a crowd that had been hanging about the courtroom door. Rich caught him before he had gone 20 yards. Marter got a nine months' prison sentence several days ago from Judge Seavie in Quarter Sessions Court, but later, owing to a technical defect in the proceedings, the court granted him a new trial, allowing him to sign his own bond. Marter was accused of defrauding the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company by falsifying invoices. He is able to dislocate his right elbow at will. The prisoner was taken to the Central Police Station to await extradition to New York.

# AMERICAN WHO COMFORTED BRITISH HELD IN BERLIN

Edward Page Gaston Arrested, But Charge Is Withheld.

BERLIN, Oct. 6.—Edward Page Gaston, an American, who recently distributed blankets, underwear and clothing to British prisoners of war, was arrested here yesterday when about to leave the city. The charge against him was not made public. James W. Gerard, the American Ambassador, is endeavoring to procure the release of Mr. Gaston. Edward Page Gaston is well known in the United States and Europe as a journalist and lecturer. His home is in Harvey, Ill.

# ITALIANS AROUSED BY DUPLICITY GAME CHARGED TO AUSTRIA

Press and Public Call for Retaliation for Destruction Wrought by Mines in the Adriatic.

ROME, Oct. 6.—Italian newspapers today declared that the prospective changes in the Cabinet made it certain that Italy would declare war against Austria. The editorials, demanding that this country completely throw off the bonds of the Triple Alliance, are growing in strength daily. "Another Italian steamship has been blown up near Trieste by an Austrian mine and 50 lives have been lost," says one of the leading papers. "How much longer will Italy tolerate the duplicity of Austria? While that country is apolo- gizing for the loss of life that it already has caused to Italy, its agents are secretly laying more mines." The night passed without any attack on the Austrian and German Embassies, but the strong guards placed there yesterday were retained there today, and cavalry was held in readiness at the barracks to charge the mobs if they showed a disposition to become destructive.

# M'COACH ASSERTS HIS INNOCENCE OF CONSPIRACY

Indicted for Violating Sherman Law, He Denies Knowledge of Offense.

City Treasurer William McCoach, who is in the plumbing business, today denied that he had been a party to a conspiracy in restraint of interstate trade and commerce in plumbing supplies in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law for which he and 32 other members of the National Master Plumbers' Association were indicted by the Federal Grand Jury in Erie, Pa., yesterday. McCoach also denied that there was a secret agreement between the association and manufacturers of plumbing supplies, not to sell non-members of the association at standard prices and in some cases not at all. The action against the National Association was brought by the United States District Attorney for Western Pennsylvania. The indictment includes S. Louis Barnes, the national president, 210 North Sixth street; D. F. Durkin, Jr., the national secretary, 1613 Pine street, and all the other officers of the association. McCoach said that the indictment included him merely because he was treasurer of the association. The indictment came as a surprise, and the officers consider the charges groundless. Barnes said that the object of the association is to make better business men out of the members of the association, and that their by-laws are against anything illegal. He knew of no manufacturer that refused to sell to plumbers because the plumber was not a member of the association, and further denied any knowledge of a secret agreement between the association and the manufacturers.

# BRITISH REPULSE GERMAN ATTACKS IN EAST AFRICA

Indian Troops Aid Territorials in Campaign.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 6.—Attempts of the Germans to raid British territory in East Africa have been repulsed. It was announced today by the British Embassy. The Colonial Office at London sent this cablegram to the Embassy: "During September there has been considerable activity along Anglo-German boundary of East African protectorate, due to enemy's attempts to raid British territory and cut Uganda Railway. All these attempts have been repulsed and raiding parties defeated in every case except one, where an unimportant frontier station is still held by a small German party. "The normal garrison of East Africa and Uganda protectorates has been strengthened since outbreak of war by a strong body of Indian troops and also by mounted and unmounted volunteer forces raised locally, and no anxiety is felt as to military situation."

# BRITISH GRAIN SHIP SUNK BY MINE IN NORTH SEA

Ardmont, From Galveston Wrecked. Crew Saved.

LONDON, Oct. 6.—An exchange telegraph dispatch from Ostend says: "The steamship Ardmont, loaded with grain, which left over at 6:30 o'clock this morning for Zeebrugge, Holland, struck a mine. Her crew of 35 was saved." The Ardmont was from Galveston, and it is reported that when she reached Falmouth last Saturday she was ordered on to Antwerp.

The British steamship Ardmont, a vessel of 3519 tons, commanded by Captain Ronald, sailed from Galveston October 3, and arrived at Falmouth October 5, and sailed shortly afterward for Antwerp. The Ardmont was owned by the Ashmount Steamship Company, Glasgow.

# \$27,847 INSURANCE VERDICT

Lumber Dealer Wins Suit Against Six Companies.

Lewis Starr, receiver for Jacob Mick, a lumber dealer, received a verdict of \$27,847.20 from a jury in the Camden Circuit Court before Judge Lloyd today against the Girard, People's National, Home, Royal Exchange, Springfield and Pennsylvania Fire Insurance Companies. Mick's lumber yards at Laurel Springs were burned on June 23, 1913. The insurance companies refused payment, on the ground that the claim was excessive. As a result of the nonpayment of the insurance, Mick was forced into bankruptcy.

# KAISER'S THREAT MAY CHECK WAR CRY IN RUMANIA

Virtual Ultimatum Warns Against Invasion of Transylvania—King Has "Diplomatic" Illness.

VIENNA, Oct. 6.—Dr. von Waldthausen, the German Minister at Bucharest, has formally notified the Rumanian Government that Germany is determined to declare war on that country if Rumania threatens Transylvania. The notification virtually amounts to an ultimatum, and for that reason a meeting of the Cabinet was summoned. It had to be postponed, however, owing to the illness of the King, who is suspected of a diplomatic ailment. Meanwhile, owing to the Russian invasion of Hungary, the Austrian troops which were concentrated in Transylvania have been rushed northward. A wireless from Berlin received by way of the Sayville station said that the Crown Prince of Rumania had been severely repulsed because of agitation in behalf of Russia and that the leaders of all Rumanian parties, including the Socialists, had demanded maintenance of strict neutrality.

# BIDS FOR BIGGEST WARSHIPS OPENED AT WASHINGTON

Newport News Company Offers Terms Below Those of the New York and Cramp Shipbuilding Concerns.

Special Telegram to the Evening Ledger.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 6.—Bids for two dreadnoughts, California and Mississippi, soon to be built by Uncle Sam, were opened at the Navy Department today. The New York Shipbuilding Company, of Camden, N. J., put in the second lowest bid for a battleship of the turbine type, while William Cramp & Sons, of Philadelphia, made the highest bid in this class. The New York Shipbuilding Company also placed before the department the second lowest bid for a battleship of either the turbine or the Parsons geared type of engine. No awards will be made by the Navy Department until the bids and their accordance with the specifications are carefully studied. The following are the bids: William Cramp & Sons, of Philadelphia—One battleship of the turbine type, to be built in 36 months at the Philadelphia yards and to have a speed of 21 knots, \$7,525,000. The company deposited a certified check for \$800,000 as bond. New York Shipbuilding Company, of Camden—One battleship of turbine type, to be built in 36 months and to have a speed of 21 knots, \$7,195,000. In class two the bids were as follows: Fore River Shipbuilding Company—One battleship to be finished within 36 months at Quincy, Mass., 21 knots, and of Curtis turbine with blider's design of machinery, \$7,440,000. With department's design of machinery, \$7,540,000. New York Shipbuilding Company of Camden—Curtis turbine, to be finished within 36 months and of 21 knots speed, \$7,520,000, with Parsons geared engine, \$7,175,000. Newport News Shipbuilding Company—Curtis turbine, with Department design of machinery, 36 months time and 21 knots speed, \$7,150,000, with their own machinery design, \$7,115,000. All of the companies accompanied their bids with an \$80,000 bond. The battleships are to be of 32,000 tons each, and will be the biggest dreadnoughts afloat. In both classes the Newport News Company put in the lowest bids, but the Navy Department today gave no indication as to which bid would be accepted.

# WAR RELIEF FUND \$15,000,000

Prince of Wales Subscriptions to Aid English Needy.

LONDON, Oct. 6.—The Prince of Wales Fund has reached \$15,000,000 and the Prince has issued a letter expressing his thanks for the generous contributions. "I trust," he says in the letter, "that the portion of the fund which will be applied to the relief of civil distress may, as far as possible, flow into productive channels, such as assisting schemes for male and female employment and perhaps industrial training, for it is repugnant to me, as it must be to the recipients, that assistance should be distributed only in the form of doles."

# Boy, Trampled by Horse, May Die

Nine-year-old Leonard Horitz, 218 Buttonwood street, suffered a fractured skull and internal injuries that may cause his death this afternoon when he was trampled by a horse at Newmarket and Noble streets. The child was taken to the Roosevelt Hospital. He had been playing around the sidewalk and fell under the animal's hoofs.

# MAYOR VOICES PLEA FOR SPEEDY RELIEF OF WAR'S VICTIMS

Asks Co-operation With Citizens Committee Seeking to Alleviate Distress in Europe and in This City.

Mayor Blankenburg today voiced a public appeal to the citizens of Philadelphia in behalf of the Citizens' Permanent Relief Committee for funds to alleviate suffering caused by the European war. Contributions are to be paid to Drexel & Co., bankers. A portion of the funds will be forwarded to the Red Cross for relief of wounded on the foreign battlefields and the remainder will be used for relief of families in Philadelphia affected indirectly by the war. The Mayor's appeal is as follows: "The Citizens' Permanent Relief Committee has, in its 36 years' existence, never appealed with more confidence to the citizens of Philadelphia than it does today in asking for generous contributions to aid the sufferers of the most destructive war of the world's history. The object of this appeal is twofold: "To help heal the wounds of the untold thousands who are the war's direct victims abroad, through the agency of the American Red Cross and the splendid staff of nurses co-operating with it. "To give aid to those in our own city who are sufferers from the indirect results of this most lamentable war. Many people have been thrown out of employment, and as winter approaches we should prepare in due season to help those in distress and trouble. "Our citizens may confidently rely upon this committee using its wisest discretion in the apportioning of contributions that may be received. "It is unnecessary to enlarge upon the necessity for prompt help. The facts too sadly speak for themselves. "Please make checks payable to the order of Drexel & Co., treasurers."

# WHITMAN ASSIGNS COLONEL ROOSEVELT TO ANANIAS CLUB

District Attorney of New York and Republican Candidate for Governor Denies Charges.

NEW YORK, Oct. 6.—District Attorney Charles S. Whitman today inscribed Colonel Theodore Roosevelt's name in the Ananias Club by categorically denying the charges made in a political speech yesterday by the Colonel to the effect that Whitman was a mere puppet of Charles F. Murphy, and that Whitman had ardently sought the Progressive nomination for Governor. "I will dispose of the Colonel's charges by just four answers, as he seems to have made his attack in four divisions," said the Republican candidate for Governor. "There are just four things that Roosevelt charges. He says that I am a tool of Murphy and Barnes. My answer to that is that it is not true. "The second charge is that I promised him not to run for Governor if he would support me for Mayor. I answer that by saying that I do not recall the exact words of the conversation. It took place a year and a half ago. It is possible that he did say to me, 'If we Progressives support you for Mayor, we do not want you to run for Governor' and that I can easily understand now that might be distorted. Whether I did or did not promise that, I would have promised if he had asked it. "Mr. Mitchell, Mr. McAneny and myself all agreed that if elected Mayor we would not desert that office for the Governorship or any other office. "Mr. Roosevelt's third charge is that I sought the Progressive nomination for the Governorship. My answer is that I did not, and that if I had sought it I would have had it. "The fourth charge I will answer by saying that I did not tell Roosevelt that I voted for him for President. "I shall have something more to say on the general subject from the platform later, but I maintained from the first that I wanted the Republican nomination, but would have welcomed outside and independent support for both myself and the ticket."

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# CIGARETTE SALES TO BOYS COST MANY A FAT POLICE JOB

R. S. Wallace Tells of Lieutenants Who Have Lost Comfortable Berths and Even Their Rank.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Oct. 6.—Failure to enforce anti-cigarette smoking laws and other statutes for the protection of juvenile morals has cost more than one police lieutenant a berth very much to his liking, and sent some of them down the ladder a rung or two, Roy Smith Wallace, of Philadelphia, secretary of the Pennsylvania Society to Protect Children, told the American Humane Association here today. "Things have changed in Philadelphia," he said, "since a popular uprising produced the Blankenburg regime. "There was a time when we received

little co-operation from the police; when politics intervened. We even have trouble now in isolated cases, where lieutenants are not in full sympathy with our work or whose friends may be affected. When we encounter such instances we ascertain all of the facts and submit them to Director Porter. In this way more than one lieutenant has been shifted or even demoted in the last three years." E. C. Johnstone, of the Vineland Training School for Defective Children, divided subnormal into three grades, idiots, imbeciles and maniacs, who frequently manifest little surface indication of mental deficiency. It is these, however, who are breeding a race of defectives, he said. He said he could not recommend sterilization. Arthur W. Towne, superintendent of the Brooklyn Children's Society, said there was great need for standardization of statistics because statistics frequently lied. Dr. Edward Baker, of Louisville, said that 90 per cent. of the youths who deserted from the navy lacked sense of patriotism because of blunted sensibilities due to excessive cigarette smoking when young.

Favors Purchase of Monticello WASHINGTON, Oct. 6.—President Wilson's tact O. K. has been placed on the proposed plan for the Government to purchase Monticello, Thomas Jefferson's home, it became known officially today. He is not taking a hand, however, in the movement to make Monticello a summer "White House."

# MANY SEE JUDGE WOOLLY TAKE OATH IN U. S. COURT

Delaware Jurist on Appellate Bench for the Third Circuit.

Judge Victor B. Woolly, former judge of the county court of Wilmington, Del., who was appointed by President Wilson last summer to fill the vacancy on the bench of the United States Appellate Court for the Third Circuit, which sits in this city, caused by the resignation of President Judge Gray, was sworn in today in the Post Office Building. The official oath of office was administered by President Judge Buffington. The ceremony, which was brief and formal, was witnessed by more than a hundred lawyers and judges of the Pennsylvania and Delaware Bars. When the new Appellate Judge took his seat the regular list of appeals for the October sessions was called. Among the appeals of public interest to be heard is the case of the Wolbach Lighting Company, which recovered a verdict against the city under a contract for street lighting. The city had made certain deductions for alleged violations of the contract, but the company succeeded in getting a verdict. Assistant City Solicitor Edgar W. Lank submitted a voluminous brief of argument to sustain what he contended were errors in the lower court's finding against the city. The suit was tried in the United States District Court as the parties in the case are incorporated in different States.

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