

ENGLAND'S REJOINER TO U. S. PROTEST INSISTS BLOCKADE MUST GO ON Declares American Trade Is Treated Fairly and There Have Been No Undue Delays in Prize Courts.

WASHINGTON, June 25.—The memorandum of the British Government in regard to the enforcement of the order in council as affecting American trade, while framed in the friendly spirit and expressing a desire to make every possible concession to the United States, without endangering the blockade of Germany, nevertheless insists that this blockade must go on.

The memorandum, so far as the vital issues between the Government and Great Britain are concerned, leaves the situation exactly where it was, except that Great Britain has laid before this country the details of what she has done to make the burden upon the United States as light as possible.

The receipt of the British memorandum probably will not alter the determination of President Wilson and his advisers to send a strong protest to Great Britain against her interference with American noncontraband trade with the ports of neutral countries adjacent to Germany.

As viewed by officials here the benefits and favors set forth by Great Britain in the memorandum as acts of grace on her part fell far short of the rights which the United States has under the rules of international law.

Great Britain denies that there has been any undue delay in dealing with cases of detained American cargoes. For delays in the prize court proceedings she lays the blame entirely upon American ship owners, citing from the court records to prove her contention.

Great Britain calls attention to the special considerations that she has given to United States business interests by way of permitting the shipment from Germany of goods bought and paid for prior to March 1, the date when the blockade became effective. Although this cannot be continued, Great Britain adds in her memorandum that she will be prepared to give special consideration to cases involving particular hardships if the goods concerned are required for neutral Governments or municipalities or in respect of works of public utility.

The British note does not attempt to deal with the principle underlying the order in council and Ambassador Page specifically states that it is not intended as an answer to the note of the United States of March 10, protesting against certain features of the blockade.

Whether or not Great Britain intends to reply to the note of March 30 is not disclosed. The chief point raised in that note was that Great Britain had no right under the principles of international law to interfere with American noncontraband cargoes bound to and from the ports of neutral countries adjacent to Germany. It is this feature of the blockade against which President Wilson will direct another protest unless some satisfaction is rendered in a reply by Great Britain.

CROWD CHASES THIEF WHO STOLE \$35 FROM CHILD Culprit Runs Into Empty House and Is Locked Up.

Police men, women shoppers, newsboys, "white wings" and several storekeepers in West Philadelphia today chased an alleged thief who stole \$35 from a baby carriage. The man was arrested after the chase led through side streets and alleys. During the chase plenty of material was furnished which any moving picture man would have appreciated. The alleged thief walked into a vacant house, where he was locked in a closet and kept there until the police arrived.

Kath Schuster, 9 years old, of 5771 Chestnut street, was sent by her father to the West Philadelphia bank, at 52d and Chestnut streets to cash a check for \$35. She took along her infant brother who was in a carriage. At 5th and Chestnut streets, it is charged by the police, John Williams, alias "Kerry" Williams, of 138 North Ruby street, took the money from the baby carriage.

AFTER JUDGESHIP Senator Kern Candidate for a Seat on Bench of Federal Court.

WASHINGTON, June 25.—Senator John W. Kern, of Indiana, is a candidate for appointment as Judge of the Federal Circuit Court of Appeals. His name was left vacant by Judge Grosscup's retirement about two years ago.

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TEUTONS YIELD GROUND AT DNIESTER FORDS

Continued from Page One. South and at the Labyrinth, on the Meuse Heights, the Germans gained a temporary advantage, but were later beaten back with deadly machine gun fire.

LINSINGEN'S COLUMN LOSES ON DNIESTER, BERLIN ADMITS Yield Ground Gained by Passage of River.

BERLIN, June 25.—German troops northwest of Halle, Gallia, under command of General Linsingen, have met with a reverse on the Dniester River and have withdrawn to the south bank of the stream, it is admitted in today's official report. The report also admits that the village of Kopaczynka, on the Omulew River, in Russian Poland, has also been evacuated by the Germans.

RUSSIANS THROW FOE BACK TO SOUTH SIDE OF DNIESTER Teutons Put to Defense Under Adverse Conditions.

PETROGRAD, June 25.—A Russian victory on the Dniester River in Galicia is announced in an official statement issued here at midnight. It says that the forces of the army which crossed to the north bank of the river on Wednesday morning were driven back. The German losses are declared to have been enormous.

Austrian forces which reached the left bank of the Dniester at another point were also flung back. The official statement says that the German forces have been forced to take the defensive under different conditions.

Part of their forces are crowded upon islands in the Dniester. The Russian forces that evicted the Germans have made good their retreat, repulsing attacks by the pursuing enemy.

The official report from headquarters follows: "There were unimportant changes on the rivers Dniester, Vents and Dubissa on Wednesday and on the Narw-Vistula front only minor advance guard actions; on the Tanef front it was also calm."

"In the direction of Zolkiew and Lemberg, during the evening of the 23d and the following day the enemy made attempts at an ulterior offensive, endeavoring, with extraordinary persistence to advance in the direction of the villages of Callikouff and Emilovytze; along the railway from Lemberg to Berelany attempts failed owing to our counter-attacks."

"On the front at Zuzavnodemeskovoito a desperate battle is in progress and is developing in our favor. Great German forces, which crossed the left bank of the Dniester in the Kozary district on Wednesday morning, suffered enormous losses and were driven back to the river, where they were forced to assume the defensive under different conditions."

"Some of their troops are crowded on islands in the middle of the river, while others are clinging to the left bank."

"Near Martynovouroudiany the Austrians crossed the left Dniester, but were flung back over the river by a dashing counter-attack on the part of our troops. Their losses up to 10 o'clock were 40 officers and 170 men of the various regiments taken prisoners."

"The enemy is endeavoring to hold the ground, and the houses close to the river are offering desperate resistance. In the fighting our heavy and light artillery gave effective support."

"In Komierzh, southeast of Nislow, we are taking the offensive. On the 23d we approached Mount Bezymyniana, which was occupied and strongly fortified by the enemy. After digging in our troops on Wednesday advanced impetuously to assault the mountain. The enemy, not daring to face our bayonet attack, fell back in disorder to their second line."

GONZALES REPULSED FROM MEXICO CITY

Cartanza Forces Driven Back From Capital by Zapatistas' Heavy Fire.

WASHINGTON, June 25.—Pablo Gonzales and his Carranzista army, sent to occupy Mexico City, have been repulsed by a heavy artillery fire from the Zapatista defenders of the capital and have been forced to retreat some distance from the outskirts of the capital. This was the news received in Washington from reliable sources today.

The Carranza government was reported in these advices to be much chagrined at the repulse of Gonzales. General Cartanza had expected the Zapatistas to withdraw without showing fight.

Dispatches to the State Department from Consul Canada at Vera Cruz announced that telegraphic communication with Mexico City is still interrupted and the cable company does not expect to restore its lines to the capital until Gonzales' army enters the city.

Consul General Silliman, at Vera Cruz, reported that, in company with Consul General Shacklin, he presented Charles J. O'Connor, chief of Red Cross relief work in central Mexico, to General Cartanza. The chief reiterated his previous agreement to forward relief supplies to Mexico City and gave O'Connor a letter to General Gonzales, urging that every assistance be given the Red Cross. Cartanza's War Department, however, suggested to O'Connor that he defer his attempt to reach Mexico City until it had been occupied by Constitutional troops.

FRESH DRIVE ON WARSAW IS PLAN OF GERMAN STAFF Czar's Army to Make Stand on Galicia Frontier.

LONDON, June 25.—Lemberg having been taken and the Russians driven out of Galicia except for one city, Halicz, a new drive on Warsaw is expected by military observers here.

There are hints of this in a dispatch received by a news agency from Amsterdam this afternoon which announces that the Germans have already begun to shift their surplus army corps from Lemberg north to the Baura River region west of Silesia, the scene of their military disaster of three months ago.

On this line the Germans will have confronted them not only the ring of strong forts around Warsaw, but the river barriers like the Vistula. Russia has enough men in this section to permit the soldiers who have gone through the hard Galician campaign to rest. They have the guns and they have the military bases from which to put up a hard fight.

The exact disposition of the Russian troops in northern and eastern Galicia is not known. It is thought that the Grand Duke Nicholas will endeavor to establish a position on the Bug River in Bessarabia, but it is not known here whether his forces are closely pursued or whether the victorious Teutons are making ready to shift their forces to another point.

It is safe to say, however, that as soon as any indications of a withdrawal of heavy artillery to another quarter are observed the Russians will turn and assume the offensive.

New Castle County Tax Rate Raised

WILMINGTON, Del., June 25.—Members of the Levy Court this afternoon fixed the county tax rate at 50 cents on the \$100 of assessed value. The present tax rate is 20 cents. This will make an increase of 30 cents on the \$100, and in addition the body has placed tax on automobiles for the first time. The county is now without funds.

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THINKS ORDINANCE ILLEGAL

Ryan Believes Public Works Department Must Control "Squares."

City Solicitor Ryan doubts the legality of the ordinance recently passed by Councils over the Mayor's veto placing under supervision of the Commissioners of Fairmount Park Logan, Rittenhouse, Franklin, Washington and Independence Squares.

The ordinance also provides for the condemnation of the residences on the west side of Logan Square, including the homes of Mayor Blankenburg and Senator James F. McNichol, ostensibly for the widening of the Parkway, but rumored to be for the purpose of providing a frontage on the Parkway for the Juvenile and Domestic Relations Municipal courthouse to be erected at 20th and Race streets. The properties aggregate almost \$1,000,000 in value.

In an opinion to Mayor Blankenburg Mr. Ryan points out that the act of 1913, under which the transfer of supervision of public squares is made, apparently conflicts with provisions of the Bullitt bill, which places public squares "under the direction, control and administration of the Department of Public Works."

The ordinance passed by Councils was introduced by President McCurdy at request of Eli Kirk Price, a commissioner of Fairmount Park. Employees and caretakers in the squares under the Park Commissioners are exempt from civil service regulations and requirements.

Sheriff to Sell "Skyscraper"

The eight-story store and office building, 53d and Ludlow streets, the skyscraper for that section of West Philadelphia, is to be sold at Sheriff's sale on July 8 to satisfy a mortgage judgment, with interest, amounting to \$42,942.21.

Woman Blown to Pieces

WAITS, N. Y., June 25.—Mrs. Martha Dunham, 73 years old, was blown to bits and her home wrecked today when she attempted to hurry a fire in her kitchen stove by pouring oil on it.

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UNITED BUSINESS MEN WILL OPPOSE OVERBROOK R. R. YARD

Committee Appointed to Help Fight Councilman Ordinance.

The United Business Men's Association has allied itself with the Overbrook Improvement Association in the fight to prevent the Pennsylvania Railroad Company from establishing a freight yard in the Overbrook residential section.

A committee from the United Association will co-operate with representatives of the Overbrook Association in combating the measure permitting the establishment of the yard when it comes before Common Council next Wednesday. The ordinance as it emerged from a subcommittee of Councils was passed by Select Council last Wednesday, although it was objectionable to the Overbrook residents.

Former Senator John J. Coyle vigorously assailed the freight yard policy of the Pennsylvania Railroad before the United Business Men last night. He also attacked the councilman subcommittee that reported on the ordinance. Charles T. Marshall, Common Councilman from the 34th Ward, one of the committee, was accused of traitorous action in the matter.

Mr. Coyle asserted that the railroad company had "buncoed" Select Council and that if it has the same success in Common Council next Wednesday a property loss to the city amounting to millions of dollars will result.

Exciting Half Hour Here

Burning Automobile and False Fire Alarm Keep Everybody Busy.

A near riot call, a fire alarm, an exciting chase and a burning automobile stirred things up for a while early today in the vicinity of 23d street and Columbia avenue, when a pedestrian, presumably a "false-alarm fiend," attempted to ring in two alarms for an overheated automobile radiator.

James McAvoy, of 2103 North 23d street, chauffeur for Albert Foster, of 1809 North 23d street, stopped his automobile at the curb when he saw the radiator smoking. He uncrowded the cap and poured some water in the hot receptacle. When he heard the alarm box on the corner ringing down Columbia avenue to 29th street, where he attempted to turn in a second alarm when confronted by Policeman Dreers, of the 29th and Oxford streets police station. A chase up and down the street ensued, the man getting away on a trolley car. Meanwhile the firemen were looking for the fire.

"If I had known that he was one of those false-alarm fiends," said Dreers, "I would have sent in a riot call to get him."

Lansdowne High Graduates 43

At the 20th annual commencement of the Lansdowne High School, held last night in the school auditorium, 43 boys and girls received their diplomas. The Rev. Floyd W. Tomkins, pastor of the Trinity Episcopal Church, made the principal address. The invocation was offered by the Rev. Burton Masters, pastor of the Lansdowne Methodist Episcopal Church.

A. Arthur Dewar received the Cooper scholarship, valued at \$150. The gold medal for the highest marks in general work was given to Ruth Cotton.

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