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U. S. REJECTS VIENNA NOTE, WILL REITERATE DEMANDS: OFFICIALS FORESEE BREAK

President and Cabinet Decide That Austrian Position Is Unsatisfactory and Not Justified

Lansing Authorized to Send Rejoinder That Virtually Will Be an Ultimatum-No Further Discussion Will Be Admitted.

Vienna Follows Berlin's Example as Set Forth in Lusitania Affair and Requests Further Information on Various Points in America's First

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17. Austria's ceply to the demands of the United States In the Apcona case was today called utterly unsatisfactory to this Government. It was considered at length at a Cabinet meeting, following which Secretary of State Robert Lansing was given complete and absolute authority to deal with the entire subject as he shall think best.

It was the consensus of opinion of the

Cabinet that, unless the note is a play for time, it can be regarded by the Pres-ident and his advisers only as a rejection of the American demands.

FAILS TO SATISFY

The Cabinet conference developed the following facts:

First—The reply falls to state a new Austrian position that is in any way responsive to the American position.

Second—It was deemed ridiculous that Austria should dispute the facts as recited in the American pate inasympton. alistica should dispute the facts as re-cited in the American note, inasmuch as that note very specificially set forth that the facts had been gleaned from an offi-cial report of the Austrian admiralty. Third—The suggestion that Austria could not be bound by the precedents set up in the correspondence with Germany lkewise was brushed aside as irrelevant.

"It is not a question of precedents, but one of fundamental principles" was the position enunclated by Secretary Lansing to the Cabinet.

Fourth. That indicative, perhaps, of a disire on the part of the Austrian Government to get popular support for a vigorous rejection of the American demands it was learned from American demands in the control of the American demands it was learned from American demands in the control of the control of the American demands in the control of Finds it was learned from Ambassador Penfeld that the text of the American Diffe has just been published in the Aus-

In referring the entire question to Secretary Lansing for settlement as he shall se fit the President made no hampering It is considered certain that within the next few days what may prove to be the final word will be sent forward to Austria. It will simply state it unless Austria has new actual facts to put forward this government must demand a reply to its request for a dis-avowal; otherwise a continuance of amicable relations cannot be possible.

BELIEVE BREAK WILL COME. There was not a single member of the Cabinet who considered the outlook other than serious. The consensus of opinion was that an open diplomatic break must The only ray of hope was that Zwiedinek has received instructions of a character such as Count vo-Bernstorff was in possession of when the Amble outlook was most dark and the ferculing of which saved the situation. But it was officially stated that there was no evidence to warrant a belief that any such instructions were here. At the Austrian Embassy it was admitted that general instructions covering a course of ac-tion had reached the Charge, but in-formation concerning them was refused. In the event of a break it is understood that Baron Zwiedinek has been instructed to turn the affairs of his embassy over to the Spanish Ambassador. No decision yet been reached as to who will take over American affairs in Vienna. Officials say that this is a matter that has not yet been considered by Secretary Lansins. For a time it appeared that the Cabinet would not pass upon the note. Certain sections had become mixed in cable transmission and had to be repeated back for correction. The Cabinet meeting was half over before a State Department messenger rushed to the White House with the per-

t was learned late this afternoon that the President intends to hold a final con-ference with Secretary Lansing on the reply to be made to Austria before he leaves on his honorymen. leaves on his honeymoon. At this con-ference the President is expected to out-line just what action this Government will take in case Austria does not reply premptly and favorably to the second

WEATHER

Did you play horse this morning and walk in the middle of the street? Everywalk in the middle of the street? Everybody did who had to be at work before a cclock, after which time the high temperatures made sliding impossible and wading unavoidable. However, it is a fine day in every respect—for the man who sells overshoes, umbreilias and raincoats. And all the slush and rain and discomfort doesn't seem to have appreciably decreased the throng of Christmas buyers. Do your shopping and slopping early.

FORECAST.

For Philadelphia and vicinity-Rain and warmer tonight followed by clearing Saturday; colder Saturday night; fresh to brisk southerly winds.

LOST AND FOUND

2-CARAT DIAMOND OUT OF RING LOST.
The day evening December 15, either at
Taking Cafe or between there and Keith's
The day of from Keith's Theatre to 16th and
Balant. Liberal reward if returned to 340 DOSTON HERINDLE BULLDOG lost, 4 white full white mase and broast, serow tall with white tip, two small scars on boad an-sers to Bob \$20 reward if returned 1814

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Reasons Why Austrian Note Is Unsatisfactory

The basis for the rejection of the Austrian reply, which was char-acterized by the President and the Cabinet as unsatisfactory, is that Vienna has failed to meet the de-mands of the United States and has not given any valid reasons for the attitude it has assumed.

That a break in diplomatic relations is almost certain to follow, should Austria fail to accept and comply with the demands of the United States, which will be reiterated in a new note, is the virtually unanimous opinion of Gov-

ernment officials,
The President and Cabinet have delegated full authority to Secretary Lansing to frame such a reply to Austria as he may deem necessary. It is said that the new note will leave no loophole for Austria to demand further discussion of the subject and that its rejection will automatically sever diplomatically sever diplomatically sever diplomatically sever diplomatically sever diplomatical series of the subject and several series of the s matic relations between the two

Austria will be informed that the United States based its original demands upon the affidavits of American survivors on the Ancona as well as the official Austrian report. This will be the only concession the United States will make in its new

SUSPENSION FOR YEAR IS VERDICT IN RICHMOND CASE

Chancellor Sends Jury Back to Sentence Rector, However

DELIBERATING AGAIN

A recommendation of one year's suspension for the Rev. George Chalmera Richmond was made late this afternoon. by the triers in the ecclestination! court, before which the rector of St. John's Episcopal Church has been on trial on charges of violating his ordination yows and conduct unbecoming a clergyman.

This announcement came as a surprise. It was explained by Chancellor Budd that under the canons of the church the triers must sentesce or exonerate, and that they have no power merely to recommend. The

The recommendation was acompanied y the announcement that Mr. Richmond had ben found kuilty on three charges Before the triers had opportunity to spec ify Just what charges these are, they vere instructed to return and deter-

BELGIAN RELIEF SHIP BEACHED AND DAMAGED

Levenpool Believed to Be Victim of Submarine Attack

LONDON, Dec. 17 .- The British steamship Levenpool, bound from New York to Rotterdam, has been "damaged and beached," Lloyds announced this after-

The Levenpool was under charter to Belgium and was carrying a cargo of supplies for the Belgians. the American Committee for Relief

No details were given in the first an-nouncement, but its similarity to those made when a ship has been sunk by a submarine was taken in shipping circles to indicate that the vessel had been at-

acked by a German U-boat. The Levenpool, a ship of 4844 gross onnage, owned by the Pool Shipping Company, left New York on November 4. On its way to Rotterdam it was cheduled to stop at Falmouth.

An Amsterdam dispatch says it was reported there that the ship had been sunk by a mine or a torpedo, but that the erew had been saved. The Levenpool was built in 1911. ength was 376 feet and it was 57 feet

LEMONADE QUENCHES FIRE

Ordinary Pink Variety of Drink Extinguishes Blaze Started by Children Playing With Matches

Two glasses of lemonade were used today to e building.

It happened this way: Two small children playing with the average child's favorite toy-matches set fire to a lace curtain in the second-story front room of the home of Sam Walvick, at 25 North 5th street, next door to the Gayety Theatre. Some thoughtful person sent in an alarm, but Sam wouldn't be annoyed by waiting for the engines, and started to put it out himself. He thought first of water. He went to the bathroom it was occupied. He then rushed into his igar store below and looked at his sods contain, a beautiful instrument that at-

tracts the thirsty.
Two glasses of pink lemonade rested Two glasses of pink lemonade rested thereon, waiting for the entrance of a customer. Sam grabbed the drinks, rushed upstairs and fearlessly threw them at the curtain. Exit the fire and the place was saved.

Warden at New Castle Workhouse WILMINGTON, Del., Dec. 17,-Trustees Wil.MINGTON, Del., Dec. 17.—Trustees of the New Castle County Workhouse to-day announced the appointment of Captair, Richard P. Cross to be chief warden of the New Castle County Workhouse to succeed Leonard Crawford, who resigned on account of ill health. Captain Cross has for several years been deputy warden at the New Jersey State Reformatory at Rabway, N. J. RECEIVES SETBACK IN MURDER CASE



Edward F. Keller, of Kensington, who was arrested on suspicion of murdering D. J. McNichol, whose body was found in a trunk under a cellar, was held without bail to await the action of the Coroner's Jury at his hearing in the Central Station today. As the photograph shows, Keller's quiet, intelligent face gave no evidence of what his feelings might have been when he lost the first step in what promises to be a long legal battle.

'TRAITOR' CHARGE KELLER HELD IN BY MRS. ASQUITH

British Premier's Wife D. J. McNichol, Victim of Says the London Globe Called Her 'Disgrace'

ACTION CAUSES SURPRISE

LONDON, Dec. 17.-Mrs. Herbert H. Asquith, wife of the British Premier, brought a suit for libel against the Globe

The action of Mrs. Asquith cause sensation. The suit is based on the charge that the Globe had made various infounded accusations against the The actual defendants are the

bers of the Business Newspapers Ltd., proprietors of the Globe. Henry E. Duke, king's counsel and at-Henry E. Duke, sing a conset an ac-torney for Mrs. Asquith, said in fling the suit that "Mrs. Asquith had been de-scribed as a tratter and a disgrace to her sex"; that she had been attacked in "most opprobrious terms," and that she had been accused of want of loyalty and association with German prisoners at the calculation [43].

Desnington Hall. Desnington Hall.

"The attacks were systematically and malevolently maintained," said Duke. "heing suspended only after the issue of a writ of persecution. Mrs. Asquith was a will of her seculiar. As a substitute of her seculiar for nearly a whole year. The attacks began hist spring in another newspaper, which mainlines periodized and at Mrs. Asquitti's instignation paid \$100 (\$500 to the Red

The attorney further said that sheaves of anonymous letters had been sent to Mrs. Asquith and imputations east upon her in society owing to the attacks in

Continuing his statement to the court,

Duke said:
"The libels were as gross and had as could be made against any English woman. They were calculated to inflame the people against Mrs. Asquith and shake public confidence in the administration.
"Counsel has overwhelming proof that the words in these attacks designated Mrs. Asquith, it was impossible for them to apply to the wife of any other Cabinet Minister, Mrs. Asquith has de-Cabinet Minister. Mrs. Asquith has de-nied under oath that statement regarding Donnington Hall."

The case was adjourned until Tuesday at the request of the defendants.

IL NEMICO ATTACCATO DALL'ALTO E FUGATO

Riuscito Esperimento di Attacco da Parte di Una Grande Squadra di Velivoli

on bombe e con cannoni e mitragliatrici e trincce austriache in Vai Chiapevano, ostringendo il nemico ad abbandonare la (Leggere in 6 pagina le ultime e piu' dettagliate notizie sulla guerra, in ital-

andra di 48 velivoli italiani ha attaccato

BASIS OF A SUIT | TRUNK MURDER; \$2000 MISSING

Frankford Crime, Had That Sum Shortly Before He Disappeared

SEEN DIGGING IN CELLAR

Today's Developments in the Trunk Murder

Edward J. Keller, 47 years old, Motive believed to be connected with disappearance of \$2000 borrowed by Daniel J. McNichel, identified as murdered man. How the money was disposed of

was never explained.

Mrs. Jennings, mother-in-law of victim, says she gave Keller \$35 for McNichol after the latter's disappearance on March 30, 1914.

Keller and by mid-declare March 20, 1914.

Keller and his wife declare Mc-Nichol is still alive and that it was not his body that was found in a trunk in a cellar at 4062 Frankford avenue.

Former partner of Keller says he saw him digging hole in cellar near where body was found.

Edward J. Keller was held to awalt the action of the Coroner by Magistrate Pennack in City Hall police court today, n connection with the naurder of Daniel McNichol, his former associate in the

The body found on Wednesday in crass-bound steamer trank in the cellar of 4062 Frankford avenue, a dismantied wife of McNichol, who had been missing for the last 29 months.

for the last % months.

The prisoner declares that McNichol is still alive, and his attorney showed that the chief line of detense would be an attack on the identification.

Connery gave the most important testimony at the hearing, which was attended by Assistant District Attorney Taulane, representing the Commonwealth. The former handleyman, now a powdermaker at

representing the Commonwealth. The for-mer laundryman, now a powdermaker at Carney's Point, said he had seen his-partner, Keller, diaging a hele in the cellar of their laundry in the second week of April, 1914, shortly after the disappearance of McNichol, which oc-curred on March 36, 1914. This hole was a few feet from where the trunk con-taining the body was buried and where it was discovered by workmen engaged in deepening the cellar.

Another important piece of evidence was Continued on Page Six, Column One

Husband and Wife Die in Fire

LONG BRANCH, N. J., Dec. II.-Chartes H. Hayes, 30 years old, and his wife were burned to death in a fire which destroyed their home early today.

DR. SHAW WEEPS AMID WEALTH OF FLORAL TRIBUTES

Gray-haired Suffrage Leader Receives Touching Ovation

ELECTION POLLS CLOSE

Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt Probably Chosen New President

By M'LISS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17. - Dr. Anna Howard Shaw, veteran leader of the suffrage cause in the United States, stood on the platform in the Convention Hall this afternoon tears streaming down her face. as the 800 delegates and alternates to the 47th annual gathering covered her waist

deep in flowers. According to a preagranged plan, every member had brought a floral offering with her, and when the beloved woman pounded the gavel to call the meeting to order she was pelted with enough roses, chrysanthemums, violets and lilies to stock a con-

The adoption of the budget and the raising of funds were the scheduled features of the infermeon's session, but the demonstration for Doctor Shaw could be converted by the session.

SADNESS MAKES CONVENTION. SADNESS MAKES CONVENTION.

Ever since it became definitely certain that the redominable president of the National American. Woman Suffrage Association would remain adamant in her determination not to allow her mane to be used for re-election to the office that she has beld for the last 12 years a feeling of sadness has pervaded the convention.

That sadness was visibly expressed this afternoon, Gray-haired workers who for years have been in harness with Dr. Shaw shook her hand and patted her lovingly as they wiped away the tears Young enthusiasts, who expect to follow her precepts, thanked her for the example she has set them.

Somebody, however, had the foresight to engage a band, and the lashrymose aspect of the meeting was drowned in the

to engage a band, and the lachrymose aspect of the meeting was drownest in the strains of suffrage times.

A golden wreath of leaves, symbolic of the years of golden service Doctor Shaw has rendered the association, was presented to her. On the platform with her sat such veteran members of the organization as Mrs. John McDougal, Mrs. Hert Dexter, Mrs. Harriet Taylor Unton and Dr. Mary Hussey. and Dr. Mary Hussey.

COMMITTEES TO CONFER. The personnel of the committee ap-pointed this morning to confer with five members of the Congressional Union in an endeavor to make the work on the Susan B. Anthony Federal amendment more dignified and more potent is signifi-cant of the importance the National As-sociation attaches to this conference. The quintet appointed represents the wisest politicians in the organization today. They are Mrs. Carrie Chapman Cati. New York; Miss Hinnah J. Patterson, Pennsylvania; Mrs. Medill McCormick, Olinois: Mrs. Stanley McCormick, Massa chusetts, and Mrs. Antoinette Funk, of Washington.

The election polls closed at 2 o'clock, The election polls closed at 2 o'clock, and although the official count is not to be announced until tonight, it is indisputably conceded that Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, for whom Doctor Shaw cast the first vote, is the new president, with Mrs. Frank M. Roessing, of Pennsylvania, as first vice president, and Miss Hannah J. Patterson as verresponding secretary. Ways and means of raising a \$50,000 badget will be discussed at a late sension today.

PRESIDENT'S WEDDING PLANS COMPLETED FOR CEREMONY TOMORROW

Marriage at Home of the Bride Between 8:30 and 9:30 o'Clock in the Evening

FEW GUESTS TO ATTEND

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—The last de-tail for the wedding of Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States, and Mrs. Edith Rolling Galt was completed today. It will take place between 8:30 and 8:30 o'clock tomorrow night. The late hour has been selected to county i, the the selected to county i, the the selected to county i, the the selected to the President, that no account of the reremony be printed in the newspapers until Sanday morning.

The marriage ceremony will be performed in the front drawing room of the home of the bride, 1388 20th street, N. W., by the Rev. Lr. Herbert Scott Smith, rector of St. Margaret's Protestant Episcopal Church, of which Mrs. Gali is a communicant. A hower of fecus and palms, decorated

A hower of ferns and palms, decorated and long unoccupied building formerly leased by Keller and Edward J. Connery as a laundry, was identified by the young wife of McNichol, who had been missing for the last 29 mouths. will take place. As the rector of St.

the words of the simple church wedding service the President and his bride will kneel in front of the altar.

There are to be no formal attendants, aithough Miss Bertha Holling, sister of Mrs. Galt, will wait on her sister to the point where she meets the President Just before they approach the altar, immediabefore they approach the alter. Immedi-ately after the wedding the guests will sit down to a wedding supper, after which the President and his bride will leave ter resort, where they can be assured The only outsider not a member of the

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Father Trimble Transferred

Mary Star of the Sea Church, at Brunch dale, has been appointed rector of St. Stephen's Church, at Port Carbon The Rev. Daniel A. Daly, curate of St. Agatha's Church, in this city, has been appointed to succeed Father Trimble at Branchdale.

QUICK NEWS

GIRL TAKES POISON, FOUND ON SIDEWALK

A protty 19-year-old girl was found lying on the sidewalk at 19th and Spring Garden streets suffering, the police say, from an everdose of poison. She was taken to the Hahnemann Hospital. Physicians say she will die. She gave her name as Beatrice Ludlow, of Bridgeport, Conn., and said that lack of funds caused her action.

ITALY RELEASES GREEK MERCHANTMEN

ROME. Dec. 17-A number of Greek merchant ships, which were detailed in Italian ports by the Allies' blockade, were released

TURKS AND GERMANS ON MARCH TO INDIA

is reported there that Turkish and German troops are marching on India via Bagdad and Persia.

LONDON, Dec. 17 .- A Renter dispatch from Petrograd says it

16 KILLED, 50 INJURED IN ENGLISH WRECK

NEWCASTLE, Eng., Dec. 17.—Sixteen persons were killed, more than 50 injured and several missing as the result of a triple collision today between a freight train, a pilot engine and a passenger train in a heavy fog near Jarrow, Four coaches overturned and were incinerated.

BOY-ED AND VON PAPEN TO SAIL NEXT TUESDAY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 .- Captains Boy-Ed and von Paper, the late German naval and military attaches, whose recall was obtained by the United States, will sail for Germany from New York on Tuesday, December 21, it was learned authoritatively here today. It is said they wish to get away from the United States as soon as possible, and Tuesday is the earliest date on which they can obtain passage.

BRITAIN LIFTS BAN ON RED CROSS SUPPLIES

LONDON, Dec. 17,-The British authorities sanction the announcement that the ban has been lifted on the shipment of medical stores, from America for use in Germany by the American Red Cross. This is the outcome of the protest recently made to the authorities through the American Embassy here that rubber gloves needed by American Red Cross workers in Germany had been stopped in transit. It is now arranged that all medical material will be allowed to go through, provided the American Government guarantees the supplies will only be used by the Red Cross itself,

BULGARIA TO RAISE NEW ARMY IN SERBIA

AT's cins, Dec. 17.—The Hestia learns from Sofia that the Bulgarian Goverament is preparing a new army by calling up all exempted men and all Bulgarians able to bear arms living in the regions occupied in Serbia. The Bulgarian staff is said to count upon thus raising an army of 150,000 men. They will be armed with Austrian rifles.

ITALIAN LINER SUNK BY U-BOAT

LONDON, Dec. 17.—The Italian liner Porto Said, 5301 tons, has been sunk a submarine, according to a Lloyds announcement issued today. The Porto Said was engaged in trade between Italian ports and Arabia and Egypt, and it is presumed that the liner was sunk in the Mediterranean.

The ship was built in 1884 and was 439 feet long and 46 feet wide, RUSSIANS GCCUPY IMPORTANT PERSIAN CITY

PETROGRAD, Dec. 17.-Russian troops have occupied the important ' Persian city of Hamadan, it was officially announced today.

Hamadan lies 165 miles southwest of Teheran and has a population of about 38,000. Trade routes from Bagdad, Tabriz, Ispahan and Teheran meet at Hamadan.

PRIEST HERO OF ITALIAN LANDING IN ALBANIA

ROME, Dec. 17.-Details relative to the destruction of the transport Re Umberto and the destroyer Intrepido by mines when the Italians landed in Albania were given out today. These show that the hero of the disaster was the Rev. Father Parolin, chaplain of the Re Umberto, who refused to leave the ship until every man was off. Just as he was about to jump from the sinking ship the chaplain saw a drowning soldier without any life preserver, Without a minute's hesitation Father Parolin removed his own life preserver and threw it to the soldier.

MARCONI URGES HUSBANDING OF ALLIES' RESOURCES ROME, Dec. 17.-William Marconi, inventor of the wireless telegraph, made his maiden speech in the Senate tonight. He praised Italy's entrance into the Quadruple Entente and urged the wise husbanding of the Allies' resources so that they would not be wasted. The speech was warmly received

and vigorously applauded.

BRITISH LAW OFFICERS CUT THEIR OWN SALARIES

LONDON, Dec. 17.—The Attorney General, Sir Frederick Smith, announced in the House of Commons that he and the Solicitor General, Sir George Cave, recommended to Premier Asquith immediately after their appointment that the salary of each of them be reduced by \$5000 and that a large reduction also be made in the scale of their fees. The net result, he estimated, would be a saving of at least \$50,000. At the same time, Sir Frederick said, they informed the Premier they were prepared to consent to any further reduction which the Cabinet or the House of Commons might believe to be required.

KITCHENER TO WED COUNTESS OF MINTO, IS REPORT

LONDON, Dec. 17 .- It is reported on excellent authority that the engagement of Earl Kitchener of Khartoum to the Dowager Countess of Minto will be announced shortly. The Counters has been a widow for almost two years, her usband, the late Earl of Minto, having died on February 28, 1914. He was Viceroy of India in succession to Lord Curzon of Kedleston. Earl Minto went to India from Canada, where he was Governor General for six years,

BERLIN SUPPRESSES SOCIALIST PROCLAMATION

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 17. Hugo Hause, leader of the 41 Socialists forming the peace party in the German Reichstag, has issued a proclamation which the newspapers are prohibited from printing. It is much discussed in political circles as signifying a political battle. "There is every reason to believe the Reichstag will have to sit much longer than was expected in order to deal with the pressing discontent among the masses," says the Rotterdam correspondent of the Daily News. "In order to appeare these clamorings it will need to deal with no fewer than 130 resolutions, all relating to the distribution of food.

GERMAN SHELL HITS CHURCHILL'S DUGOUT

LONDON, Dec. 17.-Winsten Spencer Churchill, who resigned his portfolio as Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster in order to join his regiment at the front, had a narrow escape a few days ago, according to wounded men who have arrived at home. These men say Mr. Churchill's dugout was hit by a Ger-

U. S. PROTEST DELIVERED TO FRENCH GOVERNMENT

PARIS, Dec. 17.-The American note to France concerning the removal of rsons from the American steamer Coame and other American vessels by the French cruiser Descurtes has been delivered to the Foreign Office. It is presumed several days will be required for consideration of the subject before a reply

TURKS DRIVE OFF FRENCH TRANSPORTS

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 17 .- Turkish artillery drove off two enemy ansports attempting to discharge troops in the Ari Burnu region, it was officially announced today. The War Office also reported that the Anglo-French fired about 2000 shells against the Turkish centre almost without result. The Turkish official statement gives further indication that the Allies are sending fresh troops to the Dardanelles.

Montague Glass' New Characters, Zapp and Birsky, Will Discuss Art and Collecting in Tomorrow's Evening Ledge