

AUSTRIA'S PLEDGE AVERTS U. S. BREAK

Only "Overt Act" by U-Boat
Will End Diplomatic
Relations

WILSON TO MAKE REPLY

Washington Appreciates Delicate
Position of Dual Monarchy
in Crisis

WASHINGTON, March 7.—There will be no diplomatic break with Austria for the present, unless the submarines of the dual monarchy force the hand of President Wilson by some "overt act" in which American lives are endangered. This was stated authoritatively today after officials had digested the reply of the Austrian Government to this Government's inquiry concerning her attitude on the submarine warfare as conducted by Germany.

THE RIGHT TO ARM

The one point on which the two Governments are in flat discord is that of the arming of American merchant vessels. The Austro-Hungarian Government is of the opinion that the arming of merchant vessels, even solely for defense, is not established by international law. They are to be regarded as pirate vessels which may be destroyed.

AWAIT OVERT ACT

That President Wilson will reply to the Austrian note is believed certain—unless his hand is forced by some "overt act." The Vienna note was so inviting to further negotiations that it is not believed this Government can very well avoid further inquiry into the matter without appearing to be forcing the issue.

COATESVILLE HOTELS SEEK LICENSE RENEWAL

Remonstrances Not Specific, but
Plea of "No Necessity"
Is Urged

WEST CHESTER, March 7.—Two Coatesville hotels still remain in line to secure licenses if the Court chooses to grant them. Both are new applicants, but remonstrances have been filed against them. The remonstrances, however, are not specific and just what action the Court will take when they are considered is, of course, not known nor will it be until the hearings on remonstrances are called up on March 19, when both matters will be given the usual hearing.

The two hotels involved are the Hotel Grand, for which Jeremiah H. Heardon asks a license, and the Subway House, in the Negro quarter, where Charles H. Taylor asks a license. It is admitted by the remonstrants that both men are well qualified to conduct hotels, and there is nothing charged against them personally, but the matter of "no necessity" will be urged, and the no-license forces will open fire upon them when the applications are considered.

AID FOR STRANDED GIRLS

Country girls who are stranded without money in Philadelphia and girls of every description who are in "hard luck" will be given shelter in a home to be established through the efforts of the Social Service Bureau of the Alliance of Catholic Women. A house has been secured at 505 North Eleventh street and the majority of the furniture needed has already been contributed by women of the alliance as memorials. Mrs. Anna G. Prince, chairman of the Social Service Bureau, was the first to contribute. Mrs. Prince said that a night's lodging would be given to any girl who comes to the house and, if she desires, employment will be found.

TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION

VERNES.—March 7. THEIRNA MAY YERKEN (nee O'Connell) of Eugene, Ore. Notice of funeral given from 5439 Larchwood ave.

WETHERILL.—March 6. WILLIAM SAYRE JOHNSON, son of Gertrude Johnson and late Alfred W. Wetherill, Funeral services, 7:30 p. m., 563 E. Lancaster ave., Bryn Mawr. Int. private.

LOST AND FOUND
PIN.—Lost on Tuesday evening, March 6, at Metropolitan Club, diamond and pearl bar pin set in platinum. Liberal reward. Return to 1824 Locust st.

SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE
YOUNG MAN, with 7 years' experience in national bank, wants position in any desirable place. Write—Jones Co., 1512 N. Broad st.

HELP WANTED—FEMALE
GIRL, colored; general housework; adult family; modern home; West Philadelphia; very desirable place for a home; sleepers, 7-room Woodland 1979.

HELP WANTED—MALE
MAN and wife, aged, chauffeur, butler, coachman, etc. Good references. 1512 N. Broad st. or 1512 N. Broad st. or 1512 N. Broad st.

AND MILLINERY
Hanscom's
Wholesale and Retail Grocers,
Confectioners, Bakers, Restaurantiers,
1512 N. Broad St.

BRITISH FORCES NEARING BAGDAD

Cavalry Attacks Turks 27
Miles From Mesopotamian
Stronghold

AERIAL FIGHTS IN WEST

Berlin Reports Fifteen Allied
Planes Wrecked in Thrilling
Battles

LONDON, March 7.—British cavalry detachments have engaged the Turks nine miles southeast of Ctesiphon and only twenty-seven miles from the gates of Bagdad. It was officially announced today. The engagement occurred Monday afternoon.

The greatest aerial activity since the beginning of the allied offensive on the Somme last July has occurred on the Ancre and Somme fronts this week, said dispatches received here today.

While the Germans were conducting their great retirement heavy fog interrupted the work of the British flyers. This hindered the work of the British aviators and aided the Germans wonderfully in concealing the exact nature of their backward movement.

Sunshine weather succeeded the fog spell on Sunday and British fliers in great force took the air to reconnoiter the new positions to which the Germans had retired. Large squadrons again sped along the front on Monday and Tuesday, sketching the new German works and directing the range of British artillery.

French troops attacked newly captured German positions in Caurieres forest on the northeast front of Verdun last night, but were repulsed by German fire. It was officially announced today.

Berlin, March 7.—French raids and sapping activity gained many German prisoners today, an official statement declared, while German attempts to penetrate to French trenches were checked with heavy losses. The statement said:

French forces raided German trenches and took prisoners between the Oise and the Aisne. The result of a suggestion made by Miss Helen Biddle, of Riverton, N. J., a sophomore. The consent of the college authorities was obtained, although they would not consider it as a part of the regular curriculum.

150 SWARTHMORE GIRLS IN PREPAREDNESS CLASS

Will Learn Red Cross Work Under
Direction of Dr. Rose D. Kimbone.
Ready to Serve Country

Patriotic and proficiency seeking Swarthmore girls have established a preparedness class. More than 150 Swarthmore College girls already have been enrolled, and have started to prepare themselves to be of service to their country in case of war.

PENNSYLVANIA SUNDAY OUTINGS

FROM MARKET STREET WHARF

\$1.00 Atlantic City Wildwood Anglesea
\$2.00 Baltimore
\$2.50 Washington The Nation's Capital

London, March 25; April 29; May 17
Grand St. 7:55 a. m.; West Phila. 7:00 a. m.

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A gentleman said to us, "my grocer charged me \$4 a bushel for potatoes." We answered—serves you right for not watching your grocery bills. Another: "My grocer charges me 8 1/2c for sugar." Serves you right, too.

If we take advantage to over-charge our customers we deserve to lose their confidence. These times of perilously high prices call for a little sacrifice of profits.

Hanscom's

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Confectioners, Bakers, Restaurantiers,
1512 N. Broad St.

ROSENTHAL CHAMPIONS CADWALADER PORTRAIT

Criticizes Charles Henry Hart
for Alleged Inconsistency in
Classifying It



QUESTIONED AS A "FAKE"
Painting of Colonel Lambert Cadwalader, in the Independence Hall collection, the authenticity of which is questioned.

The authenticity of the portrait of Colonel Lambert Cadwalader, one of the Independence Hall collection questioned in accusations of "faking" before the Art Jury and the Independence Hall Commission, was championed today by Albert Rosenthal, a painter of historical portraits, in a statement which he said was "expressly for the benefit of those responsible for the reflection put upon the character of the collection."

WIFE-SLAYER'S CURSE RECALLED AT FUNERAL

Man Who Buried H. H. Holmes,
Murderer, Died After Years
in Sanitarium

The funeral today of John J. O'Rourke, an undertaker, who buried the wife slayer, H. H. Holmes, recalls the curse Holmes directed at those instrumental in his conviction.

Twenty years ago today O'Rourke buried Holmes, after the man who had attracted attention the country over had been hanged. As he went to his death on the gallows, Holmes protested his innocence and cursed those he said were responsible for his conviction.

Since then many who came under the curse have met with either unusual or tragic death, whether they were detectives, physicians or officials. One after another the men who gave evidence against him or delivered it dropped off.

O'Rourke died Saturday after spending the last few years of his life confined in a sanitarium. O'Rourke's sister, Mrs. E. M. Dempsey, died yesterday while the body of her brother was being prepared for burial.

GIRL TAKES POISON; ASKS TO BE SENT TO HOSPITAL

Startles Waiter in Chester Restaurant
by Informing Him of Her
Suicidal Attempt

CHESTER, Pa., March 7.—After taking a dose of poison with suicidal intent, Marie Hopkins, twenty-two years old, walked into a market street cafe this morning and seated herself at a table.

When the waiter asked for her order, the young woman startled him and other diners by calmly informing him that she had taken poison. She made a request that she be sent to a hospital. An automobile was pressed into service and the woman was removed to the Crozer Hospital, where her condition is considered serious. She told the police that she was tired of living. The police say that the young woman's deed was prompted by a love affair.

POLICE CHIEF WANTS PASTORS TO TRY HIM

Accused Pittsburgh Official Asks
That Ministers Serve as Jury
in Damage Suit

PITTSBURGH, March 7.—"There are seven preachers on the jury panel, and I have instructed my attorney to ask the Court to have them all sit in the jury that will hear the \$10,000 damage suit against me," said Police Commissioner Peter P. Walsh this afternoon.

"I want these ministers to know for themselves conditions as they are in this city and the difficulties I have to contend with in getting evidence against houses of ill repute and dissolute women."

"The woman who has brought suit against me for damages," said Commissioner Walsh, "was arrested in a recent raid on the North Side. Following her arrest a fine was imposed by the Magistrate, but that was ordered refunded by the county court on the ground that evidence of specific character had not been offered."

"It has been charged before Council by clergymen that I made no effort to suppress disorderly houses on the North Side. I think that after the seven ministers sit on the jury in the damage case against me and learn for themselves how difficult it is for the police to secure evidence that will hold court they will not be so quick to heap censure on me," said Commissioner Walsh.

SUES BROTHER FOR SLANDER

Live Stock Dealer Begins Action for
\$1500 Damages

Bernard Mullan, a dealer in live stock, of 36 North Fifty-sixth street, entered suit by capias against his brother, Patrick H. Mullan, 548 Haverford avenue, in the Municipal Court, accusing him of slander and asking \$1500 damages. Judge Crane granted the plaintiff's application for a capias for the defendant's arrest pending trial of the suit, and fixed bail at \$400.

In his affidavit the plaintiff complains that his brother, in the presence of several persons at the Stock Yard Hotel, Thirtieth and Race streets, uttered alleged slanderous remarks concerning his integrity. The alleged slander took place on February 15 last.

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Quality, service and pride of possession are integral parts of the Locomobile and do not depart with use or change of ownership.

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ASSAULTS "JUNGLE ANTICS" IN MODERN DANCING

J. P. Morgan's Pastor Deplores Exhibitions of "Vestigial Viciousness, Unlovely in Species"

NEW YORK, March 7.—"Jungle antics in modern dancing are assailed by J. Pierpont Morgan's pastor, the Rev. Karl Reiland, of St. George's Episcopal Church, in the weekly bulletin of the church, made public today.

"The shoulder lurches, pain and arm pumping, clutches and holds exhibit a vestigial viciousness unlovely in our species," said Doctor Reiland. "The music accompanying some of the modern dances has a real effect on the moral substance of those habitually swayed by it."

Nay, nay, said Morgan's pastor, this is not the kind of dancing David performed before the Lord.



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There is so much good style to them, so much character and distinction—all the airs and little graces that are associated with higher-priced models:

Suits at \$20.00 An excellent collection, including plain and belted models of poplin, gabardine and chudnah cloth, with broadcloth and silk over-collar, some with smart pockets, silk stitching. In black, navy blue, Belgian blue and green. The Suit sketched is from this collection.

Suits at \$18.75 Plain, belted and semi-belted models of serge, gabardine and poplin with plain coat collar or good full collar with silk over-collar. Black, navy blue and dark brown, \$18.75. Second Floor, Market Street

Dresses at \$16.50 Afternoon Dresses of LaFite, in tunic and pleum effects; with collar of crepe Georgette, in plain colors or Paisley pattern. Black, navy blue, plum color, smoke gray and French blue.

Dresses, \$12.75 to \$18.75 Serge Dresses, in black, navy blue, brown, French blue, plum color, and green. Plaited and long-waisted models, with braided binding, soutache braiding or metal-thread stitching for trimming. Second Floor, Centre

Sale of Women's Sample Coats

Another excellent lot of two hundred and fifty coats, samples from our own wholesale factory, which will now be disposed of in our retail store. In the height of spring styles and tailored in the high-class manner which distinguishes all our coats:

Women's \$15 Sample Spring Coats—\$10.00
\$20.00 Coats—\$15.00 | \$35.00 Coats—\$25.00
\$25.00 Coats—\$20.00 | \$45.00 Coats—\$30.00

The materials are among the most fashionable of the season—cord materials, gabardine, Bolivia cloth and wool velours, in spring colors, also plaid and check effects. All the Coats in sample size 36, but many women usually wearing larger or smaller sizes can be fitted.

Smart Set and Bon Ton Corsets, \$2.00
Original Prices, \$3.50 to \$10.00
An excellent collection of models, which are to be discontinued by the manufacturers; in low- and medium-bust styles, long over the hips; also some Bon Ton Front-Lace Corsets in the lot—\$2.00.
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Third Floor, Market Street, West

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