

AMERICANS HELD IN TURKEY

State Department Expected to Make Peremptory Demand for Their Release

GERMANY'S HAND SEEN Believed Responsible for Detention of U. S. Citizens Who Wish to Come Home

WASHINGTON, March 23.—A peremptory demand that some 7000 American citizens now in serious straits at Beirut and Jerusalem be released may shortly be made by the State Department.

Officials said that an effort is to be made now to find some way of getting out all Americans who want to leave Turkey.

MYSTERY OF MALADY DEFIES SOLUTION

Wilkes-Barre Doctors and State Health Authorities Baffled in Search for Source

WILKESBARRE, Pa., March 23.—State Board of Health doctors and city medical authorities who are co-operating with them have failed so far to ascertain the source of the peculiar fever that has stricken clerks of the Boston Store.

There have been no new cases reported or no more deaths. Fifty of the store clerks are still ill, several of them very seriously.

MEMORIAL FIELD MASS AT LEAGUE ISLAND PARK

Navy Yard, Closed to Visitors on War Work, Not Available

The annual military memorial field mass may be held in League Island Park instead of at the Philadelphia Navy Yard this year owing to the fact that the yard is closed to visitors on account of war preparations.

The letter from Commandant Russell to Colonel Breen follows in part: "I would state that in accordance with instructions from the Navy Department the navy yard at the present time is closed to all but officers, officials, enlisted or civilian personnel of the naval establishment."

HARRIS E. SPROAT DIES; PHILADELPHIA FARMER

Member of Many Patriotic and Historical Societies Victim of Heart Disease

WEST CHESTER, Pa., March 23.—Harris Elric Sproat, sixty-four years old, a wealthy farmer of Tinicum township, born in Philadelphia, died today after a short illness with heart trouble.

He was a member of the Order of the Cincinnati, the Pennsylvania Society of the Order of Founders and Patriots of America and the Society of Sons of the Revolution.

THREE TRAINMEN KILLED IN LEHIGH VALLEY WRECK

Conductor, Flagman and Fireman Victims of Rear-End Collision

GENEVA, N. Y., March 23.—Three men were killed in a rear-end collision on the Lehigh Valley Railroad near Yale station today.

HORSE LOVERS OF COUNTRY HAIL PLANS FOR ANNUAL INDOOR SHOW

R. Penn Smith, Noted in America and Abroad, to Be in Charge of Event April 12-14 at Third Regiment Armory.

Director Tells of Competition in London When King Edward Directed Award of Two "Blues" to U. S. Horses.

Preparations are going forward rapidly for the Indoor Horse Show, which will be held April 12, 13 and 14 at the Third Regiment Armory.

Mr. Smith is greatly impressed with the interest taken by the Philadelphia public in the horse, and compares it with the enthusiasm shown by the English, whose love for horseflesh has made England the real home of the "sport of kings."

There were seventeen entries in this class, representing the flower of horseflesh not only of England, but of many countries. Competition was extremely keen.

The judges, after calling the contestants in, held prolonged discussions in a perfect din of cheers and enthusiasm of the same sort that make the rafters of the Third Regiment Armory vibrate at almost every session of the Philadelphia Indoor Horse Show.

The contestants accordingly appeared in the ring the next day. Mr. Smith, who agrees with Michael Angelo that while details make perfection is no de-



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tail, drove into the ring with appointments perfect, a detail that was overlooked by Mr. Winans, his able opponent.

He directed that Little Toby and My Maryland be given equal honors and a blue ribbon was conferred upon each, but to show his appreciation of the good taste of our own R. Penn Smith, his Majesty sent his Majesty to his personal band of twenty-seven pieces to play "Maryland, My Maryland," as a gallant acknowledgment of the fact that appointments considered, Mr. Smith deserved the greater honor of the two.

MEDICO-CHI STUDENTS FLY NATIONAL BANNER

Doctors and Porto Rican Undergraduate Speak at Bacteriology Classes' Exercises

One hundred and sixty students of the Medico-Chirurgical College expressed their patriotism today by unfurling a "six-by-eight" American flag from the center window of the fourth floor of the college building.

Doctor J. Hamilton Small, associate professor of bacteriology, officiated at the ceremonies, and raised the Stars and Stripes into position. Doctor Earnest La Place, professor of surgery; Doctor George H. Meeker, professor of chemistry, and Doctor Small made short addresses on what the flag stands for.

GERMANY DENIES REVOLT REPORTS

Official Dispatch Declares People and Rulers Are Wholly Satisfied

CHARGES ENTENTE TRICK

BERLIN, March 23.—There is no "revolution" in Germany, London, Holland and New York rumors that trouble has been brewing in Germany are merely the result of the Entente's wish being father to the thought.

Germany is united, confident and with no signs of any "revolution." Officials today were amused at the circulation in Entente channels of such a report. They attributed it first to nervousness felt by Germany's enemies over the Russian revolution.

Not only German officials but the German people are entirely satisfied with the results of the submarine warfare. They are satisfied with the progress of the war. They are satisfied to make sacrifices because they are satisfied of victory.

LENLEN PASTOR URGES WAR AGAINST U-BOATS

This Is No Time to Talk of Peace, Says the Rev. Carl M. Block

When the weak are trodden on by ruthless men and discriminating acts are being committed it is no time to cry for peace is the theory of the Rev. Carl M. Block, who spoke at Old St. Paul's Episcopal Church at noon today.

He said: "It looks as though we are in the war, we who may be classed as an innocent bystander; but if we go into this war we will have had learned many lessons from the countries of Europe. One is that we will have to be more Christianlike, and if we are right Christ will be on our side."

He deplored the way the people of the United States have been content to stand by and coin money from the manufacture of ammunition and then send such small amounts to the suffering peoples of the war-stricken nations.

"It was the double-tongued diplomats of Europe who caused the war," he said. He concluded his sermon by quoting "What doth it profit a man to gain the whole world and lose his own soul?"

MAN NEEDS WILL POWER IN RELIGION, BISHOP SAYS

The Rt. Rev. C. E. Woodcock, Bishop Suffragan of the Episcopal Diocese of Kentucky, today at the Lenten services in the Garrick Theatre said man must have the will to fight.

"Man needs the happiness and comfort of Christ in religion," he said, "and he needs the will to fight and assist himself. He needs the will in war and religion to win. Any man can beat you if you have a soft and flabby will. If you have a soft will you will lose. To win, men must be hard as nails."

His will must be the will to fight even

SEVEN MAIL BAGS RUN OVER BY FREIGHT TRAIN

Letters Torn to Shreds After Packages Are Left on Tracks—Parcel Post Bundle Hit

NORRISTOWN, Pa., March 23.—Seven parcel post bags and one mail bag thrown from a mail train at DeKalb street station, Reading Railway, at midnight last night, were run over by a freight train before they were removed from the rails, and the employees of the Norristown postoffice have been all morning trying to decipher to whom the parcels, about seventy in number, belong.

The parcel post bags were badly cut up by the car wheels and the address on the parcels rendered unrecognizable. The mail bag was cut, too, but none of the letters was destroyed.

Ends Free Service to Railroad Men HAZLETON, Pa., March 23.—What has been known as "railroad service" on the Lehigh Valley system was officially suspended yesterday. Employees have been permitted to ship goods free on trains stopping in their towns. Hereafter they must pay charges. It is said that express companies made complaint.

U. S. Could Take 42 Ships to New York, March 23.—The States should go to war with Germany, Government could commandeer passenger vessels, totaling 42, flying the American flag, in New York alone. Most of these could be auxiliary cruisers. The others are for transports.

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WILLS ADMITTED TO PROBATE

Wills probated today included those of John Graham, 924 North Second street, which in private bequests disposes of property valued at \$16,100; William Ratcliffe, Eighteenth street and City Lane, \$12,000; Mary Berens, 2555 Orthodox street, \$7,500; Katharine F. Brenner, 1919 Mount Vernon street, \$5,700; Antonio Mirra, 1028 Federal street, \$5,000; Sophia Di Scaria, 671 North Thirtieth street, \$3,500; Albert G. Hammer, 3571 Freeland street, \$3,100; and Joseph Lumley, 1312 Erie avenue, \$2,600.

COMING TO THE EDISON SHOP

You can have the pleasure of listening to the reproductions of the work of many of the world's great artists, as well as the following Easter selections by the Calvary Choir—

- 50334—Let the Merry Church Bells Ring
50334—Ye Happy Bells of Easter
50405—Angels Roll the Rock Away
50405—Jesus Lives
80291—He Shall Feed His Flock
80225—Jesus Christ Is Risen Today
80225—Day of Resurrection
82055—The Palms
83041—Hosanna
83041—Agnus Dei
83042—I Know That My Redeemer Liveth
83042—The Trumpet Shall Sound
83065—Crucifix
83065—Gloria

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