Affidavit Involves German Consul General at San Francisco in Bomb Conspiracy

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DEVELOP GUARD FOR OUR DEFENSE SAYS GOVERNOR

Dr. Brumbaugh Declares the People of Pennsylvania Are Against Garrison Plan

FAVORS NATIONAL GUARD

Prefers Encouragement of the Present Organization to "Untried Experiment"

Governor Martin G. Brumbaugh today expressed himself as strongly in favor of the development of the National Guard as a means of defense of the republic as against the proposed continental army, which is advocated by Secretary of War Lindley W. Garrison. The Governor says that the National Guard can be developed as much as anyone wants and could be made as large as desired, but that the continental army is a new and untried experiment.

The Governor gave out the interview, it is understood, as the result of some inquiries which he has been making in the matter for a week or more and he says the statement expresses not only his own views but what he considers are the views of the people of the state.

The Governor's statement follows:

"Pennsylvania is not in sympathy with the proposed continental army as part of the plan of preparedness for national defense.

"To erect such a national agency would place the present National Guard in a most unfortunate position and would be harmful to its interest

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River Closed; Skating at Wildwood; Cold to Continue; Snow Coming

King Winter with his cold and icy blasts, struck Harrisburg full force last night, and this morning the Susquehanna river and Wildwood Lake were covered with a thick coating of ice.

The officials of the City Park Department will fly the red flag to-morrow unless the temperature rises at an alarming rate to-night. The ice on Wildwood is not strong enough to hold big crowds for skating, but should be by to-morrow.

Increasing cloudiness with light snow to-morrow and slightly warmer weather is the forecast given to-day at the local weather bureau. A cold wave coming down over the Central States may swerve eastward and keep the temperature down, however.

The thermometer is expected to drop to 24 degrees to-night and will not go above the freezing point to-morrow. The river and all of its branches will probably remain generally icebound. At this point the surface is rough and uneven, owing to the slush ice which had been floating down the channels during the last few days.

Fox Terrier Indorses Xmas Check With Paw Then Cashes It at Bank

Special to The Telegraph

Mahanoy City, Pa., Dec. 15.—A dog's appearance at a bank paying teller's window, seeking payment of his Christmas savings fund checks, amused Christmas shoppers in this city yesterday. "Kiddo," the prize winning fox terrier of Dr. J. H. Hagenbuch, with check in mouth and indorsed by himself, was the lucky canine.

A year ago Cashier W. H. Kohler, of the Union National Bank, this city, jokingly asked the doctor why he didn't take out a savings account for his dog.

"I will," replied the doctor.

It became due to-day and amounted to $25.50, and the cashier sent out the check to "Kiddo Hagenbuch in care of his 'pa.'"

The fox terrier was soon at the window. The check had been indorsed "Kiddo Hagenbuch in care of his 'pa.'" Opposite the signature appeared a mark of the dog's paw, the cashier having pushed an ink pad against it. The money was promptly paid and the dog pranced away with his envelope carrying the amount in bills.

This is perhaps the only case in history where a canine's name appears in the records of a banking house.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Increasing cloudiness to-night; lowest temperature about 24 degrees; Thursday probably light snow and somewhat warmer.

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Increasing cloudiness to-night; Thursday probably snow and somewhat higher temperature; moderate variable winds.

River

The Susquehanna river and all its branches will remain generally icebound and nearly stationary. A stage of about 3.7 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Thursday morning.

General Conditions

The northeastern storm has passed down the St. Lawrence Valley. The winds have decreased along the Atlantic coast, but were still blowing a moderate gale at Montreal this morning. Light local snows fell over most of the country east of the Lake Region.

It is 2 to 14 degrees colder in the Middle Atlantic States and west of the Rocky Mountains

Temperature: 8 a. m., 22.
Sun: Rises, 7:20 a. m.; sets, 4:40 p. m.
Moon: Full moon, December 21, 7:52 a. m.
River Stage: 3.7 feet above low-water mark.

Yesterday's Weather
Highest temperature, 35.
Lowest temperature, 23.
Mean temperature, 29.
Normal temperature, 33.

FARM CROPS OF COUNTRY WORTH SIX BILLIONS

Department of Agriculture Values Them at Exactly $5,568,773,000

WHEAT LEADS FIELD

Passes Billion Bushel Mark For First Time in History of Country

By Associated Press

Washington, D. C., Dec. 15.—This year's principal farm crops were worth $5,568,773,000 at December 1 farm prices, the Department of Agriculture announced to-day in its final estimate and review of crop production and values. That compared with $4,973,527,000 last year, $4,966,497,000 in 1913 and $4,757,458,000 in 1912.

With the wheat crop passing the billion bushel mark for the first time in the nation's history, corn production reaching a three-billion-bushel total for the second time, and record crops of oats, barley, rye, sweet potatoes, hay and rice, the year has been an extraordinary one for farming. Prices paid farmers for some crops have been higher than in other years because of the European war and as a result the value of some of the crops is the largest ever recorded.

The value this year of each crop, based on its farm price on December

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Captains Boy-Ed and Von Papen Are Granted Safe Conduct by Allies

By Associated Press

Washington, D. C., Dec. 15.—Safe conduct for Captain Boy-Ed and Captain von Papen, recalled German naval and military attaches, will be forthcoming soon from the allies, possibly within the next twenty-four hours, it was learned authoritatively to-day.

It has virtually been decided to grant safe conduct without requiring the recalled emissaries to give assurances that they will not participate in the war upon reaching Germany. Only a few minor details, it is said, remain to be settled before the necessary official papers will be forthcoming from the British and French embassies.

St. Matthew's Men Have Great Time at Banquet

Speechmaking galore featured the banquet held last evening in St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, which is an annual affair given by the Brotherhood of the church. Devotional exercises in the auditorium preceded the banquet, at which President Albert E. Burkholder acted as toastmaster. He introduced the following speakers, who received rousing receptions: The Rev. E. E. Snyder who was presented with a delightful gift in appreciation of his services; Captain Neilson, of the Salvation Army; M. H. Thomas, G. A. Martz, W. H. Fisher and W. M. Jacobs. Mrs. Fisher was chairman of the kitchen committee and, with her assistants, won the hearts of the Brotherhood, of whom about sixty were present, with the results of the cooking

JOE TINKER UNDER KNIFE

By Associated Press

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 15.—Joe Tinker, manager of the Chicago Federal League baseball club, submitted to an operation to-day for stone in the kidney. After the operation he was reported resting well.

GERMAN U-BOAT AND TURK SHIP ALLIES VICTIMS

Submarine Is Sunk in Black Sea; Torpedoboat Sent Down in Sea of Marmora

OTHER VESSELS ESCAPE

Bulgars Stop Pursuit of Fleeing Anglo-French on Greek Border

Sinking of a German submarine off Varna, on the Black Sea coast of Bulgaria, and of a Turkish torpedoboat by the British in the Sea of Marmora is reported by a newspaper correspondent in Athens. It is also declared in the Athens advices that the Turkish cruiser Sultan Selim, formerly the German warship Goeben, was torpedoed in the Black Sea, but not seriously damaged.

German aviators made a successful attack on an English steamship that ran ashore off La Canne on December 13, Berlin claims.

French shells have blown up a German munitions plant in the region of Tracy-le-Val, the Paris war office reports. There have been hand grenade combats and artillery engagements at various points along the front.

Aircraft Brought Down

Several allied aircraft met with disaster during raids behind the German lines south of Arras, in France, in Lorraine and in Baden. The Germans brought down four of the raiding aeroplanes, including one battleplane, according to to-day's official statement from Berlin.

Several hundred additional prisoners have been taken by the Austrians in their continued pursuit of the Serbians and Montenegrins in northern and eastern Montenegro, the Berlin official report states.

The entente allies have discontinued economic coercion upon Greece, ac-

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St. Stephen's Takes Over the Alricks Property

An important Front street real estate transaction was consummated yesterday afternoon when the vestry of the St. Stephen's Episcopal congregation exercised an option of W. M. Donaldson on the Alricks property immediately adjoining the church on the south. The consideration was $25,000 and the residence will be remodeled for use as a rectory. It will be ready for occupancy the first week in January when W. Frank Witman, who has purchased the present rectory adjoining the Executive Mansion will take possession. It is understood that he paid an approximate price for the property which represents about half of the frontage of the Alricks homestead.

The new rectory occupies the corner of Front and Cranberry streets and has a frontage of 52.6 feet and a depth of 210 feet. Through this purchase the congregation of St. Stephen's prevents a shutting in of the church property and also obtains ample room for future enlargement.

RUN-OFF PRIMARY

By Associated Press

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 15.—Tennessee Democrats are holding a run-off primary to-day to choose a nominee for United States senator to succeed Luke Lea, whose term expires March 3, 1917. The candidates in the run-off are Representatives McKellar and ex-Governor M. R. Patterson.

SHERLOCK HOLMES IS ON THE WAY

Man of Mystery Feeling Fine as a Fiddle He Writes Telegraph

Look out!

He's on the way.

The man of mystery is coming to Harrisburg.

Before long, Sherlock Holmes, Jr., will be doing stunts and fun, frolic and amusement will come in bunches good and plenty. To his captor the Telegraph will present $25.

A letter was received from him yesterday and this is what he said:

"Please see that the exact time of my arrival is not announced in print, or anywhere else, for that matter. I'll not let it be known where I am coming from or upon what train I will arrive, but do not forget that my photograph will be placed somewhere (preferably in a bank) and that after I am caught it will be on display in some prominent place for everyone to see. I do this for my own protection, as well as for the protection of the public. By comparison — the photograph and myself—it can be seen that

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NOTE REACHES FRENCH TODAY

Demands Immediate Release of Six Germans Removed From U. S. Ships

By Associated Press

Washington, D. C., Dec. 15.—Ambassador Sharp, at Paris, was expected to deliver to the French foreign office to-day the American note asking for the immediate release of the six Germans and Austrians recently removed by the French cruiser Descartes from the American steamships Carolina, Coamo and San Juan.

Although friendly in tone, the communication is an emphatic protest against the removal of the men, which act, it declared, was in violation of American rights and without legal justification. Precedents are cited in support of the American position.

Refusal of Demand Expected

State Department officials believe the French government may see fit to contest the contentions of the United States and that the men will not be released until further communications have passed between the two governments. This opinion is based upon the

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Tausig Christmas Benefit

If you know of a worthy poor family in Harrisburg whose home is likely to lack Christmas cheer this year, fill out the blank below and forward it to the Telegraph. The firm of Jacob Tausig's Sons, jewelers, 420 Market street, has given the Telegraph $500 with which to purchase Christmas baskets for 200 families. The Associated Charities will investigate the names sent to it and will deliver the baskets the day before Christmas. Fill out below.

Following is the name and address of a worthy poor family I suggest as worthy of a Tausig Christmas basket:

Name.....

Street address.....

Signed.....

NET AROUND GERMAN CONSPIRATORS IS BEING TIGHTENED BY U. S. OFFICIALS

Photograph of Arrested German Made at His Wedding

BARONESS VON BRINCKEN, BARON VON SCHACK AND BARON VON BRINCKEN

This picture of Baron George Wilhelm von Brincken, attache of the German Consul General's office in San Francisco, now under arrest in connection with bomb plots against allied munition ships, was made at his wedding last October. It shows, left to right: Baroness von Brincken, formerly Miss Milo Abercrombie; Baron Eckhardt von Schack, vice-consul at San Francisco, who acted as best man, and Baron von Brincken.

Federal Officers Regard Paper As of Highest Importance in Investigation of Neutrality Violations

PLANNED TO BLOW UP BRIDGE IN CANADA

Statement Says Vice-Consul Planned Outrage; Von Brincken, Crowley and Mrs. Cornell Free on $10,000 Bail

By Associated Press

San Francisco, Dec. 15.—The federal investigation into the alleged German plots involving violation of United States neutrality which already have resulted in the indictment and arrest of Baron George Wilhelm Von Brincken, connected with the German consulate general here; C. C. Crowley, a detective employed by Franz Bopp, German consul general, and Mrs. Margaret Cornell, a secret agent employed by Crowley, received added impetus here to-day fro mthe publication of the affidavit alleged to have been sworn to August 27 by Johannes Henrykus Van Koolbergen, a civil engineer of Mill Valley, Cal. Van Koolbergen charged that he was employed by Consul Bopp and Von Brincken, with the knowledge and assistance of German Vice-Consul Eckhard Von Schack, to dynamite a tunnel or bridge in Canada.

Federal officials here said they regarded Van Koolbergen's affidavit, the text of which was published in Providence, R. I., as the highest importance and expected it to be of great assistance to them in the trial of the persons indicted.

George A. McGowan, attorney for Consul General Franz Bopp and father-in-law of Baron Von Brincken,

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TRAIN STANDS IDLE YEAR

By Associated Press

Paris, Dec. 15. — Discussing the scarcity of freight cars, the Temps asserts the disposition of rolling stock is managed poorly and that cars frequently are lying idle in one part of the country while the most urgent need for them exists in another. One train stood idle a full year.

Affidavit by German Tool Implicates German Consul General Bopp in Sensational Plot Case

ASSERTS HE STUDIED MAIN RAILROAD LINES

Decided Which Tunnels and Bridges Would Most Hinder Transportation of Munitions and Ordered Them Blown Up

By Associated Press

Providence, R. I., Dec. 15.—The Providence Journal prints to-day the text of an affidavit made by Johannes Henrykus Van Koolbergen in San Francisco on August 27 last. This affidavit goes into much circumstantial evidence with regard to an alleged organized German conspiracy on the Pacific coast with the object of blowing up munitions plants, on which indictment have been returned by a federal grand jury in San Francisco against Baron George Wilhelm Von Brincken, C. G. Crowley and Mrs. Margaret Cornell.

The affidavit asserts that Franz Bopp, German consul general at San Francisco personally supervised the activities of Koolbergen and directed the attempt to hire him and blow up tunnels on the Canadian Pacific railroad in May of the present year.

Go Over Maps

The affidavit also declares that Bopp ordered the money for this work, $1,500, to be paid to Koolbergen under the impression that the work had been accomplished when as a matter of fact Bopp was misled by Canadian

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PEACE PARTY HELD UP

By Associated Press

Berne, Switzerland, Dec. 14, via Paris, Dec. 15.—The members of the executive committee of the International Congress to Study the Basis of a Durable Peace are still held up along the German-Swiss frontier and no word has been received here concerning their whereabouts or the prospects of their arrival here.

IGNORANCE PLAYS IMPORTANT PART IN MALNUTRITION

Not Always Lack of Money; Education Needed in the Home

(By ROBERT F. GORMAN.)

It is among the poor of the foreign population of our city that ignorance plays so large a part in the malnutrition of growing children. Ignorance of money values, of food values and of the supreme importance to the developing organism of wholesome and regular food.

An unexpected visitor surprised a family one evening at their regular meal and she was snocked to find that it consisted only of cold cucumbers in oil. The 1 per cent. of nutriment to be found in a cucumber cannot go very far, even when joined to the fat producing oil, toward building firm tissues of childhood. Their knowledge of home remedies is about as inadequate for a visiting nurse told of

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Here's the Sweetest Story of the Marriage Bureau Ever Told

When the pretty girl clerk in the marriage license bureau murmured an ecstatic "Oh, isn't he just the sweetest thing!" after a departing broad-shouldered husband elect this morning fellow-clerks cast pained and exaggerated glances heavenward and asked each other how much longer the boss expected mere man to stand for such soft stuff.

"But you can see for yourselves," defended the clerk. "And what makes it so very much more interesting is that he said he was born on Christmas Day and he may be married this coming Christmas."

And when they had a chance to sneak a look the mere man clerks observed from the license docket that Clara Ethel Elder, a stenographer, of Tyrone, had obtained the necessary papers to wed a young engineer from the same town. But that isn't what made the men clerks gasp. It was the name of the husband elect. It is "R. Christmas Candy!"

Here's What Will Be in Each of Those Baskets!

What's going to be in the Christmas baskets Jacob Tausig's Sons will give to the 250 poor families of the city through the Telegraph and the Associated Aid Societies?

That's what scores of poor, but worthy people have been wondering since the announcement of the generous offer. Well, here's the answer:

One chicken; pan of scrapple; pound of sausage; half peck of potatoes; can of corn; quarter peck of apples; can of peas; can of syrup; pack of corn meal; bag of Christmas candy; two loaves of bread; one sack of flour; one pound of coffee; two pounds of sugar.

Some eats, eh?

ORGANIZATION OF WEST SHORE BODY IS NEAR AT HAND

Camp Hill Committee Will Consider Proposed Organization in a Few Days

By ROBERT F. GORMAN

Members of the borough council of Camp Hill appointed as members of a committee to help along the agitation for a West Shore improvement organization are planning to hold a meeting within the next few days and at that time Chairman Carl K. Deen will likely make an announcement

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Typhoid at White Pine Blamed on Dinner Party

Special to The Telegraph

Waynesboro, Pa., Dec. 15.—A dinner party given at the White Pine Sanatorium at Mont Alto about three weeks ago is said to have produced some unhappy results. Six of the twenty-seven participants are now down with typhoid fever. The dinner was given by the several nurses of the sanatorium to a departing nurse.

WIDOW SIXTY YEARS

Mount Joy, Pa., Dec. 15. — Mrs. Susan Copenheffer, who for sixty years was a widow, died at the home of Mrs. Mary Hoffman, three miles south of Mount Joy, to-day. She was in her eighty-fourth year. Her husband died soon after their marriage, but Mrs. Copenheffer would never marry again.

A Candle in Your Window on Christmas Eve

Help Harrisburg's newest Christmas Eve celebration. Place a candle in every one of your front windows and burn it there.

This custom, centuries old, is more than just a sentiment; it has as well, a religious side. For light symbolizes the King, whose birthday the world will celebrate at Christmas time.

WILLARD-FULTON FIGHT MARCH 4

Chicago, Dec. 15.—Articles of agreement binding Jess Willard, the world's heavyweight pugilist to a match, March 4, at New Orleans, with Fred Fulton, of Rochester, Minn., for the world's championship, were signed here to-day.

THINK THEY HAVE ASSAILANT

Chambersburg, Pa., Dec. 15. — In James Deevers, a vagrant, arrested at Lemoyne last night and brought here to-day, the police believe they have the assailant of six-year-old Ruth Huber, daughter of Major Huber, of the National Guard, who was attacked last Friday. A reward of $500 for conviction was offered.

MORE BONUS SUITS

Harrisburg. — Twelve more suits for bonus claims on work done for the Hershey Chocolate Company were filed late this afternoon for a dozen former employes of the company. The actions were for sums aggregating $1500 and the claims were all based on the decision of Judge McCarrell in the Paul Snyder case. The court sustained Snyder's claim for back bonus.

CURTISS CLOSES $15,000,000 CONTRACT

New York, Dec. 15.—It was said in the financial district to-day that the Curtiss Aeroplane Company has closed a contract with the British government for $15,000,000 worth of aeroplanes. In the fiscal year ended October 31 last, the company produced more than $6,000,000 worth of aeroplanes and motors, most of which went to the British government.

Newark, N. J., Dec. 15.—The Boyden shoe factory here was destroyed by fire to-day with a loss estimated at $200,000.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, to-day told President Wilson that organized labor was ready to give its support to the defense of the nation and should be allowed a voice in making preparations.

BAKER WILL GO TO HIGHEST BIDDER

Chicago, Dec. 15.—Connie Mack, manager of the Philadelphia Athletics, arrived to-day and announced that J. Franklin Baker, third baseman of his team, would be sold to the highest bidder at the American League meeting

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Russel Christmas Candy and Clara Ethel Elder, Tyrone.