



BELIEVED THAT ALL AMERICANS ON TORPEDOED SHIP ESCAPED

Gravity of Diplomatic Situation Between United States and Germany Over Attack on Sussex Increases; May Sever Relations

FOUR OTHER VESSELS ARE SENT TO BOTTOM

Nine Are Supposed to Have Drowned; Eleven Killed When Minneapolis Is Sunk; Injured Yankees Recovering

Washington, March 27.—It was stated authoritatively here today that should it be shown that a German submarine attacked the Sussex Germany would disavow the act, offer reparation, punish the submarine commander and satisfy the United States that the act was in violation of instructions.

Paris, March 27.—Detailed information gathered by the American embassy here indicates that no Americans lost their lives on the Sussex.

All the Americans whose names were on the passenger list have now been accounted for, the embassy states. It is possible, however, that there may have been among the passengers some Americans whose names were not inscribed.

Washington, March 27.—American officials view the submarine situation as taking on aspects of much gravity. The possibility of breaking off diplomatic relations with Germany is again being discussed as one of the eventualities which is expected to follow if it is shown that the Sussex and Englishman were victims of submarines.

State Department officials said they had no information that any other than German submarines were operating in the vicinity in which the Sussex was attacked. All agents in the vicinity were being urged today to gather concrete evidence from all agencies possible.

Officials say they are examining all the facts at hand with open minds, and can come to no conclusion before they have additional information, but there is an undercurrent of uneasiness over the possibility that German submarines have renewed their activities against passenger-carrying ships in violation of the assurances given to the United States.

Administration officials refrained today from making definite statements as to future action or from stating

President's Daughter and Third Grandchild Doing Well

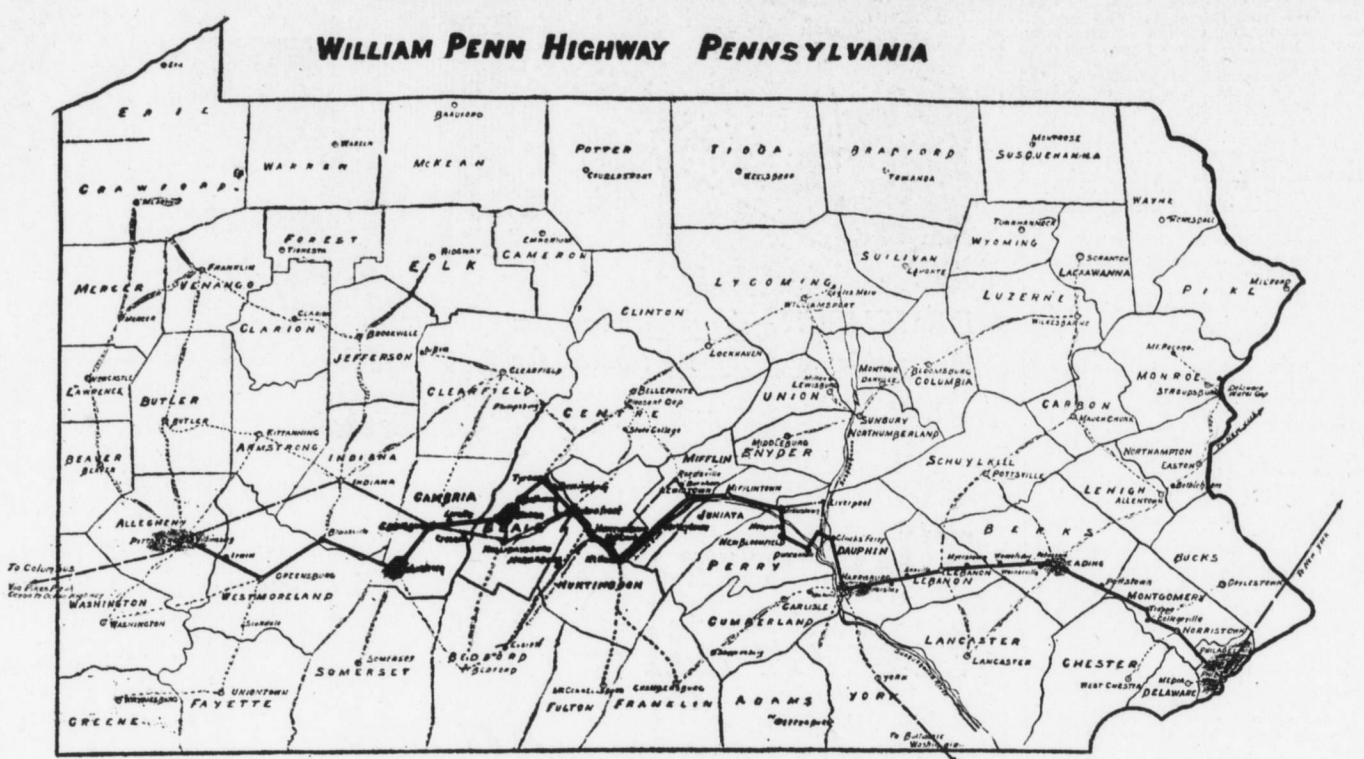
Philadelphia, March 27.—Many congratulatory messages were received today at the Jefferson Hospital where Mrs. Francis B. Sayre and her daughter, born yesterday, were reported to be doing well.

The hospital physicians said they did not know whether President Wilson would visit his daughter and become acquainted with little Eleanor Axson Sayre, his third grandchild.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Rain this afternoon, to-night and probably Tuesday; somewhat colder Tuesday. For Eastern Pennsylvania: Rain tonight and probably Tuesday; somewhat colder Tuesday; moderate northeast to north winds.

WILLIAM PENN HIGHWAY ENTHUSIASTS FROM FOURTEEN COUNTIES ATTENDING CONFERENCE TO FORM ASSOCIATION



The bold black line is that of the main highway as desired by Altoona, Tyrone and Huntingdon; the dot and long dash line is the proposed river route by way of Hollidaysburg, which is shorter by some miles; and the dotted lines indicate tributary roads. The map was prepared by the Huntingdon Chamber of Commerce William Penn Highway committee.

VIOLENT FIRING INDICATES NEW GERMAN ATTACK

Contemplate Advance From North; Entire Allied Line in Balkans Engaged

FOLLOWS SKIRMISHING

Berlin Declares Air Raid on Aviation Base Failure; War Conference On

Continuation of a violent bombardment east of the Meuse river, north of Verdun, indicates the probability that new attacks by the Germans may be expected in that direction. The front between Douaumont and Vaux is bearing the brunt of the attack. The infantry has not been employed in this region nor elsewhere along the Franco-Belgian front, so far as the official reports show.

Bridegroom Finds Pulse Gone When He Tries to Pay For Marriage License

Hagerstown, Md., March 27.—When Benjamin F. Harman, of Harrisburg, came here on Saturday and was about to pay Clerk Edward Oswald for the marriage license to wed Miss Annie M. Shaffer, of Shiremansstown, he found that he had lost his pocketbook on the train. Rushing from the courthouse after telling the clerk he would return later, Mr. Harman telegraphed the train crew of his loss. The pocketbook was found on the train and left with the Cumberland Valley Railroad agent at the Williamsport, Md., station. Mr. Harman, with his bride-to-be, drove to Williamsport in a taxicab, returned and paid for the license. Miss Shaffer and Mr. Harman were married at the parsonage of the First Baptist Church by the Rev. E. K. Thomas.

Loses Own Life, but Drags Companion From Gas Tank

Pittsburgh, Pa., March 27.—Edward Davis, a workman at the plant of the Aetna Chemical Company, today saw his friend James Dougherty, another workman, overcome by gas as he entered an empty tank. Davis ran to his assistance, and had just carried him to safety when he fell over dead from the fumes he had inhaled. Dougherty, physicians said, will recover.

PASTOR IS EXONERATED

Investigation Gives Clue to Author of "Poison Pen" Letters. Allentown, Pa., March 27.—At the close of services last night the consistency of St. Andrew's Reformed Church issued a statement completely exonerating the pastor, the Rev. Robert M. Kern, from any connection whatever with an alleged scandal which originated through "poison pen" letters to various persons at the plant of the Aetna Chemical Company.

TRIES SUICIDE FOURTH TIME

York, Pa., March 27.—For the fourth time within the last year Elmer Baublitz, a young mechanic of this city, last night attempted suicide. He slashed both his wrists with a knife, but was discovered before he lost much blood. His wounds were dressed and he was committed to jail.

Board of Governors Named Representing Each County Sending Delegates; State Highway Commissioner Assures Body His Department's Support; Resolutions Accepting Offer of Pike's Peak Highway Association Passed

JENNINGS PRESIDENT. At the opening of the William Penn Highway meeting, this afternoon, announcement was made of the election of officers. A permanent board of governors, a permanent secretary will be elected at a later meeting.

More than 650 William Penn Highway boosters from the fourteen counties through which the proposed boulevard will pass and representatives from counties which would be "feeders" to the highway crowded Farnestock Hall to the doors this morning and for a time it appeared as though larger quarters would have to be secured for the afternoon session.

CLEWS IMPLICATE OTHERS IN POISON PLOT WITH WAITE

Finding of New Evidence Delays Indictment For Murder in First Degree. New York, March 27.—The finding of new clues which may lead to the discovery of accomplices of Dr. Arthur Warren Waite, accused of the murder of his father-in-law, John E. Peck, Grand Rapids millionaire, caused District Attorney Swann today to delay asking for an indictment before the grand jury until tomorrow.

WILLARD IN HARRISBURG

Champion Jess Willard passed through Harrisburg last night on the Chicago Limited. He occupied a stateroom with his manager and members of his training party. The big fellow was at dinner when the train reached this city. Outside of his broken knuckle, Willard showed no ill effects of his battle with Moran.

GOVERNOR BRUMBAUGH IN PROCLAMATION SETS APRIL ARBOR DATES

Governor Brumbaugh this afternoon issued a proclamation fixing Friday, April 14, and Friday, April 23, as Spring arbor days to be observed in Pennsylvania. He draws attention to the conservation measures enacted by the Legislature and the work being done by the State to reforest the lands it has purchased and he urges on schools and the public in general to plant trees on one or the other of the two days named.

NEW HIGH SCHOOL COMMITTEE NAMED TODAY BY STAMM

Directors Yates, Keene, Boyer Bretz and Enders Comprise Personnel

ORGANIZE ON THURSDAY

Plan to Submit Question of Loan to People at November Election

Appointment of Harrisburg's new high school committee—the committee of school directors who will settle the momentous problem of when, where and how the city shall provide better and larger facilities for high school instruction for its young folks—was announced today.

LABOR LEADERS SAID TO FAVOR BRUMBAUGH; QUINN PAYS VISIT

Following a visit of Charles Quinn, secretary of the State Federation of Labor, the Brumbaugh headquarters in this city gave out a statement today claiming that many labor leaders and organizations are expressing themselves in favor of the Governor's candidacy for the Republican presidential nomination. Mr. Quinn is quoted as saying that a majority of the delegates who were present at last week's labor conference here spoke informally in favor of the Governor and it was also said that a delegation of railroad brotherhood men had called on Attorney General Brown to pledge support.

LITERACY TEST IS KEPT IN IMMIGRATION BILL

Washington, March 27.—The literacy test was kept in the immigration bill by the House working in committee of the whole by a vote of 225 to 122, which defeated a motion by Representative Slatkoff of Illinois to strike it out. The question comes up again when the House votes on the bill as a whole.

PROPOSES EXTENSION OF SUGAR TAX TO 1920

Washington, March 27.—Extension of the existing duty of one cent a pound on sugar until 1920, as a substitute for the House free sugar repeal bill which would extend it indefinitely was recommended to the Democrats of the Senate in caucus today by Chairman Simmons of the finance committee. The caucus took no action and will consider the proposal further to-night.

NO GREAT FLOOD DANGER

The State Water Supply Commission states that flood stages in the Susquehanna Basin are not expected to be exceeded and damage is not likely to occur unless ice gorges are formed and backwater caused at localities subject to such inundations.

FLYING COLUMNS SEEK TO TRAP VILLA BY SEALING TRAILS TO HILL DISTRICT

With Passes Guarded, U. S. Soldiers Will Scour Country in Effort to Get Outlaw "Dead or Alive"; Is Making Tracks For Mountain Wastes in His Ancient Haunts of Guerrero

BANDIT KNOWN TO BE ALMOST DESTITUTE OF BOTH SUPPLIES AND AMMUNITION; DEAD AND DYING HORSES GIVE EVIDENCE OF DESPERATE HASTE; ONE HOPE OF SPEEDY TERMINATION

El Paso, Tex., March 27.—Flying columns of American cavalry today are seeking to entrap Francisco Villa and his band by sealing up all the trails and passes in the mountainous district south of El Valle.

With the outlets barred, squadrons of cavalry and detachments of infantry operating from the base near Casas Grandes, will comb the country to drive the bandit in the open.

According to a dispatch from the front, Villa has broken through the Carranza line and is fleeing southward with the American troopers straining every nerve to catch up with him before he reaches the forbidding mountain wastes in his ancient haunts in the Guerrero district.

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BANDIT PREPARING TO RESIST

Field Headquarters, American Expeditionary Force, Colonia Dublan, Chihuahua, Mex., arch 26.—By Aeroplane to Columbus, N. M., March 27.—Evidence that Pancho Villa is preparing to resist the American pursuing columns and that the Mexican people are not as yet rallying to him, has been collected by the officers and the scouts of the American troops.

Dallas, Tex., March 27.—The body of Miss Z. M. Cramer, a nurse, was found today on the high school campus at Oakcliff, a suburb. She had been strangled to death. Disarranged clothing indicated she had made a desperate struggle for her life.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Howard Aaron Buffington and Mary E. Spacht, Elizabethville, D. S. Espenshade, Londonderry, and Bertha Lemastrina Eshelman, Swatara. Ralph Furman Hess and Grace M. Straw, Clearfield.