

U. S. MAY USE DUTCH SHIPS IN WAR ZONE

Internment Possible if the Vessels Enter Ports of South America

By Associated Press LONDON, MARCH 25.—The Dutch cabinet is said to have decided Sunday to send the allied powers a formal refusal of their offer of grain in return for Dutch ships, a dispatch from The Hague to the Daily Mail says.

Washington, March 25.—A new and somewhat disturbing element has entered into the use by the United States of the Dutch ships seized last Wednesday. While, of course, there was no agreement to that effect, it was intended that as many of the vessels as possible should be employed in the South American trade and thus be kept clear of the dangers of the war zone.

There now has developed the fear that if the ships are sent to Argentine and Chilean ports an attempt might be made to intern them and bring on more international complications. Negotiations are in progress covering this phase of the situation, and unless a satisfactory solution is arranged, the United States may be compelled to use the Dutch tonnage almost exclusively in belligerent waters. The vessels could sail in and out of Brazilian ports without danger of molestation, but they are not needed for coffee.

The real need is for wheat and meat from the Argentine and for nitrates from Chile. Already the normal supply of nitrates in this country is some 250,000 tons short, it is said, and the consumption is increasing daily. Nitrates are needed both for manufacture of explosives and for fertilizing compounds.

Brazil is in with the Allies, but the Argentine and Chile remain neutral, with strong German influences at work in each country. It is not expected here that either the Argentine or Chilean government would act on its own initiative. The danger would come through German

PALM SUNDAY IS OBSERVED

Churches Have Special Programs Week Before Easter

Palm Sunday was fittingly observed in virtually all churches of the city yesterday. Sermons and ceremonies marked the celebration of the holy day. In various churches Pastoral Week services were opened, these to continue throughout this week. Among the churches to hold special services this week are: St. Paul's Episcopal, Messiah Lutheran, Bethlehem Lutheran, Zion Lutheran and the First United Brethren Church.

In Catholic and Episcopal churches palms were blessed and distributed to the congregations at the morning services. The new St. Lawrence Catholic Church was opened yesterday with appropriate ceremonies by the Rt. Rev. Philip R. McDevitt, Bishop of the Harrisburg diocese. Following dedicatory services, the Rev. Father P. S. Huegel blessed the palms and distributed them among the congregation.

In St. Patrick's Cathedral, at the 13th mass, the Bishop blessed the palms and conducted high mass. Members of the congregation then turned a procession, marching through the cathedral, singing hymns.

At the Central Y. M. C. A., Palm Sunday was appropriately celebrated with a men's mass meeting held in Fahnstock Hall. Prof. Leon C. Prince, professor of history and international law at Dickinson College, delivered an inspiring address on the subject, "The Great Choice." In his address he urged higher aims and more ambition, declaring that most people do not aim high enough. A large number of men attended the meeting. The Pennsylvania Glee Club sang several selections. Arthur D. Bacon, president of the Central Y. M. C. A., presided and the Rev. Dr. George Preston Mains read the Scripture lesson.

ANNOUNCE BIRTH Shippensburg, Pa., March 25.—Mr. and Mrs. Paul Nofskier announce the birth of a daughter, Caroline Black Nofskier.

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INQUIRER SAYS IT'S BEIDLEMAN

Philadelphia Paper Declares Dauphin Man Will Oppose the Vare Choice

The Philadelphia Inquirer to-day predicts that Senator Edward E. Beidleman, of Harrisburg, President Pro Tem of the last State Senate, will be a candidate against Congressman John A. Sprout, announced else for the Republican nomination for Lieutenant-Governor. The Philadelphia North American to-day says that the Inquirer's prediction of Scranton, is being much mentioned.

The North American says that if Mr. Dimmick is not a candidate, then Senator Edward E. Beidleman is all sided the second choice. Labor interests are said to be for him to run on account of his activity in the State Legislature in behalf of the workmen's interests. With State Senator Sprout, candidate for Governor, coming from the east and James E. Woodward, candidate for the Republican nomination for Secretary of Internal Affairs, coming from the west, Beidleman's friends say that the Harrisburg man for Lieutenant-Governor will fill out a well-balanced ticket. The attack by the Scott by Senator Penrose, Saturday, and Senator Vare's reply, which was the signal for an out-and-out fight all along the line, brought to Philadelphia yesterday many upstate county leaders. Senator Penrose conferred with them and with local independents. While no statement was given out, it became known that within a day or two a candidate with the endorsement of county leaders from all parts of the state will come out against Scott.

That there will be a determined and thoroughly-organized campaign to prevent the nomination of Scott is certain, says the Inquirer. "Senator Penrose has been urged to lead the fight against the Scott candidacy not only by the stalwarts who recognize his leadership in the party organization, but by independents who favor Sprout for Governor, but who are aligned against a continuance of Vare domination of the local Republican organization. Former Lieutenant-Governor John A. Sprout, Mayor J. Benjamin Dimmick, of Scranton; former Auditor General E. A. Sisson, of Erie, and Congressman-at-Large Thomas S. Crego, of Greene, are among the others mentioned for the Republican nomination for Lieutenant-Governor by those opposed to Scott."

Bringing the boys home from France to a dry Pennsylvania was the slogan iterated by Mr. O'Neil in his speeches. His subject was announced as "Pennsylvania's Part in the War," but O'Neil confined his comments almost exclusively to a flat-footed declaration favoring national prohibition and statistics covering the results of the traffic in liquor.

The Philadelphia Press prints this account of the row referred to: "When J. Denny O'Neil, State Highway Commissioner and candidate for the nomination for governor, was in the Columbia Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church, Twenty-fifth street and Columbia avenue, yesterday afternoon to deliver an address on prohibition, he found that his presence had precipitated a disagreement between the pastor, the Rev. Dr. E. W. Hart, and a member of the congregation. Before Mr. O'Neil arrived at the church Dr. Hart read an anonymous communication from a member of the church for thirty years, in which the church was criticized for allowing "politicians and ballot-box stuffers" to speak in the sanctuary. In the letter the writer asserted that Governor Brumbaugh is a crook. "I don't give a snap of my finger what Betty says," said Dr. Hart, "but I think of me as this church," said Dr. Hart to the congregation. "I am trying to serve God. When Governor Brumbaugh was candidate for the Governorship he spoke in this church."

Harry E. Fisher Wins Place in West Point War School The friends of Harry Earl Fisher, son of G. E. Fisher, a retired farmer at Rutherford, were not surprised to hear that he had passed examinations for admission to West Point, and that his ambition is to be a flyer for Uncle Sam. He will enter West Point on June 9.

Young Fisher was first prominent in the newspapers when he constructed a homemade airplane near his home and tried to fly with it. He managed to rise in the air but came down more speedily and barely escaped death. He concentrated on study after that, took four years at the Steeple High in three years. His next triumph was at State College where he took the McAllister scholarship and finished first in his section of architectural engineering.

Recently he has been senior inspector of airplane engines at Dayton, Ohio, although he is just turned 21 years of age. He was promoted three times at this job and means while successfully went through examinations for West Point.

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Cairo Warned That Air Raids May Take Place; Hostile Airship Observed

London, March 25.—The inhabitants of Cairo, Egypt, were informed officially last Thursday, according to a Reuter dispatch, that a hostile airship had been observed over the coast. The public was warned of the possibility of air raids and ordered to observe the necessary lighting regulations.

Cairo, the capital and most populous city of Egypt, has been in no danger from air raids since the Turks were driven back from the Suez canal. The Turkish lines in Palestine are the nearest enemy points to Cairo and they are 320 miles northeast. An enemy airship might also come across the Mediterranean sea from the southern coast of Asia Minor. The distance by that route would be 460 miles one way.

German Submarine Seeks Haven in Spain

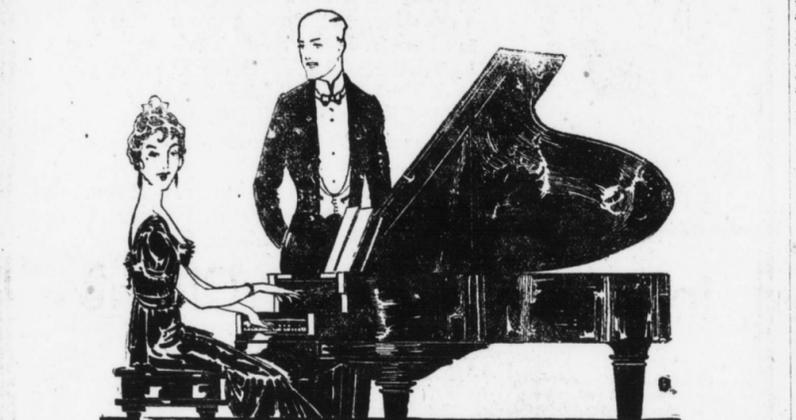
D. M. Bell Is Made Chief of U. S. Depot Police

Announcement was made to-day that D. M. Bell, of Duncannon, had been made Chief of Police for the United States Government at Middletown. He will enter upon his duties at once.

Chief Bell is well known to Harrisburgers, being a brother of Stehman Bell, a well-known Pennsylvania railroad conductor. He was formerly a resident of Columbia, and served three years in the United States Army. Later he was a member of the State Police Force, and has also been connected with leading steel companies in and about Pittsburgh.

SIX DAYS FOR RETURNS Only six more days remain for the filing of income tax returns, the limit being April 1. To-day registered a shift in the offices used by Deputy Collector Vollmer, who moved from the Spooner Building to the second floor of the postoffice. Use McNeil's Pain Exterminator—Ad

KAUFMAN'S MARKET SQUARE UNDERSELLING STORE We Are Prepared to Serve Late Easter Shoppers Easter finds this store ready with tremendous Spring stocks—splendidly supplied with all that is new, fashionable and wanted. Preparations for this Spring season were under way for months previous and in view of present trade conditions our foresighted methods secured us immense quantities of new and seasonal goods that would have been impossible otherwise, and we want our patrons to know that we intend making this week's business notable for the excellence of the merchandise offered and the lowness of the prices which will prevail. All reserve Spring stocks will be moved forward and delayed shipments unpacked in time for late Easter shoppers who may come here prepared to find abundant stocks to choose from. Don't neglect this wonderful Underselling Event when everything is going up in price, but come early for your share of the grand offerings. Received Just in Time--New Shipments of Women's and Misses' Easter Suits Daily arrivals are making our Women's Suit Department more and more attractive. You will find here an impressive array of suits for those women who follow the dictates of fashion. We are showing the latest styles in Spring suits, being the smartest productions of New York's best makers. The styles are so varied and there are so many new materials and effects that to please each individual taste is surprisingly simple. Charming, striking, stunning! Call them what you will, we cannot begin to describe the smartness and beauty of our new Spring suits, but you must see for yourself to appreciate their wonderful variety. They are priced at \$15.00, \$18.75, \$24.75, \$29.50 and \$35.00 Hundreds of New Easter Coats Are Here For Women and Misses The best makers of women's apparel have contributed to our magnificent assemblage of high grade coats. Carefully dressed women will appreciate this comprehensive collection of charming and exclusive models. Every desirable material, every stylish effect, every new Spring shade, all are represented in this unequalled collection of Spring Coats. And please remember that every coat is NEW and strictly seasonal. Moderately priced at \$10, \$12.90, \$15, \$20, \$25, \$29.50 to \$39.50 A Magnificent Assemblage of New Easter Millinery Hats that have an air of charm and style—just the sort of hats you want. The assortment includes a large variety of the newest shapes and shades fashioned into many beautiful styles and trimmed in various ways. Every hat is finely made and sparkles with originality and artistic beauty. They are shown here in abundance and your taste can easily be satisfied as to style and price from our generous assortment. We are sure you'll enjoy viewing them. Prices Range, \$2.90 to \$15.90 Youthful Modes of Grace and Beauty in Girls' New Easter Coats The daintiest, prettiest, most charming coats of the new season are here ready for your selection. They are stylish and prettily becoming to youthful lines. Every coat is finely made and you are assured of a broad choice. It is especially worth while noting that materials and colors have not been chosen for style alone, but for service as well. Bring your girl in and feel confident of getting the best value in a coat possible for the price. Sizes 2 to 16 Years---\$2.95 to \$12.95 Don't Forget the Boys For Easter--- The youngsters like to "dress up" too, and they usually are in need of Spring clothing about this time, so why not bring them in here and outfit them economically in time for Easter wear. By taking advantage of market conditions in ample time, our prices are actually from 15 to 25 per cent. less than the market value of the clothing today. We urge you to come here and share in these savings.



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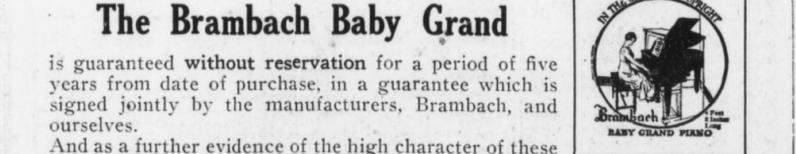
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Letter List

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