

DOCUMENTS SHOW U. S. IGNORANT OF DANGER IN 1914

PROPOSALS TO STEM CONFLICT OFFERED LATE

First Volume of Official War Correspondence Is Published.

NATION HOPED TO LAST

Moves to Mediate Made Only After Europe Had Mobilized.

BY MAURITZ A. HALLGREN, United Press Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON, March 21.—The first volume of official American war correspondence, published to day, lifted the curtain on the tragic days preceding the war's outbreak in 1914.

The document revealed the United States hopeful to the last that the world catastrophe would not come. It pictured this nation as making no attempt to stem the war flood until most of the powers had actually mobilized, and then not until Ambassador Herrick at Paris cabled President Wilson the startling warning that the situation "is regarded here as the gravest in history."

The correspondence, being published in six volumes covering the years 1914 to 1919, contains all important communications between the State department and diplomatic representatives here and abroad.

Ignorant of Situation

In the summer of 1914 American diplomats in Europe were apparently without authentic information as to the true situation. Even a month after the Sarajevo assassination on June 28 had kindled the fire which was to envelop the world, they believed a general war was not at sight, the document shows. As late as July 27 Ambassador Gerard cabled from Berlin, "I have reason to believe matters will be arranged without a general European war."

F. E. Mallett, vice consul general at Budapest, knew of the mobilization of Austrian troops along the Serbian border, a movement which plunged all Europe into conflict, but instead of cabling this vital news home, he sent it by mail, his letter reaching Washington July 27.

The following day came Herrick's warning that "civilization is threatened" and urging President Wilson to "make a strong plea for delay and moderation." Secretary of State Bryan immediately messaged Ambassador Page in London asking if an offer to mediate would "be acceptable or serve any high purpose in the present crisis." Page replied July 31 that Sir Edward Grey, British foreign minister, was unresponsive.

Mediation Attempts Fail

Bryan again cabled Page, explaining that the President was "anxious to do everything in his power to avert war." To this the ambassador answered Aug. 3, "There is not the slightest chance of any result if our good offices be offered at any continental capital. This is confirmed by the judgment of the British foreign office."

On Aug. 4, with Russia, Germany, Austria-Hungary, Serbia and Belgium already in the war, and with England about to join, Bryan transmitted to Russia, Bryan and Austria, Wilson's offer to mediate. Aug. 5 the proposal was also sent Great Britain and France.

These governments all rejected the offer.

BOOST MILITARY CAMP

Series of Talks Planned in Schools and Before Clubs.

Col. A. J. Daugherty will talk on the citizens' military training camp at the Advertising Club luncheon Thursday noon; the Spink-Arms; the Exchange Club at the Lincoln Friday noon and the Purchasing Agents at the Severson Tuesday noon. West Newton High School will be addressed by Dr. J. Albert Bristow on Friday, in an effort to interest students in attending.

V. M. Armstrong is county representative of the movement.

CHICKEN SALE LIMITED

Ban Selling Dressed Poultry on Sidewalks Near Market.

Sale of dressed chickens on the sidewalk near city market was banned during summer months to day by the board of safety.

Chickens with the feathers on may be sold at the outside stands all the year. The board issued the order Tuesday following investigation of a complaint of a standholder.

The order is expected to improve the sanitary conditions of the market district, according to Dr. Herman G. Morgan, health secretary.

Seeks \$10,000 for Suit

By Times Special

DECATUR, Ind., March 21.—Damages of \$10,000 is asked of the Chicago & Erie Railroad in a suit filed here by Elmer Tricker as the result of the death of his daughter, Maxine, 8, last Aug. 5. A push pole suspended on two posts fell on the child as she swung on it. The pole was not properly secured, the father alleges.

Indiana Bakers Elect

By United Press

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Radio Men Hear Own Cage Meet Story



Left to right, Fred W. Torrence, Thomas A. Hendricks, Blythe Q. Hendricks and Sam Walters.

STUDY DRY QUERIES

Anti-Saloon League Sends Candidates Questions.

Candidates for nominations for Governor, Congressmen, United States Senator and the Legislature were pondering their replies today to the "wet or dry?" questionnaire sent them by the Indiana Anti-Saloon League.

Four questions were leveled at the candidates in the letter dispatched by Anti-Saloon League Superintendent E. S. Shumaker.

Two candidates, Arthur L. Gilliom, attorney general, seeking the Republican nomination for United States Senator, and Samuel B. Wells of Scottsburg, candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor, did not receive the questionnaire. Shumaker explained they were passed up because both have declared for the legalization of whisky for medicinal purposes to make the Indiana dry law conform to the Volstead act.

CAPTURE YOUNG COUPLE IN RUNNING GUN FIGHT

Police Arrest John Carrigan and Wife for Chicken Stealing.

John Carrigan, 24, of 560 N. Bell St., and his wife, Minnie, 16, alleged wholesale chicken thieves, are in city prison today after being captured by deputy sheriffs following a gun battle Tuesday night.

They confessed to chicken stealing and the theft of two automobiles, according to Sheriff Ormer Hawkins.

Five deputy sheriffs and a posse of farmers surrounded the home of Ed Cloud, near Clermont Tuesday night when Carrigan and his wife were known to have fled there. They ran from the side door of the dwelling, Carrigan shooting and his wife armed. The deputies returned the fire and the pair surrendered.

It is estimated that they stole 1,500 chickens during the last six months from Hendricks County farmers, according to the deputies. They were driving an automobile belonging to John Hession, of Brownsburg, bearing license plates from another machine they had stolen from a man in Terre Haute, the officers declare.

MISS BASS AIDS WATSON

Pioneer Nurse Had Spent Most of Life Here; Native Hoosier.

Burial services for Miss Viola Green, 56, of 1504 N. Pennsylvania St., who died Tuesday night at Methodist Hospital will be held Friday afternoon at Martinsville.

Short funeral services will be held at Flanner & Buchanan chapel, 25 W. Fall Creek Blvd., at 11:30 a.m. Friday.

Miss Green, who was born in Johnson County, was a pioneer private nurse. She graduated from the Joseph Eastman hospital in 1905. Most of her life was spent in Indianapolis hospitals and surrounding homes.

She serves as chairman of Nurses Central Directory for several years. She was a member of the Christian Church and Indiana State Nurses Association. Three brothers and a sister survive.

SEE DEMOCRAT VICTORY

Northern Indiana Counties Hold Organization Meeting.

LA PORTE, Ind., March 21.—Predictions of a Democratic victory at the polls in November and pleas for careful organization throughout the State were made at the organization meeting of Northern Indiana counties here Tuesday.

The next rally of the northern Indiana Democrats will be held probably April 3, when Senator James A. Reed is to make an address.

ASK RIVER CLEANED

Municipal Garden's Women's Club Petition Mayor.

Purification of White River so the stream may be used by bathers along municipal garden, was asked today by a delegation of twenty women representing the Municipal Gardens Women's Club. Mayor L. E. Slack promised the women he would do all he could to remedy the situation. City officials are working on a plan to purify the sewage which overflows into the river.

Father, Daughters Die in Crash

By United Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio, March 21.—A father and his two small daughters were killed today when their automobile was struck by a train at a grade crossing near Worthington.

Papers in the man's pockets identified him as W. W. Colmery, Columbus.

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