

## SAYS GERMANY CONVICTS SELF BY OWN WORDS

Sir Robert Cecil Asserts Case Against Enemy Has Been Proved.

LONDON, March 30.—Lord Robert Cecil, the British blockade minister, today made reply to the latest utterances of Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, the German imperial chancellor.

The German chancellor claims that Germany in the past renounced the unrestricted use of the submarine weapon in the expectation that Great Britain could be made to observe in her blockade policy the laws of humanity and international agreements.

"It would hardly seem that Germany is in a position to speak of humanity or international agreements, since she began this war by deliberately violating the international agreement guaranteeing the neutrality of Belgium and has continued it by violating all the dictates of humanity."

Refers to Belgians' Fate. "Has the chancellor forgotten that the German forces have been guilty of excesses in Belgium, unparalleled in history, culminating in the attempted enslavement of a dauntless people; of poisoning wells, of bombarding open towns, torpedoing hospital ships, and sinking other vessels with total disregard for the safety of noncombatants on board, with the result that many hundreds of innocent victims, including women and children, have lost their lives?"

"The latest manifestation of this policy is to be seen in the devastation and deportations carried out by the Germans in their forced retreat on the western front. The chancellor states that it is because the allies have not abandoned their blockade and have refused the so-called peace offer of Germany, that unrestricted submarine warfare was decided on. As to this I will do no more than quote what the chancellor himself said in the rejoinder when announcing the adoption of unrestricted submarine war."

Quotes Chancellor's Speech. "He said that as soon as he himself, in agreement with the supreme command, reached the conviction that ruthless U-boat warfare would bring Germany nearer to a victorious peace, then the U-boat warfare would be started. He continued: "This morning has arrived. Last autumn the time was not ripe, but today the moment has come when, with the greatest prospect of success, we can undertake this enterprise. We must not wait any longer. The number of our submarines has been considerably increased as compared with last spring and thereby a firm basis has been created for success."

## ADmits BRITISH IN DEADLY PERIL

LONDON, March 30.—William Hayes Fisher, parliamentary secretary to the local government board, at Hull tonight said it was not an exaggeration to say that the country was in deadly peril at the present moment.

"What we want is to knock out the enemy this year, and we are beginning to do it," he said.

## Women Property Holders in Vermont Given Vote

Montpelier, Vt., March 30.—Gov. Graham today signed a bill which permits property holding women to vote at town meetings.

Reims Hit by 401 Shells. PARIS, March 30.—The city of Reims in the last few days has been the object of special attacks on the part of German artillery. On Wednesday 401 shells were thrown into the city.

## BACK FROM ARCADY

McCutcheon and Bride Return After Unique Honeymoon on Treasure Island in the Bahamas.



1—THE PALACE ON TREASURE ISLAND.  
2—KING JOHN T. AT HOME.  
3—THE ISLAND QUEEN—MRS. McCUTCHEON.

## McUTCHEONS IN CITY HOME FROM ISLE O' DREAMS

Cartoonist and Bride Leave Pirate Spot After Honeymoon.

King John T. McCutcheon of the real Treasure Island, in the romantic Bahamas, is back in Chicago. And with him came his good Queen Evelyn. It was one of the world's most marvelous honeymoons, both say.

Also, with the royal pair came a great box filled with "young drinking coconuts" and the ripest and best of John's early spring crop. He left behind, on his breeze-kissed isle, his population of seven loyal subjects and his navy of three men in a boat.

Anemones and Banana Birds. "It's a grand life," said King John. "We've everything for the table; we're mutton-fish, and banana birds, and bread fruit trees, and in deep sea gardens we can gather our sea anemones. While we dine the parakeets come and sit and visit with us. I've planted a field of coral in the lagoon, back of the palace, an inland lake a third of a mile long."

"And some day, if the cartoons don't go any more, I'll go with a smile to my tropical isle and I'll peddle my coconuts. I've 7,000 trees down there, and they grow as many as forty to a tree, and they sell for \$30 a thousand at the grove."

"It was around there that Sir Henry Morgan chased the Spaniards and got chased in turn, and where Roo, the Brazilian, made women and men walk the plank, and where Steve Bonnet mercilessly cut throats. Columbus touched his foot there on his first voyage, if the records are correct."

"The Annette Kellermann pictures and the Williamson deep sea pictures were taken, partly, not more than a mile and a half from my front door." Sir William Allard, governor of the Bahamas under British rule, came to pay homage to King John and Queen Evelyn while they were there and brought his two fair daughters, who were born in the Fil Islands during Sir William's twenty-six year rule over the South Sea savages. Sir William was governor of the Falklands at the time of the wrecking of the German fleet and for his good work there he was knighted.

## 500 REBELS IN CUBA SURRENDER

HAVANA, March 30.—Virtually all the soldiers and civilians comprising the rebel forces of Rigoberto Fernandez in Oriente province, between 500 and 600 in number, surrendered to Col. Varona at Guantanamo early today.

In surrendering the rebels gave up 30,000 rounds of rifle ammunition and 20,000 rounds of machine gun ammunition, together with sixteen dynamite bombs.

Fernandez himself is still at large.

German raiders, for Nassau is British. "The only peaceful spot I found was amid my own palm groves. I had no revolt, for in my own hip pocket was the only coin within leagues around. Gold? The sand is full of it, if you hear the natives talk. Yes, we searched in the moonlight for pirate gold, but thick as it must be, we didn't find any. So careless of those pirates to bury their hoards so well."

Into Summer Castle. Mrs. Howard Van Doren Shaw, mother of Mrs. McCutcheon, met them at the train. She seemed delighted that they had safely run the gauntlet of the Jolly Roger and glad that King John had laid aside his cutlass and belaying pin. Right gaily the honeymooners jumped into the Shaw automobile and were driven to 99 East Schiller street, their northland summer castle.

"My cartoon will be back in THE TRIBUNE on Monday," said King John.

## THE SAINT DUNSTON

T. DUNSTAN, a monk, who eventually became Archbishop of Canterbury, was a successful worker in the precious metals and was made the patron saint of English silversmiths.

A new pattern of Spoons, Forks, etc. has been named after this famous ecclesiastic.

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## FIGHT FOR HELP OF INDEPENDENTS FOR HOUSE RULE

Clark Likely to Be Elected, but Rest of Slate Is Doubtful.

(BY A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.) Washington, D. C., March 30.—[Special.]—The control of the house of representatives, with the convening of congress less than three days off, tonight was more in doubt than ever.

While the reelection of Speaker Clark is almost a foregone conclusion, it is unlikely that a combination of Republicans, independents, and insurgent Democrats will smash the Democratic slate for minor offices and committee places, and either force a Republican or a nonpartisan organization.

The Democratic caucus on organization was held this afternoon with thirty-two Democratic congressmen absent.

Gallivan Is a Holdout. Among the thirty-two Democrats who remained away was Representative Gallivan of Massachusetts, who announced yesterday that while he would vote for the reelection of Mr. Clark, he would vote against the retention of the top heavy southern organization of committees.

Fuller Is for Lenroot. One of the independents whom the Democrats sought today, Fuller of Massachusetts, rebuffed them by announcing that he would vote for Congressman Lenroot of Wisconsin, a Progressive Republican, for speaker. It is not improbable that Mr. Martin of Louisiana will vote for Mr. Lenroot, and possibly Mr. Schall of Minnesota. Besides getting independent votes, Lenroot may get a number of votes from Republicans who object to the election of Representative Mann of Chicago, the Republican leader, to the speakership.

The special Republican committee of twenty-seven on organization tonight considered a program to submit to the caucus tomorrow. The Lenroot faction presented a program to the committee calling for the nomination of a complete slate of officers, including a candidate for speaker; the selection of a floor leader, and the election of a Republican steering committee.

Delay Republican Action. The committee adjourned without action except the appointment of a committee to confer with Democrats on the pairing of all absent members—asked the natives talk. Yes, we searched in the moonlight for pirate gold, but thick as it must be, we didn't find any. So careless of those pirates to bury their hoards so well."

Leaders of both parties today communicated with members who have not arrived in Washington. The Republican

## FOR U. S. A.

Nine Leading Colleges for Women Express Loyalty and Offer Services to President in Event of War.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., March 30.—Nine leading colleges for women in America today expressed their loyalty when resolutions of support were delivered to President Wilson by his daughters, Miss Margaret Wilson and Mrs. Francis Sayre, both graduates of Goucher college. The resolutions are signed not only by the presidents of the nine colleges as individuals, but were adopted in each case by vote of the faculties. The resolutions follow:

"In this emergency, Mr. President, we wish to pledge you our whole-hearted support in whatever measure you may find necessary to uphold these principles. We wish to assure you of our full approval of such action."

"Any service which we (and so far as we are able to speak for them) any service which the thousands of trained women whom we have sent out from our colleges, may be able to render, we hereby place at the disposal of our country."

"TERRY R. McCRACKEN, Vassar."

"MARION L. BUNTON, Smith."

"ELLEN F. FENDLETON, Wellesley."

"CAROL M. THOMAS, Bryn Mawr."

"MARY E. WOODLEY, Mount Holyoke."

"WILLIAM M. GUTH, Goucher."

"L. E. BRIGGS, Radcliffe."

"FRANKA GILBERTSLEVER, Barnard."

"P. KING, Women's College of Brown University."

ans learned that Representative Capstick of New Jersey will be unable to be present, on account of illness. Representative Lee of Georgia did not attend the Democratic caucus because of illness. It is possible that illness of members may decide the question of control, as it takes only a majority of those present and voting to win.

## 'Craven' and 'Traitorous,' Message to Pacifists

The Portland Cement Association of Chicago, in a telegram to the Emergency Food federation, 30 Fifth avenue New York, bitterly denounced the latter's advertisements in Friday morning's papers in which they "as citizens of the east appeal to the Americans of the west to keep our country out of war."

The telegram was signed by Robert F. Hall, son of Gen. Robert H. Hall of civil war fame. The telegram read: "Americans of the west have read your craven appeal appearing in a full page advertisement in a Chicago paper. Five hundred of us, moved by your traitorous act, have telegraphed our representatives and senators to support the president in his war measures and to uphold the dignity of our country and to resist with force any further insults from your Teutonic friends."

New Brunswick Premier. Frederick, N. B., March 30.—Walter H. Foster today accepted the premiership of New Brunswick, was offered him after the resignation of Premier J. A. Murray yesterday.

## G. O. P. MEMBERS OF HOUSE STUDY ARMY TRAINING

More than Fifty Discuss Universal Service Legislation.

(BY A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.) Washington, D. C., March 30.—[Special.]—More than fifty Republican congressmen attended a luncheon today in the interest of universal military training legislation.

Included in the group were Representatives McKinley, McCormick, Ireland, Wilson, and Juhl of Illinois; Funnell, Sanders, and Moores of Indiana, and Hull of Iowa.

Representative Gardner of Massachusetts, after the luncheon, took up the Chamberlain and general staff universal training bills, and analyzed them for the benefit of the members present. He declared himself emphatically in favor of universal training, but rather opposed to compulsory service.

The gathering then joined in a general round table discussion of the subject of universal training in all its phases.

Congressman Williams of Illinois, who arrived today, said the people of the Twenty-fourth district, way downstate, are for war if there is no honorable alternative.

Representative Ireland said he favored universal training.

Representative Juhl also announced himself in favor of universal military training.

Connections Gets in Line. Hartford, Conn., March 30.—A memorial to congress favoring enactment of legislation to provide for "universal military service" was adopted by both branches of the general assembly today.

Up to Bay State Governor. Boston, Mass., March 30.—A resolution urging congress to enact laws providing for universal military and naval training was adopted by the lower branch of the legislature today. It passed the senate last night and now goes to the governor.

Maine Supports Plan. Augusta, Me., March 30.—The Maine legislature today passed a resolution urging Maine members of congress to stand for unqualified protection of American rights and universal military training.

Hamilton Club in Line. Universal military training is urged in resolutions that have been adopted by the Hamilton club. It is pointed out that the training must be compulsory to achieve the full protection of the nation and that such training is immediately necessary.

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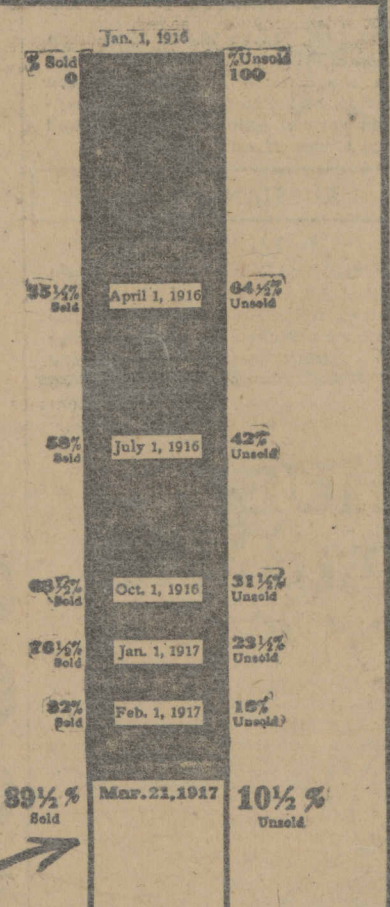
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