

British Premier Threatens Resignation

Lloyd George's Action Depends Upon Unionist Vote --- Danish Crew Refuse Help and Drown With Ship --- Native Indian Press Incensed by L.G.'s Speech --- Turks May Begin Another Massacre.

L.G. WILL RESIGN. LONDON, Oct. 17. Lloyd George, according to the Daily Mail, announced at a meeting of the Liberal Ministers this evening that he would resign if Chamberlain was not elected at the Carlton Club meeting on Thursday.

HANGS IN BALANCE. LONDON, Oct. 17. Whether Lloyd George, whose administration has long outlasted the patience of the great statesmen of the Versailles Treaty, will fall as a result of Thursday's meeting of the Commons, is still a matter of conjecture.

SANDERS RESIGNS. LONDON, Oct. 17. Sir Robert Sanders, Under-Secretary of War, has resigned, but has consented to refrain from further action pending Thursday's Unionist meeting.

REFUSED HELP--ALL DROWNED. STOCKHOLM, Oct. 17. All of the twenty-nine of the crew of the Dutch steamer Cornelius were drowned to-day when the ship and all the boats disappeared near the Gulf of Bothnia. The ship grounded four days ago and the crew refused offers of aid from the shore. A gale came up, battered the ship to pieces and prevented the approach of rescuers.

INDIAN COMMENT ON LLOYD GEORGE'S SPEECH. LONDON, Oct. 17. Comments of the native press of India on Premier Lloyd George's Manchester speech are most bitter. The Bombay Correspondent says, "The fact that the Prime Minister of the greatest Moslem power in the world, in defending his policy toward the Empire of the Caliph and Islam, should have eschewed all references to the feelings of Moslems is sufficient condemnation of Lloyd George."

THURSDAY'S IMPORTANT MEETING. LONDON, Oct. 17. The meeting of the Unionists, called for Thursday at the Carlton Club, is expected to be of great importance. It is expected to be confined to Unionist members of the House of Commons.

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ter, of which a summary reached here last night, has created a furore amongst Kemalist followers here. "This speech completely shatters the confidence we were reposing in Great Britain after her assurances to us at Mudania," said the Kemalist representative here.

NOTED LAWYER RETIRES. OTTAWA, Oct. 17. Francis H. Gisborne, K.C., Chief of Parliamentary Counsel, is retiring with leave of absence after forty years' service with the Department of Justice. Mr. Gisborne was born in Newfoundland in 1843 and was educated in England and Nova Scotia. He is the author of "The Duty of the Parent in Relation to Education," and other papers.

WEDDING BELLS. HALL--LONG. The wedding of Miss Wilhelmina Long, daughter of Mrs. E. Long-Pike of Carbonear, and Mr. Ernest G. Hall of the National Resources Dept., R.N.C., took place in St. Thomas' Church yesterday morning. Rev. E. C. Earp officiated, and a large number of friends of the contracting parties were present.

SOVIETS THREATEN VLADIVOSTOK. TOKIO, Oct. 17. Special despatches from Vladivostok report the city in imminent danger of invasion by Soviet troops. Members of the Vladivostok "White" Government are reported to have boarded a steamer in readiness to depart.

TRADE COMMISSIONER RETIRES. MONTREAL, Oct. 17. G. T. Milne, 14th Irish Government, Senior Trade Commissioner in Canada and Newfoundland, announced yesterday he expects to leave for England at the end of next month and will retire from the Imperial Civil Service in February.

AUSTRALIA TO HAVE ELECTION. LONDON, Oct. 17. Reuter's Melbourne correspondent cables that Premier Hughes of Australia announced yesterday the holding of the Federal elections on December 16th. The Melbourne Herald says it is practically certain that the Country Party and Labor will coalesce in opposition to the Nationalists.

DESIRES EVACUATION PERIOD EXTENDED. CONSTANTINOPLE, Oct. 17. The Greek Patriarch in a moving appeal telegraphed all the Allied Governments last night entreating the powers to prolong the evacuation period in Thrace in order to stay a panic which threatens in all parts of that country and referring to the possibility of massacres by Turkish gendarmes which he thinks is likely because the Turks at the present time are consumed with fanaticism and delirious from military successes.

NEW HOME OF PORT OF LONDON OFFICIALS. LONDON, Oct. 17. Premier Lloyd George to-day formally opened the magnificent two million pound office building of the port of London authorities, the headquarters of the administration and staff that control all the docks, wharves and commercial life of the Thames. The new building adjoins the ancient Tower of London and presents an imposing spectacle over the mighty river highway.

ANOTHER GIANT BLIMP GONE. SAN ANTONIO, Oct. 17. The giant dirigible C2, the army's biggest and best blimp, was totally destroyed by fire to-day, injuring seven of the eight men on board.

INDEPENDENT LABOR WELCOMES ELECTION. LONDON, Oct. 17. The National Council of the Independent Labor Party meeting in Manchester passed a resolution welcoming the prospect of a general election and describing Lloyd George's speech as an attempt to justify the ruinous Coalition policy at home and abroad.

FRENCH CAVALRY SENT TO ADRIANOPLE. CONSTANTINOPLE, Oct. 17. In anticipation of a possible outbreak of disorder the French Mission here has despatched a squadron of cavalry to Adrianople where a grave situation exists due to Greek evacuation.

FIGHTING THE DAUGHERTY RULING. NEW YORK, Oct. 17. Wet and dry forces faced each other to-day before Federal Judge Hand in the first battle between the United States Federal Prohibition enforcement authorities and the Foreign and United Steamship Lines over the validity of Attorney General Daugherty's liquor ruling. The Cunard, Anchor, White Star, French, Holland, American, American Red Star, United, American lines and the International Navigation Company were represented by a distinguished array counsel.

NEW YORK, Oct. 17. Federal Judge Hand to-day reserved his decision on the applications by the United States and foreign owned steamship lines to make permanent the stay restraining Government officials from putting into effect the Daugherty ruling that vessels must not carry liquor inside the three mile limit, even under seal, when touching United States ports. Meanwhile Judge Hand extended the stay he granted last week until he should reach a decision.

The Manuels Tragedy.

ENQUIRY RESUMED.

DAVID H. ROBERTSON, Sworn-I live at 184 Hamilton Avenue and hold a master's certificate of competency. On 19th August last I was captain of the S.S. Pawnee, which boat was then plying around Conception Bay. I know that on the date Mr. F. L. Southgate and Mr. Thomas Anderson were drowned by the upsetting of their boat off Manuels. I heard about the accident at 11.45 p.m. on August 19th. I was at Carbonear at the time and I received a telephone message about the accident. Mr. William Neal telephoned and said a boat had capsized off Kelly's Island with two men in her. I had a telegraph message from Inspector General Hutchings to proceed to Kelligrews and pick up Mr. J. J. McKay there. I proceeded there and searched for the boat and occupants. I left Carbonear at 1 a.m. and owing to the night being dark and close steamed slowly so as to get to Kelligrews at daylight and moored to the wharf at Kelligrews at 4 a.m. and left about 5 a.m. after taking on board Mr. McKay, Mr. Wilson and Mr. Lumsden and four other men from Kelligrews whose names I did not know. I proceeded towards Kelly's Island and steamed slowly from the Southern head to the North East end of the island, close in shore. I spoke to some fishermen there and asked them if they saw any sign of this boat or men on shore belonging to the boat. I saw no sign of any of them. I steamed to Little Bell Island and I saw no sign of anything around the island. I then suggested to Mr. McKay to steam towards Topsisal and then skirt the shore close in down to Portugal Cove. We arrived at the wharf at Portugal Cove at 6.45 a.m. and after being there about twenty minutes the men who came from Kelligrews stepped about fourteen inches aft of the stern. There was a brass runner on the mast and the gaff of the sail was attached with the gooseneck to the runner. There was a single hal-yard run through a shieve at the top of the mast and was attached to the peak of the gaff. The halyards, when the sail was hoisted up, was used as a back stay and that was the only one used. The centre board was down and in the well we found a belt which Mr. McKay told me later belonged to Mr. Anderson. The sheet ran through a block on the boom and a block on the thwart. There was no pin to belay the sheet to and it was evidently held in the hand of the person steering. There were two stern sheets in the boat and the person steering had to sit on the bottom of the boat. The top brace of the rudder appeared to be very old as it was fastened with ordinary wire where the pintle had been broken. There were two thwart in the boat--one fore and one aft of the centre board. There were no marks whatever on the boat to indicate that she had struck any rocks. There were no paddles and no place to ship paddles. The tiller handle was on the rudder. I remember the day of the 19th well. It was a fine day, blowing fresh with the wind about S.W. and a slight wind lull. We left Carbonear that morning at 7.30 and came to Portugal Cove and went back to Bell Island about one o'clock. There was a slight lull at one o'clock and a slight breeze, but nothing to interfere with boats going out. In my opinion there would be too much wind and lull for the little boat we picked up in Portugal Cove to be out in Conception Bay at one o'clock that day. If the boat was about a mile to the Southwest of Kelly's Island about one o'clock on that day there would be, in my opinion, too much wind for her. The sail appeared large for the boat. I have read the evidence in the newspapers of some of the witnesses from the South Shore (about Manuels and Kelligrews) and I saw where some of the witnesses stated that the sail disappeared off the boat about a mile to the Southwest of Kelly's Island. It might have been possible that the sail was torn about that time and the occupants of the boat had lowered it down to tie it according to the way the sail was reefed. In my opinion that little boat would not run long before the wind that day because any lull at all would go into her on account of being so low in the water.

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I cannot understand in view of the wind that day, how the boat drifted into Portugal Cove; with the way the wind was I would expect the boat to drift into Bell Island. On the north side of the Bay the tide was running to the Eastward, but I do not know how it was running on the Southward of the Bay. If the tide was running to Eastward on that side of the Bay it would carry the boat to Portugal Cove. There was not too much wind or lull that day to prevent ordinary fishing boats from either Fox Trap, Manuels or Kelligrews to go out to the scene of the accident at any hour that day. That is if the weather conditions were the same on that side of the Bay as we had on the other side, and I should say conditions were better over there as we were to leeward and had the full force of the wind and lull. I know that boats were out fishing from Bell Island all that day. I was often out myself in a small fishing boat with as much and more wind and lull as there was that day.

German Woman

WINNER IN TELEGRAPH COMPETITION.

BERLIN--Sending 2,888 words an hour on a Siemens printer, Erna Bannemer, of Breslau, won the speed championship of an international telegraphic competition held here recently. The second prize also went to a German woman. Of seventy-two prizes offered, German contestants captured more than a third. The chief awards fell to competitors of the various nationalities as follows: To Italians for the Morse apparatus; to Germans for the Hughes, the Siemens, and for Radio; to Spanish for the Baudot, and to Danish for the Wheatstone. Oskar Schindler of Vienna, won the Oesterreichischer trophy for being a prizewinner on three different types of apparatus. The award consisted of a large silver urn offered by the President of Germany. The contests were held under the auspices of the German postal administration. State Secretary Bredow, addressing the assembly gathered to witness the award of the prizes, eulogized Heinrich von Stephan, Germany's first postmaster-general, as founder of the world postal union. Doctor Bredow also declared it was Germany who aroused worldwide interest in wireless telegraphy by summing the first international convention for radio in Berlin in 1903.

For Gentlemen of good taste --Cub Cigarettes.--sept28.17