

BERLIN CONCEDES A POINT IN LUSITANIA CASE

BERLIN ADMITS LUSITANIA NOT ARMED VESSEL

Abandons contention in course of negotiations for settlement of the case, Sec Lansing says.

Washington, Jan. 3.—Germany no longer contends that the Lusitania could be classed as an armed vessel, a contention which was advanced as a justification for the destruction of the ship with more than 100 American lives lost. Secretary Lansing disclosed today that the contention has been abandoned in the course of the negotiations for settlement now in progress between the United States and Germany.

MAY INDICT HUERTA FOR VIOLATION OF U. S. NEUTRALITY

Charged with plot to obtain Presidency of Mexico — Under arrest and seriously ill.

San Antonio, Texas, Jan. 3.—Investigation of an alleged plot to restore Victoriano Huerta to power in Mexico was begun by a federal grand jury here today. United States District Attorney Camp asks that General Huerta, former president of Mexico, and nine other men already arrested be indicted on a charge of violating United States neutrality laws.

Gen. Huerta, who is in custody of federal authorities at El Paso, is seriously ill.

El Paso, Jan. 3.—The condition of General Huerta, former provisional president of Mexico, who underwent an operation late Saturday for gall stones, remains critical today, according to his physicians.

A bulletin issued just before noon today by Dr. M. P. Schuster said: "Pulse and temperature normal. Condition still serious."

RECRUITING AT RATE OF 1,000 A WEEK

Winnipeg, Jan. 3.—Col. Rutland, officer commanding Military District No. 10, stated today that men in this territory are enlisting at the rate of 1,000 a week, which is equal to one new battalion every seven days.

"The west," he said, "will do its full share in proportion to the population to uphold its end of the campaign to raise the Canadian overseas army to half a million men, as announced on New Year's by Premier Borden."

Major J. A. McKenzie of the 26th New Brunswick Battalion, who was recently wounded, is under treatment at General Headquarters.

Lieut. M. N. McPhoe of the Fifth Field Company of Engineers is at the Duchess of Westminster Hospital at Le Touquet, suffering from a bullet wound in the thigh.

Forty-third Battalion, mostly injured—Corporal Andrew Toronto.

Forty-eighth Battalion, mostly ill—Robert W. Fenwick, ad.

Fiftieth Battalion, mostly ill—Alex. Sutherland, ad.

Sixtieth Battalion, mostly ill—Martin Sheppard (no name).

First Brigade Canadian Field Artillery, wounded—Albert Phillips, English Field Company Canadian Engineers.

Wounded—Corporal James Cleveland, Amherst, Ont., English Field Company Divisional Engineers.

seriously wounded—Sapper William Douglas, Scotland.

CANADA MAY TAKE PART IN FAIR AT LYONS

Industrial Exhibition like Leipzig Fair will be held under patronage of French government.

Ottawa, Jan. 3.—The trade and commerce department has been notified that the French are planning to establish at Lyons a great fair, similar to that which has been held at Leipzig, Germany, where sales of over \$50,000,000 were made each year.

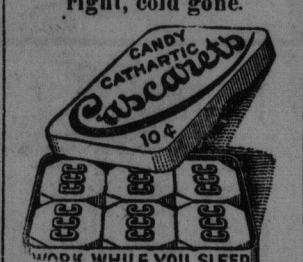
The fair, which is under the patronage of the French President, the minister of commerce and industry, will be held from 1st to 15th of March next, and will be open to all manufacturers, save those of enemy countries. The intention is mainly to bring actual manufacturers and buyers together. Those who took part in the fair at Leipzig returned home often without sufficient orders to keep their works going the whole year.

Sir George Foster believes that Canada should be represented in this movement, which will not only express sympathy with France, but which may develop interests of the most important character. The power of Germany is based upon her industry and export, he says, and the defence of civilization will be on industrial lines after the war is over.

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ACTIVITIES OF AN AMERICAN DIPLOMATIST.

EXPLOSION ON OIL TANKER; ONE DEAD, SEVERAL MISSING

One man hurled through hole in side of steamer on to deck of vessel fifty feet away — Believe bursting of gas tank caused accident.

New York, Jan. 3.—One man is dead and eleven others are known to be missing as a result of an explosion which wrecked the engine room of the Norwegian oil tanker Aztec at a Brooklyn dock today. The dead man was a fireman on the vessel, and five of the missing were members of the crew. The other six were employed on the dock. Seven were injured, three of them seriously.

Most of the victims were trapped below decks and those who were not instantly killed were drowned in the water which flooded the engine room through a great hole that was blown in the side of the ship.

The ship had just left a drydock, and the cause of the explosion is unknown, although it is believed to have been caused by the bursting of a tank of 10,000 cubic feet of gas which was used in connection with the oil fuel for the engines.

For hours after the explosion occurred city firemen worked desperately but fruitfully to recover the bodies of the victims. As it was certain that none of those who were below at the time could have escaped with their lives it was finally decided to pump the ship dry before renewing attempts to reach the bodies.

Most of the injured were rescued by Captain A. F. Bennett, of the tug Dalzeline, which was steaming down the river near the dock at the time of the explosion. Captain Bennett said he saw the body of a man hurled into the air, followed by a flame which shot fifty feet high, accompanied by a terrific explosion. The body fell into the river and sank immediately. Captain Bennett at once steamed under the stern of the Aztec, and took off eight of the crew, all of whom were badly injured.

The body of another man, a fireman, was blown onto the deck of the Roselands, a steamer which was anchored about fifty feet away.

The Aztec was under charter to the Inter-Oceanic Transport Company of this city. It recently returned from France and went into drydock on December 24th. The ship was to have sailed for Philadelphia this week to take on a cargo for a return trip to France.

OBITUARY.

William Farren.

The death of William Farren occurred at his residence, 42 Peter street, last night. Mr. Farren was 84 years of age and has been confined to the house for some years. He was born in Ireland but came to this country with his parents when a young lad. In younger life Mr. Farren was interested in militia affairs, holding the rank of captain. He was also a member of the old volunteer fire brigade. He was in the customs service for some years, but retired about 7 years ago. He was a member of the L. O. F. and Masons. He leaves three daughters, Mrs. Sarah Lowery, Mrs. Minnie Bartlett and Mrs. H. W. Young, one son, G. C. M. Farren.

The Soldiers' Comforts Association want five thousand pairs of socks this week to send to the men in the trenches.

B. A. MAGNAB, WELL KNOWN NEWSPAPER MAN, WEDS

Montreal, Jan. 3.—B. A. MacNab, editor of the Montreal Daily Mail, was married today at the Church of St. James the Apostle, Montreal, to Miss Lucy Winifred Terrill, of this city, formerly of Sherbrooke, Que.

Rev. F. Elliott Baker, curate-in-charge of the Church of St. James the Apostle, performing the ceremony.

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BATHURST IS DOING WELL IN RECRUITING

Already 125 men signed on and more in prospect — Rink nearly ready for accommodation of the soldiers.

Recruiting at Bathurst is going on at a much faster rate during the past week, than might be expected, owing to the fact that the recruiting officer, Mr. J. B. Hickey, has been confined to his home under quarantine for diphtheria, from which his youngest son is suffering.

There are now about 125 young men who have handed in their names, and it is hoped that before the present month passes out, we will have the full company recruited to strength. The recruiting rink is now about ready for the soldiers to occupy. It has been remodelled to suit the requirements of the company, and presents a very comfortable appearance.

The A. R. C. Clark & Sons Co., expect that the new water and sewerage system for the town of Bathurst, and also the west end, will be in operation in the town proper and in the west end as far north as the Station Hill.

SIR ROBERT UNABLE TO LEAVE THE HOUSE BEFORE NEXT WEEK

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Jan. 3.—Hon. Edward Brown, provincial treasurer of Manitoba, has wired Sir Robert Borden approving of the raising of the authorized forces for overseas service to 20,000. He says "our New Year's message very gratifying. Think it truly voices the sentiments of Canada generally."

Sir Robert is still suffering from lumbago and is not likely to be able to leave his residence before next week, which will be just before the opening of parliament on Wednesday the 12th.

FRENCH GOV'T ORDERS RELEASE OF GERMAN SHIPS TAKEN OFF U.S. SHIPS

Washington, Jan. 3.—The State Department was officially advised today that the French government, in response to representations made by the United States, has ordered the immediate release of German ships recently taken from American ships on the high seas by the French cruiser Descartes.

COTTON MILL WORKERS IN NEW ENGLAND REFUSE FIVE PER CENT. RAISE

Nashua, N. H., Jan. 3.—Union mill workers today throughout New England will not accept the five per cent wage increase which many manufacturers stated would go into effect today, according to a statement made here today by John Holden, of Fall River, president of the United Textile Workers' Union operative, Holden said, have for some time been considering a demand for a ten per cent increase.

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PROVINCIAL GOV'T MONTHLY MEETING BEING HELD AT FREDERICTON

Routine matters dealt with last night—New President of Valley Ry. not yet settled.

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Fredericton, N. B., January 3.—This evening's C. P. R. train from St. John was late in arriving here and that delayed opening of monthly meeting of provincial government.

Tonight's session of the executive was thus cut short and practically all the time available was given up to the routine matters on schedule.

There has yet been no appointment of a new president of the St. John and Valley Railway Co. to succeed Irving R. Todd, of Milltown, who resigned, and it is said that nothing can be done re the new operating agreement for the Valley Railway between the Provincial and Federal governments until the return from abroad of Hon. Frank Cochrane, minister of railways.

York Circuit Court will meet here tomorrow. There is one criminal case, that of William Barron, of Pokok charged with assault on John Carlin, also of Pokok.

York municipal council will open its January session here tomorrow morning. The election of a new ward will be the main business of the morning session. Coun. E. K. Reynolds or Coun. Stairs being likely choice.

Facts for Health Seekers To Ponder Over

Nearly every disease can be traced to clogged or inactive stomachs, livers or intestines. Indigestion, biliousness, headaches and insomnia all emanate from this cause. Keep these organs in working order and you'll have continuous good health. No case was ever treated with Dr. Hamilton's Pills and not cured; their record is one of marvelous success. Dr. Hamilton's Pills are very mild, yet they cleanse the bowels promptly and establish healthy regularity. You'll eat plenty, digest well, sleep soundly, feel like new after using Dr. Hamilton's Pills to leave his residence before next week, which will be just before the opening of parliament on Wednesday the 12th.

CONSERVING SUPPLY OF RUBBER IN THE EMPIRE

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 3.—The British government is still carefully conserving the supply of rubber in the empire because of its use for war purposes.

The Canadian High Commissioner in London has written the minister of trade and commerce regarding the export of carpet sweepers, typewriters, clothes wringers and other articles containing a certain proportion of rubber, from neutral countries in Europe except from stocks in the United Kingdom and transshipment therefrom under license obtained in the United Kingdom.

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JEALOUSY DRIVES SOLDIER TO MURDER

Kills girl and uncle—Syracuse, N. Y. man confesses matricide — Brutal murder in Cypress River, Manitoba.

Sault Ste Marie, Mich., Jan. 3.—Howard Wiggington, a soldier stationed at Fort Brady, is under arrest here charged with the killing last night of Edna Bennett, and her uncle, John P. Lunt. Wiggington is said to have been jealous of alleged attentions paid the Bennett woman by a negro, and during a fight which ensued, Palnut was shot and instantly killed, and the woman received wounds which caused her death a few hours later.

Murdered Mother.

Syracuse, N. Y., Jan. 3.—Edward H. Buchanan, 34, gave himself up at the police station today declaring that he had murdered his mother, Mrs. Mary A. Buchanan. He said that he had killed her with a hammer in an argument over religion. His story was hurriedly taken and police rushed to the scene. They found Mrs. Buchanan lying dead on the floor in a pool of blood.

Slain by Hired Man.

Cypress River, Man., Jan. 3.—Moran Maitiff, a Belgian farmer living southwest of Cypress River, was murdered Saturday night and his hired man is in custody having admitted doing the shooting. The hired man is known as Bob, but his full name is unknown. He is believed to have been drinking and took a keg of beer home with him from town Saturday evening. When he arrived his employer was asleep, and the hired man, without any preliminaries, fired a charge from a shotgun into his body, killing him instantly.

OPPOSED TO HOCKEY GAMES.

Ottawa, Jan. 3.—Laurentine Chapter Daughters of the Empire, has issued a statement calling attention to the "disgrace of patronizing professional hockey games in times such as these."

It declares that high salaries are being paid able-bodied men who should be at the front and that the public's money might be devoted to much more useful purposes.

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