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Spy Stories In Washington Revived By Tunnel Discovery

SAYS SHE SAID FREE ALTERED

GERMAN PAPERS OF WAR DATES ARE FOUND IN PASSAGE

Investigation Follows Discovery After Motor Truck Broke Through.

PLACE IS MYSTERY Empty Bottles Indicate Use by Bootleggers Since the War.

(United Press.) Washington, D. C., Sept. 26.—A labyrinth of subterranean passages discovered in several blocks of Washington's most exclusive residence section, littered with German newspapers of 1917 and 1918, has revived some of the old war atmosphere in the capital, and talk of spies. A gaping hole made when the wheels of a motor truck sank through the earth, led to its discovery and investigation. Once penetrated, it was found to be large enough for a person to stand upright, walled with enamel tiles and wired for electricity.

Many Avenues Found. A searching party has followed several avenues, but has as yet failed to trace them all to their ends. One tunnel skirted the rear of the home of Edward B. McLean, local publisher and is thought to have an unlocated outlet on a street several hundred yards away. Another passage led to a walkway on an adjoining street; still another was blocked by a cement door which could not be moved to work their way on hand saws. By electric torches, it was possible to discern in newspaper articles frequent reference to submarine activities. The papers were defaced to some extent by cryptic design and engravings in cypher.

Think More Further Down. The investigation also discovered an iron ladder extending downward into the earth. After considerable digging several rungs of the ladder were uncovered and a cement arch which was believed to be connected with partitions still deeper in the earth were revealed. As the party moved on in its explorations some passages narrowed and the investigators were forced to work their way on hand saws. In one place the labyrinth widened into crossroads with miniature avenues branching out in several directions. The newspapers and others have held the belief that the tunnels may have been the rendezvous of spies during the war but its wide extent and the purpose of its many avenues are not yet understood. Electric light installation and a profusion of bottles, however, are believed to be due to a later inhabitant, probably bootleggers.

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Veteran Biker



John M. Clarke, 66, is the champion bicyclist of Grand Rapids, Mich. For the last 30 years he has been pedaling through his home streets. He recently celebrated his birthday by taking a 20-mile spin and following it with a swim across a two-mile lake.

CANADIAN SCORES GENEVA TRIUMPH

Hon. E. M. MacDonald's Report on Georgian Solution is Adopted.

By C. F. GRANDALL. (British United Press.) London, Sept. 26.—Hon. E. M. MacDonald, Canadian Cabinet Minister, who is representing the Dominion at the League of Nations conference at Geneva scored a personal success when the assembly unanimously adopted his report on the joint resolution of the British, French and Belgian delegates demanding that the League intervene in Georgia.

Wire Briefs

Gloucester, Mass., Sept. 25.—James Spencer, a fisherman, returned after a mackerel selling voyage, found that his wife had been dead in bed for more than a week.

London, Sept. 26.—(United Press.)—One warship was sunk, a German submarine was captured and the Russian government squadron were badly damaged by the flood waters which poured down on Leningrad Tuesday.

Bagdad, Sept. 26.—(United Press.)—British soldiers under the command of British officers is retiring on Amadia, 65 miles northwest of Mosul, in the face of a Turkish advance.

Constantinople, Sept. 26.—(United Press.)—Fighting is still going on in Georgia, and the Russians are battling desperately with Russian troops sent to restore order, according to dispatches here today.

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TO HEAR MEN'S CASE Hon. Chas. Murphy Agrees to Submitting Complaints to Board.

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FRANCE AND ITALY SWEPT BY STORMS

Heavy Rainfall and High Wind Does Damage—Loss in Leningrad.

Vannes, France, Sept. 26.—A storm of unparalleled violence is reported along the western coast, rain falling in ceaseless torrents. Mountainous seas are running.

Lyon, France, Sept. 26.—The flood in the Rhone River Valley in this district is becoming threatening. Part of the wharves here are already submerged and the weather continues.

Larochelle, France, Sept. 26.—A gale is raging along the Atlantic coast of France, devastating gardens, damaging houses and keeping fishing boats in their harbors. Many vessels have failed to take port.

Rome, Sept. 26.—Great damage is being wrought by floods, following the wake of storms, throughout northern Italy, especially along the Lago Maggiore and the Upper Adige River.

Leningrad, Russia, Sept. 26.—First estimates of the havoc wrought by the flood following Tuesday's storm placed the damage to industrial property alone at 10,000,000 rubles. The losses to private property have not yet been estimated.

Look For Keen Turf Battle on Saturday

New York, N. Y., Sept. 26.—Assuming a fast track, a good start and a clear race, experts are predicting the greatest battle in the history of the United States turf when Ephraim faces the wire with Larkin, Wise Counselor, Zev and My Own in the second international special over a mile at Aqueduct on Saturday.

Says Kaiser Has Eyes on Monarchy

New York, Sept. 26.—(United Press.)—Kaiser Wilhelm is awaiting a call to the German throne and expects it shortly. This fact was made known today by John R. Philip, a Chicago lawyer, who returned to this country after several months spent abroad. He met the former Emperor at Doorn, and at that time the Kaiser expressed the belief he would be called back to the throne.

Fire Does Damage To Moncton Home

Moncton, N. B., Sept. 26.—Damage estimated at over \$2,000 was done by a fire in a double dwelling owned by Joseph J. Bourgeois and occupied by George McLellan and Fred Bourgeois, Victoria street, this morning.

In Court 44th Time; Driver Gets 30 Days

New York, Sept. 26.—For the 44th time since June, 1919, Max Tauber, a chauffeur, appeared in court to answer to charges of traffic violations. This time he was charged with driving without a license and was sentenced to 30 days in the workhouse in the Traffic Court in Brooklyn.

FORMER RULER OF GUATEMALA DIES IN PRISON HOME

Death Comes as Friends Begin Campaign for His Release.

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