ENTENTE REPLIES REGARDING SEARCH OF MAIL

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS MAY FORCE U. S. TO CHANGE PLAN

Evidence Piling Up at Washin gton Points to Torpedoing of the Sussex and other Unarmed Vessels—Cabinet Likely to Take up Submarine Question in all Phases at Meeting Today.

Washington, April 3.—Accumulation by the State Department of circumstantial evidence indicating that the Sussex and other unarmed merchant ships have been attacked by German submarines probably will make necessary a change in the administration's plan for dealing with the broad questions of submarine warfare and the arming of merchant ships for defensive purposes. This became known tonight, after the State Department had announced the receipt of a despatch which came, quoting one of the survivors of the Manchester Engineer disaster as saying that he had seen the periscope of a submarine.

Other despatches received during the day brought the information that a number of affidavits from survivors of the Sussex were being forwarded by Ambassador Sharp at Paris, and that Ambassador Gerard at Berlin had been promised an early reply to his inquiries regarding the Sussex, the Englishman and other ships within a few days. It was indicated in the despatch that the German government would not wait for submarine commander to report, but would have inquiries made at submarine bases.

The entire submarine question probably will be discussed at the meeting tomorrow of the cabinet, but no final decision as to action is expected, because all the evidence is not at hand.

Until a number of unarmed merchant ships recently were overtaken with disaster in the war zone, the United States had planned to issue, for the benefit of the belligerent governments, a complete definition of its position regarding the arming of merchant ships for defensive purposes and the conduct of submarine warfare. The proposed declaration probably would have involved some changes in the regulations under which American port authorities undertake to examine the character of the armament on merchantmen entering American waters to determine whether it is defensive. Secretary Lansing, during a recent vacation at Pinehurst spent considerable time in arriving at conclusions on the matter which would be just and fair to all concerned and which no government successfully could challenge.

However, these conclusions were reached on the basis of the understanding which had been reached with the German government that there should be no attacks on unarmed merchant ships, particularly liners.

Consequently the proposed statement probably will be withheld until the facts concerning the recent attacks are cleared up.

CLYDE STRIKE IS ENDED

Glasgow, April 3 (4.30 p. m.)—The strike in the Clyde plants is over and work will be resumed tomorrow.

Paris, April 3.—Essad Pasha was received today by Premier Briand who commended him as "president of the Albanian government for his loyal attitude to the Entente Allies and the help he had given him in extricating the Serbian army."

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PTE. REARDON OF THE 104TH DIES AT SUSSEX

Special to The Standard.

Sussex, April 3.—Private Gregory Reardon, of the 104th Battalion passed away at the military hospital here at 2 o'clock this morning after a brief illness of pneumonia.

Of all the many thousands of troops that have been under canvas and quartered here since the commencement of the war, this is the first death of a soldier that has taken place in Sussex. The deceased who was 32 years of age, was a resident of Woodstock, and is survived by a wife and two children. The body was conveyed to the C. P. R. this afternoon from the funeral parlors of F. W. Wallace with full military honors. The remains were taken to Woodstock for interment. The deceased was extremely popular in the corps of which he was a late member, and his sudden passing is felt with keen regret by all.

BRITISH CRUISER SUNK BY MINE?

Berlin, April 3, by wireless to Sayville—The Overseas News Agency says:

"The Cologne Gazette has obtained reports from reliable sources that at about the middle of February a British armored cruiser of the County class struck a mine and sank. It is supposed the lost cruiser was the Donegal."

DIED.

WARN—In this city, on the 1st inst., William H. Warn, leaving his wife and two daughters to mourn. Funeral Tuesday, at 2.30 o'clock; service at residence, 181 Paradise Row.

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EVERETT GRAHAM, WEST BATHURST, KILLED IN ACTION

Ottawa, April 3.—The midnight casualty list contains the following Maritime Province name:

Infantry.

Killed in action—Everett Graham, West Bathurst, Gloucester Co., N. B.

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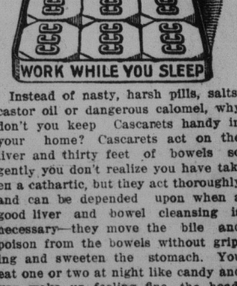

Instead of nasty, harsh pills, salts, castor oil or dangerous calomel, why don't you keep Cascarets handy in your home? Cascarets act on the liver and thirty feet of bowels so gently you don't realize you have taken a cathartic, but they act thoroughly and can be depended upon when a good liver and bowel cleansing is necessary—they move the bile and poison from the bowels without griping and sweeten the stomach. You eat one or two at night like candy and you wake up feeling fine, the headache, biliousness, bad breath, coated tongue, sour stomach, constipation, or bad cold disappears. Mothers should give cross, sick, feverish or bilious children a whole Cascaret any time—they are harmless and safe for the little folks.

LADIES AS OSTLERS.

A notable example of the utilization of female labor in war-time is afforded by three large military horse depots at Reading.

There is not a single man on any of the staffs, the work of attending to the horses being done by gentlewomen. Some of them have been brought up in Australian and Canadian horse ranches, but most of them are members of the South Berks and other hunts. The depots are convalescent homes for army horses. They have been organized by Mr. Cecil Aldin, the sporting artist and a joint master of the South Berks Hunt.

The fifty ladies working at the depots wear caps, short breeches and gaiters. They meet the horses at the railway stations and do all that is necessary for their comfort, duly despatching them from the railway stations when they are restored to health.—Tit-Bits.

No Legitimate Letter Mail Confiscated or Treaty Rights Violated, Entente Reply Says

Washington, April 3—The governments of the Entente Allies, through Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British ambassador, presented to Secretary of State Lansing a joint reply today to the protest made by the United States against the seizure, detention and enforcing of neutral mails. It declared that no legitimate letter mail had been confiscated nor any treaty rights violated, but emphatically asserted the Allies' intention to continue searching parcel posts packages for contraband, "concealed under postal folders."

In regard to "true correspondence," the note says the allied governments, "will continue for the present to refrain from seizing and confiscating at sea these correspondences, letters and despatches, and that they will insure the most rapid transmission of them possible as soon as the genuineness of their character is known."

The protest of the United States against the treatment of neutral mails was based largely on evidence in the possession of the State Department that while mails had not always been searched at sea, neutral ships, upon being taken into British ports for inspection, had British mails removed, detained and otherwise interfered with. The reply does not mention this phase of the controversy. The protest was in the form of a memorandum of instructions to Ambassador Page at London.

It stated specifically that the American government was inclined to consider that parcel post shipments were subject to the same treatment accorded goods sent by freight or express.

COMMISSION'S POWERS ARE EXTENDED

(Continued from page 1)

Ottawa, April 3.—The order-in-council constituting the Royal Commission which is to investigate the Kyte charges, was brought down today and read to the House by the Prime Minister. It provided for the fullest inquiry into not only the four specific Kyte charges, but also into such other matters affecting the proceedings of the shell committee as may be referred to the commission by the government. The order is dated today as having been approved by H. R. H. the Governor-General.

The commission is issued under part one of the Inquiries Act, following a report to counsel, dated March 31 by the Prime Minister "respecting the desirability of appointing a Royal Commission to inquire into certain contracts made by a committee (known as the shell committee and hereinafter referred to by that designation), of which Sir Alexander Bertram was chairman."

"The Prime Minister observes," says the second paragraph, "that the committee was constituted for the purpose of acting for the government of the United Kingdom (hereinafter referred to as the British government), and especially for the war office and afterwards the ministry of munitions in giving orders under the direction and subject to the approval of the British government for shells required for the purposes of the present war; and that the expenditure made by the shell committee for that purpose was on behalf of the British government."

The document refers to the charges made by Mr. Kyte, and states that a commission should issue "for the purpose of making a full and complete inquiry and investigation" into the four contracts made by the shell committee with the International Arms & Fuse Company, on June 19, 1915, with the American Ammunition Company, incorporated on June 19, 1915, with the Edwards Valve Company of Chicago, on or about July 16, 1915, and with the Providence Chemical Company of St. Louis, "if it should appear that the shell committee had entered into such contracts."

The first two contracts, it will be remembered, were for fuses, the third for cartridges and the fourth alleged contract was for picric acid. The order-in-council proceeds:

"The Prime Minister, therefore, recommends that a commission for the purpose aforesaid do issue under the said part one of the Inquiries Act, directed to the Honorable Sir William Ralph Meredith, K. C., Chief Justice of Ontario; and the Honorable Lyman Poole Duff, one of the justices of the Supreme Court of Canada, authorizing and requiring them with all reasonable diligence to make full and complete inquiry into the contracts aforesaid and each of them, and into the acts and proceedings of the shell committee, whether by themselves or by other persons directly or indirectly, and of the Minister of Militia and Defence whether by himself or by any other person or persons directly or indirectly in relation thereto or in connection therewith, and into the negotiations therefor, the profits or prospective profits arising thereunder, the disposition, division or allotment of such profits or prospective profits, or of any commission or reward for procuring the said contracts or any of them, and as to the persons interested in any such profits, prospective profits, reward or commissions, and generally speaking into all other acts, transactions and matters of every kind relating to the said contracts, and each of them and to report the result of such inquiry with the evidence taken therein. Also to inquire into such other matters relating to the acts or proceedings of the shell committee as may be referred to the said commissioners by order-in-council from time to time and to report the result of any such further inquiries taken therein."

New York Yarn Not True.

Ottawa, April 3—The commission is clothed with the powers under the Inquiries Act.

Sir Robert Borden also told the house today that a newspaper despatch from New York, stating that an official of the British embassy in New York had been sent to acquaint the governor-general of Canada with regard to certain irregularities in the placing of Canadian contracts in the United States, was untrue. He had brought the matter to the Duke of Connaught's attention and His Royal Highness had authorized him to state the report was untrue.

C. N. R. Bills.

The greater part of today's sitting of the Commons was spent in a vigorous discussion in committee over the Canadian Northern bills renewing charters for lines in the Toronto-Niagara districts. Non-party lines prevailed, the issue being between the Ontario Hydro-Electric champions who wanted first chance to construct public-owned and operated lines from Toronto to Niagara and the C. N. R. advocates who thought the company should be given further opportunity to finance its proposed lines giving connection with the American systems. Finally after five hours' debate a motion to adjourn the debate was carried by a vote of 40 to 23. This was first blood for the Hydro people, who are seeking to defeat the C. N. R. bill.

The Doherty bill to prohibit the importation of liquor into dry provinces was then given a second reading without discussion and considered in committee.

In the Commons tonight Mr. Proulx was told by the acting minister of militia that "John Wesley Allison, formerly of Morrisburg, and now of parts unknown," was appointed an honorary colonel in the Canadian militia on April 8, 1913. He was assigned to service in Remount Committee. The further information was given that he is not attached to any corps or unit for overseas service, and still holds his rank as honorary colonel.

In answer to Hon. Charles Marcil, the prime minister said that certain confidential communications had been received relative to Canada's participation in the conference of the Allies held in Paris last week but "it was not in the public interest to make these communications public at present."

The House adjourned shortly before midnight.

FRENCH STATEMENT

Paris, April 3—The official communication issued by the war office tonight reads as follows:

"Between Soissons and Rheims we carried out concentrated fire against the German organizations north of the Butte wood and Mount Sapigneul.

"In the Argonne our batteries violently bombarded the west corner of the Avocourt wood. An enemy blockhouse was destroyed, and a munitions depot blown up.

"West of the Meuse the Germans launched yesterday, at the end of the day, a vigorous attack between Haucourt and Bethincourt, against our positions on the north bank of the Forges brook, which we had evacuated, withdrawing to the south bank in the night of March 31-April 1, without the enemy perceiving it. Surprised by a violent fire directed from our new positions, and a flanking fire from Bethincourt, the enemy forces suffered heavy losses without having been able to fight.

"Today the bombardment was quite violent in the region of Bois Bourrus, but there was no infantry action.

"East of the Meuse our counter-attacks developed success. In the course of the day we drove back the enemy as far as the northern outskirts of the Caillette wood, and to the north of the Vaux pond. A last counter-attack, particularly spirited, enabled us to re-occupy the west part of the village of Vaux, which we had evacuated.

"In the Woevre there was intense artillery activity in the Moulainville sector.

"In retaliation for the bombardment of Dunkirk by a Zeppelin last night, thirty-one Allied aeroplanes dropped on the enemy cantonments at Keyem, Essen, Terrest and Houthulst eighty-three shells of large calibre. Last night one of our squadrons bombed the station at Conflans.

"Today numerous aerial combats were fought with success in the region of Verdun. Our aviators brought down four German aeroplanes; other enemy machines took to flight or were forced to land."

British Bark Sunk.

London, April 3.—Lloyds reports that the British bark Bengairn has been sunk by a submarine. Part of the crew were picked up. It is stated that the vessel was not armed.

The Bengairn sailed from Seattle, December 10 for the British Isles. She was a vessel of 2,127 tons and was owned in Liverpool.

Russian Transport with Men and Supplies Sunk.

Berlin April 3, by wireless to Sayville—A 12,000 ton Russian transport, with troops and war materials aboard, was sunk by a Turkish submarine on March 30, the Turkish war office announced today.

Berlin, April 3, by wireless to Sayville—Edinburgh and Leith, dock establishments on the Firth of Forth and important shipbuilding works on the Tyne were attacked in last night's Zeppelin raid over England and Scotland, the admiralty announced today. There were numerous fires and explosions. A battery near Newcastle was silenced. All the Zeppelins returned safely.

"For the third time a German airship squadron attacked the English east coast on the night of April 2-3, this time on the northern part. Explosive and incendiary bombs were thrown with very good success on Edinburgh and Leith, dock establishments on the Firth of Forth, and at Newcastle, and important shipbuilding works, furnaces and factories on the Tyne river.

"There were numerous fires and violent explosions, with extensive demonstrations. One battery near Newcastle was silenced.

"Although shelled heavily, all the airships returned safely."

Another Sample of Berlin Inaccuracy.

London, April 3—The wireless press, on giving out the German official statement received by it today from Berlin, adds this footnote:

"Regarding the German official statements of the Zeppelin air raids of Saturday and Sunday we are officially informed that they are examples of the imaginative inexactitudes characteristic of these messages."

Anti-suffragists are still asking why Fraulein Schwimmer, the Austrian woman who is secretary of the International Suffrage Association, should suddenly have assumed the title of "Madame." She had called herself "Frau" Schwimmer until she started the peace ship movement, when she instantly became "Madame." Will some suffragist or Austrian diplomat kindly explain?

The Paris openings have shown that suits of silk for afternoon are to be much worn this spring. This is welcome news to the American woman, who always likes wearing a suit with dainty blouses.

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New York, April 3—A news agency despatch from Port Chalmers, N. Z., today says:

Back from the Antarctic seas came the auxiliary ship Aurora of the Shackleton expedition today with a terrible story of perils from great masses of drifting ice and of terrible hardships in the Ross Sea.

The Aurora arrived off the coast in command of Chief Officer J. R. Stenhouse of the Royal Naval Reserves. Mr. Stenhouse became commander when the Aurora broke loose from her moorings and went adrift last May, leaving Captain Mackintosh and several other members of the party ashore on Cape Crozier.

A tug, sent to the relief of the Aurora yesterday sent a wireless report of her arrival off the New Zealand coast, but, said she would be able to proceed into port without assistance.

The Aurora's rudder was snapped off when she was caught in the ice pack last May. She drifted more than 1,200 miles in the ten months she has held in the ice grip, but her crew fitted out a jury rudder, when she was free three weeks ago and made slow progress to
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