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ARABIA NEVER

and never had been, in the service of the British Government or any of the allied governments; that she carried some government passengers booked as ordinary packet passengers at the expense of the Government. The number of such passengers will be communicated later. It is understood also that there were no Asiatics on board, except the Indian native crew, and that vessels do not follow the ordinary peace route on account of the operations of submarines.

Germany's Usual Lie.
Germany asserted that the Arabic was in the service of the British Government, with a crew of sailors, with no women or children visible on board, painted like a transport, and traversing the regular transport lane; but has offered reparation, she shall be shown to have been wrong in that opinion. Whether the Arabic and Marina cases are regarded as analogous will be considered sufficient to justify action or demands by the Government if the submarine issue has not been decided, but it has been indicated that the developing seriousness of the situation may require a general stand.

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U. S. SELFISHNESS

says, but the fighting will continue, with Germany's terms increasing in severity as she achieves military successes.

Aims for Reconciliation.
"President Wilson's step we welcome," are the words with which Theodore Wolff opens his comment in the Tagblatt. He adds that quite regardless of feeling for or against President Wilson or the desires in some circles for war with America no responsible politician capable of thinking has the right to reject peace proposals because they come from Washington.

Herr Wolff points out that President Wilson undoubtedly has many sources of information as to the feeling towards peace in various warring countries, and, therefore, is not guided by parliamentary speeches delivered for home and enemy consumption. If the real peace conditions of the Entente are actually reflected in the speeches of Mr. P. P. Kurovsky, the Russian foreign minister, or David Lloyd George, the British premier, he asserts, then the path to peace is not a smooth one, for such a peace would be merely a humiliation. President Wilson, however, he concludes, is obviously aiming for a peace that would be a reconciliation, and Germany despite what the writer regards to be the angry clamor of the greedy, desires an understanding for such a peace.

Cannot Be Hushed.
In ending his article, Herr Wolff declares that whatever may be the outcome of the proposition, the discussion of peace has in any event begun and cannot be hushed.

WILL KEEP PEACE WELL IN FOREGROUND.

London, Dec. 22.—The Neue Freie Presse of Vienna, according to a Reuters' Amsterdam dispatch, says that President Wilson's note will have the effect at any rate of keeping the question of peace for some time in the foreground. It adds that the Entente will be obliged to discuss a reasonable basis on which to end the war, and that the desire for peace in the Entente countries will be further strengthened.

More Self Congratulations.

The Vienna Allgemeine Zeitung remarks with satisfaction that Austria-Hungary and her allies considered the same moment opportune to prepare the way for peace negotiations. The Neues Wiener Journal eagerly awaits the attitude of the Entente toward President Wilson's move in view of the recent declaration of the leading statesmen of the Entente that interference by neutrals with the object of bringing about peace, would be scarcely a friendly act.

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LIEUT. COTTAM FELL ON LONE EXCURSION TO FOE'S PARAPET

Some Say He Was Dragged
Over by Germans.

Details of the action in which Lieut. Bart Cottam was either killed or wounded, are given in a letter received from Lieut. Joe Walters, who went overseas with the same battalion.

The possibility that Lieut. Cottam may be still alive was first intimated in this way, and has since been confirmed by his friends that he may be held prisoner by the Germans.

Referring to the action in which Lieut. Cottam disappeared, Lieut. Walters says:

In Charge of Party.
"The battalion to which Bart was attached, and which is holding the line at our right, had been ordered to make a raid on the Hun lines on their front. Bart, who had been acting as scout officer for some time, was detailed to take charge of the raiding party."

About 2 1/2 hours in the morning, December 1st, with a party of scouts and bombers, Bart started across "No Man's Land." The battalions in support, including my company, had been ordered to stand off all night in readiness for whatever might develop from the raid.

Took All the Risk.
"Good old Bart! He wasn't going to risk the lives of his men needlessly, so he left his party in the middle of 'No Man's Land,' and crawled on alone to reconnoitre the situation before taking his men through the wire. He was shot in the chest, and he was lying on his back, but he was not hurt, and he was not taken prisoner."

Seen To Fall.
"Suddenly a rifle shot rang out. It was followed by others in rapid succession. Some bombs were thrown. By the light of numerous flares sent up along the Hun line, Bart was seen to pitch forward on his face on the German parapet."

The patrol rushed forward to his rescue, but he was already dead. He was turned against them. They made desperate efforts to reach the prostrate form, but the entanglements were too thick. They were unable to find a passage through and beaten off, he was forced to return to shelter, but not before three had been wounded. This much is fact.

Opinion Divided.
"Regarding the possibility of Bart being alive and, though wounded, a prisoner in German hands, opinion differs among the men of the patrol who accompanied him. Several claim that they saw him move after falling, and that later he was pulled into the trench by the Germans. Certainly the body had been removed from the parapet by morning."

"It's just like the boy to do what he did. In the old days in St. Thomas, when we were in training, his first consideration was always for the men of his platoon. Maybe that's why he was so popular. His was the action of a man and a true officer. It is my sincere hope that, though badly wounded, he is still alive, even though in the hands of the Hun."

NEW YORK COTTON EXCHANGE.

[Reported by Thomson & McKinnon.]
New York, Dec. 23.
Open. High. Low. Close.
January 16.23 16.63 16.20 16.60
March 16.41 17.00 16.30 16.96
May 16.88 17.32 16.82 17.22
July 17.04 17.30 16.85 17.29
October 15.46 15.60 15.25 15.57

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

Thomson & McKinnon, Royal Bank Building, report fluctuations in New York stocks for The Advertiser as follows:
New York, Dec. 23.

Trunk Lines and Grangers—

Open. High. Low. Close.
Baltimore & Ohio, 83 1/2, 84 1/2, 83 1/2, 84 1/2
Erie, 47 1/2, 48 1/2, 47 1/2, 48 1/2
Erie, 1st pfd., 49 1/2, 50 1/2, 49 1/2, 50 1/2
Great Northern, 117 1/2, 118 1/2, 117 1/2, 118 1/2
Great Western, 114 1/2, 115 1/2, 114 1/2, 115 1/2
G. Western, pfd., 41 1/2, 42 1/2, 41 1/2, 42 1/2
N. Y. Central, 104 1/2, 105 1/2, 104 1/2, 105 1/2
St. Paul, 91 1/2, 92 1/2, 91 1/2, 92 1/2

Pacific and Southern—

Atchafalpa, 104 1/2, 105 1/2, 104 1/2, 105 1/2
Canadian Pacific, 165 1/2, 166 1/2, 165 1/2, 166 1/2
Col. Southern, 26 1/2, 27 1/2, 26 1/2, 27 1/2
Kansas & Texas, 11 1/2, 12 1/2, 11 1/2, 12 1/2
Missouri Pacific, 17 1/2, 18 1/2, 17 1/2, 18 1/2
Northern Pacific, 110 1/2, 111 1/2, 110 1/2, 111 1/2
Southern Pacific, 97 1/2, 98 1/2, 97 1/2, 98 1/2
Southern Railway, 33 1/2, 34 1/2, 33 1/2, 34 1/2
Union Pacific, 147 1/2, 148 1/2, 147 1/2, 148 1/2

Ches. & Ohio, 65 1/2, 66 1/2, 65 1/2, 66 1/2

Lehigh Valley, 70 1/2, 71 1/2, 70 1/2, 71 1/2
Savannah, 137 1/2, 138 1/2, 137 1/2, 138 1/2
Ontario & West., 30 1/2, 31 1/2, 30 1/2, 31 1/2
Pennsylvania, 56 1/2, 57 1/2, 56 1/2, 57 1/2
Reading Railway, 10 1/2, 11 1/2, 10 1/2, 11 1/2

Tractions—

Brooklyn Transit, 82 1/2, 83 1/2, 82 1/2, 83 1/2
Interboro, 17 1/2, 18 1/2, 17 1/2, 18 1/2
Allis-Chalmers, 26 1/2, 27 1/2, 26 1/2, 27 1/2
Am. Beet Sugar, 91 1/2, 92 1/2, 91 1/2, 92 1/2
American Can, 47 1/2, 48 1/2, 47 1/2, 48 1/2
Am. Locomotive, 76 1/2, 77 1/2, 76 1/2, 77 1/2
Am. Smelters, 105 1/2, 106 1/2, 105 1/2, 106 1/2
Am. T. & T., 125 1/2, 126 1/2, 125 1/2, 126 1/2
American Wool, 43 1/2, 44 1/2, 43 1/2, 44 1/2
Baldwin Loco., 61 1/2, 62 1/2, 61 1/2, 62 1/2
Central Leather, 83 1/2, 84 1/2, 83 1/2, 84 1/2
Corn Products, 24 1/2, 25 1/2, 24 1/2, 25 1/2
Col. Fuel & Iron, 46 1/2, 47 1/2, 46 1/2, 47 1/2
Consolidated Gas, 23 1/2, 24 1/2, 23 1/2, 24 1/2
Distillers, 30 1/2, 31 1/2, 30 1/2, 31 1/2
Dome Mines, 20 1/2, 21 1/2, 20 1/2, 21 1/2
General Electric, 168 1/2, 169 1/2, 168 1/2, 169 1/2
G. Northern Ore, 35 1/2, 36 1/2, 35 1/2, 36 1/2
Ice Securities, 30 1/2, 31 1/2, 30 1/2, 31 1/2
Maxwell Motor, 23 1/2, 24 1/2, 23 1/2, 24 1/2
Marine, 26 1/2, 27 1/2, 26 1/2, 27 1/2
Marine, pfd., 82 1/2, 83 1/2, 82 1/2, 83 1/2
People's Gas, 104 1/2, 105 1/2, 104 1/2, 105 1/2
Studebaker, 112 1/2, 113 1/2, 112 1/2, 113 1/2
U. S. Rubber, 69 1/2, 70 1/2, 69 1/2, 70 1/2
Virginia Chemical, 41 1/2, 42 1/2, 41 1/2, 42 1/2
Westinghouse, 55 1/2, 56 1/2, 55 1/2, 56 1/2

Anaconda Copper, 82 1/2, 83 1/2, 82 1/2, 83 1/2

Butte & Superior, 49 1/2, 50 1/2, 49 1/2, 50 1/2
Chino Copper, 43 1/2, 44 1/2, 43 1/2, 44 1/2
Miami Copper, 37 1/2, 38 1/2, 37 1/2, 38 1/2
Nevada Con., 23 1/2, 24 1/2, 23 1/2, 24 1/2
Utah Copper, 102 1/2, 103 1/2, 102 1/2, 103 1/2

Oils—

Am. Lined Oil, 18 1/2, 19 1/2, 18 1/2, 19 1/2
Cal. Petroleum, 2 1/2, 3 1/2, 2 1/2, 3 1/2
New Mexican, 96 1/2, 97 1/2, 96 1/2, 97 1/2
Texas Oil, 211 1/2, 212 1/2, 211 1/2, 212 1/2

Steel—

Cruick Steel, 59 1/2, 60 1/2, 59 1/2, 60 1/2
Lackawanna, 82 1/2, 83 1/2, 82 1/2, 83 1/2
Pittsburgh Steel, 75 1/2, 76 1/2, 75 1/2, 76 1/2
Republic Steel, 77 1/2, 78 1/2, 77 1/2, 78 1/2
Railway Steel, 49 1/2, 50 1/2, 49 1/2, 50 1/2
U. S. Steel, 107 1/2, 108 1/2, 107 1/2, 108 1/2
U. S. Steel, pfd., 118 1/2, 119 1/2, 118 1/2, 119 1/2

Bonds—

Anglo-French 5's, 98 1/2, 99 1/2, 98 1/2, 99 1/2

FIRE CHIEF'S WARNING.

Fire Chief Aitken issues a final warning to citizens to exercise every precaution to prevent fires where Christmas trees are used.

The usual custom of decorating the house trees with gauzy, fluffly battings to represent snow, and then placing candles near this is regarded as highly dangerous practice, and unless the utmost caution is observed fires are liable to occur.

Chief Aitken suggests that lighted candles, where used, be placed a sufficient distance from inflammable material to reduce the danger of fire to a minimum.

9,000 SWITCHMEN GET AN INCREASE AND 8-HOUR DAY

American Union Wins Out in
Fight for Better Conditions.

New York, Dec. 23.—The 8-hour day with straight pro rata time for overtime is granted to the Switchmen's Union by the federal arbitration board in a decision today on the switchmen's controversy with the railroads. The award gives an increase of 5 cents per hour for both foremen and helpers.

The switchmen had asked an advance of 10 to 12 cents. They had demanded also time and a half pay for overtime work instead of the pro rata basis fixed by the board. While all the six arbitrators signed the award, James B. Connors and W. A. Titus, representing the switchmen, dissented as to the 5-cent increase, to the denial of time and half for overtime, and to the award given overtime at the pro rata rate.

E. F. Potter and T. W. Evans, the railroad representatives, dissented to the award of the 8-hour day.

Charles B. Howey was chairman of the board and Jeremiah W. Jenks was the sixth member.

The award affects thirteen eastern railroads.

"Much emphasis has been laid upon the fact that the hours of work of the switchmen are often long," says a statement of the arbitrators. "Although the standard work day has been ten hours, frequently the men have worked from eleven to twelve and sometimes even longer hours."

"It was said here today on behalf of the railroads that the switchmen's award was interpreted by them as 'not giving an O. K. to the Adamson law.'"

The award affects about 9,000 men.

Does Not "O. K." Bill.
"This decision in the switchmen's controversy with railroads has an important bearing on the Adamson law," it was stated here today by an official spokesman for the conference committee of managers of the railroads. "It does not O. K. the Adamson act, in our opinion. The Adamson legislation gave the men ten hours' pay for eight hours' work, or an increase of about 25 per cent in wages. The award today gives the switchmen only nine hours' pay for eight hours' work, or between 13 and 15 per cent in increased wages. We get a great deal of satisfaction out of this award."

It was pointed out on behalf of the railroads that they were pleased with what was alluded to as the switchmen's arbitration board's liberal proposition in its document filed in the federal court, of the road's argument as advanced during the hearings here. Nearly all of the road's contentions were emphasized, it was declared.

Resumes Act's Consideration.
The meetings between the conference committee of the railroads and the Brotherhood of Railroad Switchmen, which have been in abeyance pending the settlement of the switchmen's demand. With this controversy out of the way, it was stated by railroad officials today, the Adamson conferences will be resumed after Christmas.

It was said, however, that the situation probably will remain in statu quo until the U. S. supreme court has determined the constitutionality of the Adamson Act.

MUST FIRST LAY FOUNDATIONS OF PERMANENT PEACE

London, Dec. 23.—Viscount Haldane, in a speech at Westminster last night, referred briefly to President Wilson's note. He said that the British people desired peace intensely, and in that respect were in profound sympathy with the president.

"I think," he said, "that we are not the only nation that desires peace deeply. When Germany went into the war she reckoned on her magnificent controlled and magnificently organized armies to accomplish their purpose within a few months at the longest. She has been bitterly disappointed, and today the international situation is putting a heavy strain on her resources. Let us be careful about what we wish and what we need. What we must insist upon is a settlement and a peace which will contain within themselves the elements of agreement and of security for the permanence of peace. When that is secured it may be found to entail consequences which go very far. Questions of detail may be much less difficult when the foundation has been well and truly laid. Until that foundation of principle has been attained it is difficult to speak."

Drive Invaders Back First.
W. P. Massey, premier of New Zealand, speaking at Hornchurch, said: "It is our duty to go on until the power of Germany is broken and her armies driven back over their own border. That will be the time for peace. I cannot speak with any authority on the subject of President Wilson's note, but I would like to see, after what has taken place, that the president of the United States be told firmly that we have carried on the war thus far without his advice, and so intend to carry it on to the end."

Wait Allies' Answer First.
Reginald McKenna, former chancellor of the exchequer, speaking at Pontypool, closed his speech with these words: "I cannot ignore the news of the morning, though it would not be becoming in me to express an opinion on the American note, and the war in conjunction with them only can we consider overtures or proposals of any kind. Until there has been an interchange of views between the responsible governments I think it would be most prudent to refrain from any expression of opinion upon the situation thus created."

Have You Been Sick

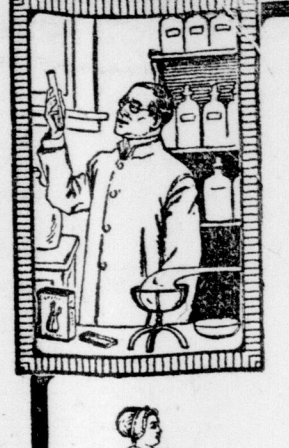
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SIR ALBERT H. STANLEY ELECTED TO COMMONS

Former Detroit Man, in New Cabinet, Wins Parliament Seat.

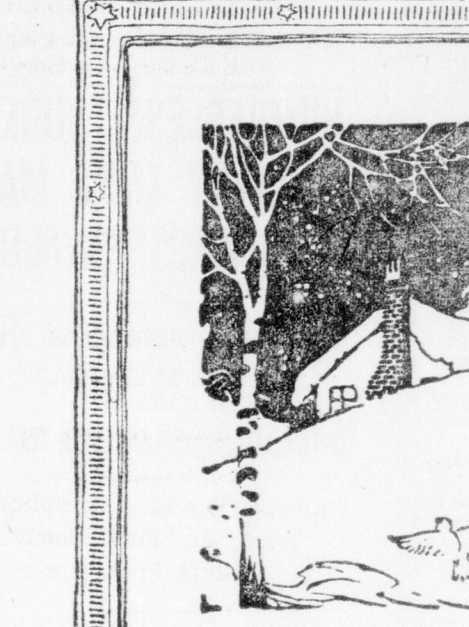
London, Dec. 23.—Sir Albert H. Stanley, president of the board of trade in the reconstructed cabinet of Premier Lloyd George, was today elected to the House of Commons for Aston-Under-Lyne without opposition. He succeeds in the House of Commons Sir William M. Aitken who has been raised to the peerage by King George.

WINS SILVER TEA SET.—Taken from three events, Major Hay Barris of The Advertiser won last night's three-piece silver tea set awarded by the Thistle Club to the member who secured the highest score in the silver tea set tournament covering a period of five weeks. Fifty-six contestants competed for the prize, which was carried off by Mr. Barris by a score of 278, as touched.

MAY BE SPECIAL MEETING.—There is a possibility that a special meeting of the council will be held next week to straighten up some accounts, and finish the work for the year. Nothing important will be touched.

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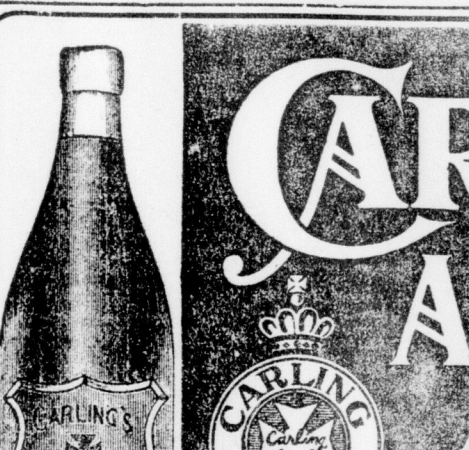
ALTHOUGH Christmas Day, 1916, will find our country still at war, nevertheless the great cause for which the Allied Nations strive is steadily making way and slowly but surely the hour of final triumph approaches.

More important perhaps than all, there has been awakened amongst us a spirit of service that promises better things for the days to come.

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ENTREE.
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Chicken Cutlet Nationale. Pancakes Marie Louise.

ROAST.
Prime Ribs of Beef au Jus.
Stuffed Goose. Green Apple Sauce.

VEGETABLE.
Steamed Mashed Potato. French Peas. Malted Butter.

SALAD.
Salad Monte Cristo.

DESSERT.
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Lemon Meringue Pie.
Vanilla Ice Cream and Cakes.
American Cheese.

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Canoe a la Russe.
Eastern Oysters on Half Shell.
Stuffed Celery. Salted Almonds.
Queen Olives.

SOUP.
Green Turtle au Maitre.
Consomme Nivernaise.

FISH.
Filet of White Fish a la Chambord.
Pomme D'Inde Rissole.
Boiled Capon with Bacon Sauce Supreme.

ENTREE.
Val au Vent of Sweetbread a la Toulouse.
Filet Mignon Saute Choron.
Lamb Cutlet a la Nelson.
Pineapple Pudding. Wine Cream Sauce.

ROAST.
Prime Ribs of Beef au Jus.
Yorkshire Pudding.
Young Turkey. Chestnut Dressing.
Cranberry Sauce.
Stuffed Suckling Pig with Baked Apples.

VEGETABLE.
Steamed or Mashed Potato.
Potato. Southern Style.
Asparagus Tip Hollandaise.

SALAD.
Waldorf Salad.

DESSERT.
Christmas Steamed Pudding. Hard and Brandy Sauce.
Deep Apple Pie. Hot Mincing Pie.
Cream Cheese. Chocolate Parfait.
Assorted Cakes. Mixed Nuts and Raisins.
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