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Giant Liners That Will Cross Atlantic In 4 Days Are To Be Built By Americans

Washington, July 24—Two gigantic ocean liners larger than any ships now afloat, and designed to cross the Atlantic in four days, are to be built by the Shipping Board. They will be 1,000 feet long and of thirty knots speed, and will be equipped for use as commerce destroyers in the event of war.

SEEK ROBERTS IN MURDER CASE

Miss Nettie Coates Killed in Rochester, N. Y., and Body Found in Barn

Rochester, N. Y., July 24—With all the energies of the Rochester police and the Wayne county sheriff's office bent on the finding of Charles Percy Roberts, thirty-seven years old, the authorities are confident that the murder of Miss Nettie Coates, fifty-six, whose body was found in an old barn near Sodus on Monday night, will be quickly cleared up.

The authorities have learned that on Tuesday night, July 15, when Miss Coates was last seen alive, she dined at the Roberts home, where the man who is being sought by the police lived with his mother and brother, and where Miss Coates formerly made her home. After dinner Miss Coates went for an automobile ride with Roberts and Mrs. Edward Chapin. They returned early and left Mrs. Chapin at her home and Roberts later drove Miss Coates to a flat in Wellington avenue, which she was occupying in the absence of the family that lived there. He drove away, according to neighbors.

SOME TROUBLE YET BUT SITUATION IN THE RACE RIOTS BETTER

Washington, July 24—Although there were reports of isolated outbreaks of negroes, including firing into a street car, last night passed without serious renewal of the race rioting which has terrorized the national capital since Saturday. The presence of 3,000 armed soldiers and co-operation generally by the public with the request of the city authorities that street traffic be held to a minimum resulted in quieting the situation and both the military and the city officials expressed belief there will be no more serious trouble.

MONCTON JEWELRY CASE POSTPONED

Moncton, July 24—Sam Brown, alias Sam Toy, a Chinese, and his white wife, who were brought here yesterday from Sydney, N. S., suspected of the theft of diamonds valued at \$3,000 from the store of Melanson Company, Moncton, on July 17, came before Judge Steves in the police court this morning.

COURT HOLDS 2.75 BEER TO BE INTOXICATING

New York, July 24—Beer of 2.75 per cent alcoholic content is held to be intoxicating within the meaning of the new law prohibiting its sale in a decision returned today by federal Judge Chadfield, of Brooklyn, in a test case brought by the government against Martin Schmauder of New Haven, who was charged with selling beer in violation of the war-time prohibition law.

Halifax Bank Clearings. Halifax, July 24—Bank clearings for this week were \$4,361,464.92; last year, \$3,872,314.35.

Bad News From General Ironsides

Russian Troops on Onega Front Mutiny and Join Bolsheviks, But Situation in Hand; Our Ships in Baltic and Caspian

London, July 24—The government has received a despatch from Major-General Ironsides, commander-in-chief of the Archangel front, stating that the Russian troops have mutinied and joined the Bolsheviks, handing over the town of Onega and the Onega front to the enemy. The latter also tried to take the railroad front, but were repulsed.

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WOULD NEUTRALIZE ALAND ISLANDS

Paris, July 24—The Baltic commission of the peace conference today presented a report recommending that the Aland Islands between Sweden and Finland, at the mouth of the Gulf of Bothnia, be neutralized under the guarantee of the League of Nations.

The Aland Islands form an archipelago of eighty inhabited islands and a vast number of rocks and islets. The population is about 18,000. The islands formerly were held by Sweden, but were taken over by Finland in 1809.

NO FURTHER WORD TODAY AS TO VACCINATION; HALIFAX REPORTS ON SMALLPOX

Nothing further was heard today from Washington regarding the regulations as to vaccination of passengers to the states.

Halifax, July 24—During the past few weeks there has been a marked decrease in the number of cases of smallpox in the city and there are now only fifteen patients at the hospital, the majority of whom have contracted the disease in the mildest form. The paratyphoid epidemic has also apparently died out.

AGAINST JAPAN TAKING PART IN MOVEMENT FOR TRIAL OF THE EX-KAISER

Tokyo, Sunday, July 20—(By the Associated Press)—The citizens of Fuku-shima have started a movement against Japan participating in the international tribunal to try the former German emperor on the ground that such action would have a bad effect upon the Japanese people.

Postoffice Choir Delayed.

Cincinnati, Ohio, July 24—According to a cablegram received by the Catholic Telegraph from its correspondent in Rome, the Postoffice Choir, which was expected to reach the United States from Rome about August 9, will be delayed a few days on account of transportation conditions.

KAROLYI TO VISIT UNITED STATES?

Reported Intention of Former President of Hungarian Republic to Visit America

Vienna, July 24—The object of a reported attempt by Count Michael Karolyi, former president of the Hungarian republic, to sail from Italy for the United States, it is said here, is to enlist sympathy and help for the political and industrial reconstruction of Hungary and to secure better territorial conditions. Count Karolyi is also said to intend writing a book dealing with conditions in the Hungarian republic during the eight months.

A despatch from Berlin under date of July 17 quoted Vienna advices as declaring that Count Karolyi had arrived in Italy from Austria through the assistance of the Italian military authorities in the Alpine mountains.

LOCAL NEWS

NEW PAPER COMPANY. This week's issue of the Canadian Gazette contains notice of incorporation under the Companies Act of Canada, of the Maritime Paper Company, Limited, with head office in Moncton.

BURIED TODAY.

The funeral of James E. Whittaker took place this afternoon from his residence, 81 Devereux street. Service was conducted by Rev. H. A. Goodwin and interment was made in Fernhill.

PREMIER AND PARTY RETURN.

Premier Foster and Mrs. Porter, C. H. Esason, manager of the Standard Bank in Toronto, and Mrs. Esason, Major A. McMillan and J. G. Harrison returned last evening from the Tobique, where they have spent the last ten days at Archibald Fraser's camp.

MRS. RALPH D. HOBEN.

Mrs. Mabel Olive Hoben, wife of Ralph D. Hoben of the Dominion Income tax office, St. John, died early this morning at the home of her mother, Mrs. H. P. Lint, Devon. She had been ill for some time. She is survived by her mother and stepfather, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Lint; one sister, Mrs. Hedley Bisset of St. John, and four half-sisters, Mrs. Jenkens of St. John, Mrs. Douglas Neill and the Misses Florence and Elizabeth Lint, and one half-brother, Harry Lint, of Devon.

AN INTERESTING VISITOR.

An interesting visitor to the city is David Collins, who left St. John many years ago when he was quite young and has resided in Boston since. He is here on a visit to his sister, Miss Lavinia Collins, of the west side. Mr. Collins was for a long time connected with the Boston fire department but retired a few years ago. He is being greeted by a great many old friends. Mr. Collins is a cousin of the late Robert Collins, who was at one time foreman of Union No. 2 fire brigade and also alderman for Wellington ward and was well known in this city.

TAKE A BAD TIME TO QUIT

After Nine Days of Rain Umbrella and Raincoat Makers Go Out on Strike.

New York, July 23—After nine days of almost incessant rain, the sun struggled through the clouds, banks at noon today and the weather bureau sent out the glad tidings that the flood gates had evidently been closed. Simultaneously with this prediction came the announcement by the manager of the Raincoat Makers' Union that its members would walk out tomorrow to enforce its demands for a 44-hour week with \$44 pay.

The umbrella makers quit last week while it was pouring hardest, thereby getting the jump on their brother craftsmen. If the rain has ceased it probably will avert serious floods in the lowlands of New Jersey and Long Island where considerable damage already has been done.

As Hiram Sees It

"I see," said Mr. Hiram Hornblum to the Times reporter today, "that the 'war's' gift is better."

"I have been wondering," said the reporter, "just what punishment should be meted out to him."

LIGHTNING STARTS MORE FIRES IN DISTRICTS WHERE FORESTS BLAZE

Much of Pacific Northwest Under Pall of Smoke From Montana, Idaho, Washington and Oregon

San Francisco, July 24—Much of the Pacific Northwest is under a pall of smoke from grass, brush and forest fires burning today in Montana, Idaho, Washington and Oregon.

Lightning was responsible for some new fires reported and high wind in many places overtook temporary abatement of the storm, which had been a fall which accompanied the thunder storms. Thousands of fire fighters have been for weeks waging an almost ceaseless struggle against the flames.

In western Montana and northern Idaho, according to forest officials there have been 612 fires since June 12. About 2,500 men are employed in fighting the fires in the western states.

SWIMMERS WANT EQUIPMENT AND ALSO MORE ROOMS

Patrons of the swimming scow at the foot of Kennedy street are raising money to procure a spring board and other equipment. The scow and dressing rooms are being patronized by a large number of expert swimmers and they are anxious to procure a spring board for diving. There is also talk of having a delegation interview Commissioner Bullock to try to get more dressing rooms. At present only fourteen children are crowded into the small rooms while four and sometimes five young men or young women use one room. Even then hundreds are either turned away on a fine day, or else have to wait a long time for a chance to get a room.

THE FOUNTAIN WORK

The latest explanation given by the contractors regarding the delay in the re-erection of the Market square fountain is that there has been no delay, but that they have been waiting for the cement to harden in the new foundation before proceeding with the erection of the upper works.

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stewart, director of meteorological service

Synopsis—The shallow low area which has passed of Lake Superior yesterday has passed the St. Lawrence Valley. A few local under winds, mostly fine and warm today and on Friday; thunder storms in a few localities. New England—Fair tonight and Friday; not much change in temperature, moderate west winds.

Horse 'More than Germans'; Rivalled Siberia

Official Reports of U. S. Army on Shocking Cruelties in American Prison Farm Where "Hard Boiled" Smith Ruled

Washington, July 24—Official reports of the United States army, handed to a congressional sub-committee yesterday afternoon by General March, chief of staff, reveal allegations of shocking cruelties practiced upon enlisted men confined in American army prisons abroad.

TAFT'S PLAN FOR RECONCILIATION ON LEAGUE MATTER

Interpretations in Senate Acceptance to Bring Union of Democrats and Republicans and Save Covenant

Washington, July 24—A plan for "interpretations" of the League of Nations has been suggested by former President Taft in the hope of making on a "middle ground" moderate democrats and republican senators to defeat any radical amendment of the covenant, and in the end obtain its ratification.

The suggestion has been received with earnest consideration by the group of republicans who declare they have reason to believe will be accepted by the administration. The administration leaders, however, unwilling to concede that any reservations will be necessary, insist they will have the votes when the time comes to ratify the covenant.

Mr. Taft's suggestion, which created a sensation in the senate because of its nature, is to have the covenant ratified, was embodied in two letters to Will H. Hays, Republican national chairman. The letters do not outline definitely the interpretations suggested by Mr. Taft, but they are referred to as having been contained in a previous unpublished communication.

ADDITIONS TO K. O. C. EDUCATIONAL EXPERTS

New York, July 24—The staff of educational experts who will prepare a course of practical supplementary training for the benefit of 600,000 Knights of Columbus has been strengthened by the addition of Rev. John J. Wynne, S.J., of New York, editor of the Catholic Encyclopedia, and Arthur Somers, formerly president of the New York City Board of Education. A meeting will be held here on Sunday to discuss this educational plan for presentation in concrete form to the peace convention in Buffalo.

A COMPLAINT

To the discomfort of people of the vicinity and offending the feelings of those whose relatives are buried in the Church of England cemetery, Westminster land road, the Times is informed that some people have made a bye-path through the hallowed spot, and that it is also somewhat resorted to by drinking parties. The rear fence is reported broken down and the front one in dangerous condition.

ALCOHOL STOLEN

Some person or persons made a break on Tuesday night into the warehouse of the Wilson Chemical Co., Church street, and succeeded in getting two half-barrels of alcohol. A stinging has been erected about the building for some repair work and by this means an entrance was made.

Final Effort To Learn Fate Of The Men Missing on West Front

London, July 24—(Reuter's)—In order to exhaust all sources of information regarding the fate of officers and men missing in Belgium and Northern France during the war, the government has decided to dispatch a special mission to the continent to make an extensive tour throughout the country districts and conduct an inquiry among peasants, parish priests and other classes of the population likely to have been in touch with men hiding in occupied territory.

CONVINCE WORLD NOW DISTRUSTFUL

"German Unshakable Will To Peace," Says Mueller

Urges Carrying Out of Treaty to Utmost, While Working Also to Have it Revised—Very Nice Words for Belgium and France

Weimar, July 24—(By the Associated Press)—Dr. Hermann Mueller, minister of foreign affairs, speaking before the national assembly yesterday, urged the carrying out of the peace treaty to the utmost, while working also for its revision. He advocated the friendliest disposition towards Belgium by real sacrifices, thus paving the way for an understanding with the Belgian neighbor nation.

WELFARE OF PEACE

Dr. Mueller favored non-intervention in Russia and an effort to promote friendly relations with Poland and Czechoslovakia, while not forgetting Germany's former allies, Bulgaria and Turkey. He entered a strong plea in favor of the League of Nations. He declared that the German people, having discarded their militarism, must devote themselves to convincing a distrustful world of their unshakable will to peace, and thus prepare the ground for a real League of Nations.

PLANS FOR THE SOLDIERS' DAY

Suggestions Made Today For Housing Thousands Who Will Be City's Guests

The problem of caring for between 5,000 and 8,000 returned soldiers during a double holiday next month is confronting the people and there are several plans put forward for handling the influx of men who will be the guests of the city for Soldiers' Day. One plan was outlined by a citizen interested in this morning.

He suggested that the committee having the matter in hand should arrange with the various church and other organizations to have their members submit to the secretary an account of the accommodation available in each of their homes of their own organization, then in turn to report to some central office for the whole city. Then an idea of the number that can be cared for and where the accommodation is to be had can be formed.

On the day of the arrival of the returned men in St. John an office could be opened, say in the Union Depot, and the men applied for accommodation, each could be handed a card showing the name and address of the person to whom they would be during their stay in the city.

The military authorities are prepared to take care of about 2,000 men at the armories, and it is expected that there will be no difficulty in getting accommodations in private homes for all the remainder. It is almost certain that a great many of the visitors will have friends in city with whom they can stay while here, but it is for those who are not known that arrangements will have to be made. Should there not be sufficient accommodations in private homes for all the returned men, it has been suggested that the churches might be opened during the night and a certain number accommodated in this way.

LOOTING AND DESTRUCTION IN VARIOUS PARTS OF ENGLAND

London, July 24—(By the Canadian Associated Press)—Civil disturbances in various parts of the country have been as destructive as anything committed by the military. At Swinton last night gangs of youths and discharged imperial soldiers looted twenty business premises and burnt the flagstaff outside the municipal buildings. At Luton, where the town hall was burnt, further disturbances were quelled by police charges. Two men and four women were arrested and further arrests are imminent.

ITALY AND GREECE

Paris, July 24—(Havas)—According to the Temps the agreement between the Italian and Greek delegations to the peace conference concerning the frontier of Thrace seems to extend to other regions where Italian and Greek interests meet. The conversations between Premier Venizelos of Greece and Signor Tittoni, Italian foreign minister, are mainly on questions concerning Asia Minor and Epirus.