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HEAVY GALE ALONG ATLANTIC COAST

Extensive Damage Reported Along the Shore from North Carolina to Maine.

SEABRIGHT IN GREAT PERIL

Town is Partly Under Water and Faces Possible Destruction at Next High Tide—Foreign Warship Ashore Gets Off.

BULLETIN

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 7.—A dispatch to the Maritime exchange from its station at Lewes, Del., says that a telephone message at 12:38 p. m. from Ocean City, Md., reported that the warship which had been grounded off that place had proceeded seaward. A forty-five mile gale was blowing and the weather was very thick, making it impossible to learn the identity of the ship.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—A roaring north-easter today swept the Atlantic coast at sixty miles an hour from North Carolina to Maine.

Chief among the many wrecks cast upon the shore was an unidentified warship, with four funnels and a fighting top, which went ashore yesterday near Ocean City, Md. The identity of the vessel was hidden by a bank of fog, but its desperate plight was manifested by continual shrieking of its whistle for help, which could not be given because of the high seas.

Lashed by the gale, the ocean battered down the sea wall at Seabright, N. J., during the night and placed the town in imminent peril of destruction on the next high tide. The highway commission inauguration by rail was postponed because of the high seas.

Along the coast of New England the gale was especially violent. At Point Judith, R. I., a small schooner was torn from its anchorage and thrown on the breaker. Life savers seeking to rescue the crew of a six-masted schooner which struck Tuckerhook shoal on Saturday have been unable for two days to launch their boats.

CONGRESS BEGINS ITS SHORT SESSION

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prehensive plan of dealing with waterway improvements and conservation of natural resources.

A general waterway bill to establish a nation-wide system of broad scope, which has been introduced by a committee of the cabinet, will probably be urged.

Immigration and Prohibition. Many other important subjects are pending, included in the list is the rural credits bill prepared at the last session.

Foreign affairs are certain to occupy attention of the senate. The administration is said to desire action in the United States would acquire another inter-oceanic canal route and naval station rights in the Bay of Fonseca for \$2,000,000.

Rivers and Harbors Bill. In preliminary discussions of appropriations, the estimates for the new Federal Trade commission to supervise the business of industrial corporations are prominent.

Skunks Helpful in Killing Caterpillars

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The much maligned "skunk" has been found to be one of the most useful members of the mammal kingdom, as an enemy of the full grown rang caterpillar. This was announced today by the Agricultural department bureau of biology, after exhaustive investigation.

Colorado Magnate Refuses Name of Author of "Facts" Book

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 7.—J. P. Welborn, president of the Colorado Fuel and Iron company, clashed with Chairman Walsh of the Federal Industrial Relations commission today over the right claimed by the coal operator to withhold the name of the man who wrote "Facts Concerning the Struggle in Colorado for Industrial Freedom."

MAY BOYCOTT ALL FEDERALS

Organized Base Ball Magnates Are Considering Drastring Measures.

BIG FIGHT GOES MERRILY ON

Federals Announce They Will Place a Club in New York Next Season—National Commission Meets Tuesday.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—In advance statements on what should be done is indicative of what to expect, drastic action will be taken by the National commission, the National league and the International league here this week with regard to methods adopted by Federal league promoters to encourage the jumping of players to the new organization.

Without exception every club owner on his arrival here has had something to say concerning the Federals, and the Federals, not to be outdone, have let it be known that a club may be placed in New York City next season.

August Herrmann, chairman of the National commission, characterized the signing by the Brooklyn Federals of Marquand "as a great mistake," adding, however, that it was the New York club's loss and unless President Hemetford demanded action it was no commission affair.

Hitchcock's Arms Resolution Adopted by the Upper House

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The senate today adopted a resolution introduced by Senator Hitchcock providing the secretary of commerce to report on the extent of shipment of arms and other munitions of war to belligerent nations of Europe or to Canada.

Student Grasps Live Wire and is Instantly Killed

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 7.—(Special Telegram.)—A student, two-year agricultural student, was electrocuted yesterday afternoon on the state college campus when he grasped a guy wire on a 1,000-volt circuit. His home was at Jessup, Ia. Relatives took the body home today.

British Ship Sunk by German Transport Off Coast of Chile

VALPARAISO, Chile, Dec. 7.—The British steamer Caracas, from New York, has been sunk at sea off Port Corral, Chile, by the German transport Prinz Eitel Friedrich. The crew of the Caracas has been landed at Papudo, forty-five miles north of Valparaiso.

Jews Get Commissions in the German Army

BERLIN, Dec. 7.—(By Wireless to London.)—It was announced officially today that twenty-six Jews had received commissions in the German army. Twelve of these are from Prussia, twelve from Bavaria, one from Saxony and one from Wurttemberg.

In all 719 Jewish soldiers have received iron crosses, three of them of the first class.

be used in connection with it," said Mr. Welborn. "My word is given upon it, and I think the writer has some rights in the matter."

"Without going into the reason for the commission's request," said Mr. Walsh, "that is no proper reason, so far as the law is concerned, for not giving the information."

"He was not responsible except for the detailed explanation," protested Mr. Welborn, "any more than a stenographer to whom I dictate a letter."

"If you decline to give the name, the commission will, of course, take such action as it deems best," warned Mr. Walsh.

"I do not decline," replied Welborn, "but I ask the right of consulting counsel. I consider this a very serious matter."

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JANITOR WAS AN EX-CONVICT

Man Suspected of Killing Girl Often in Iowa Prisons.

ALSO IN INSANE ASYLUMS

Confronted with Body of Ten-Year-Old Victim, He Shows No Signs of Emotion, but Talks Volubly.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Dec. 7.—David Fountain, janitor of the church here in which the body of the murdered 15-year-old school girl Margaret Milling, was found late yesterday, admitted to the police today that he had spent a year and a half in Iowa insane asylums and had served five terms in Pennsylvania and Iowa prisons for burglary and safe robbery.

When first taken into custody, he talked volubly, but under a stage of vigorous questioning by the police and district attorney he was taciturn and sullen.

He was led to the little room under the belfry of the church, where the murder is believed to have been committed and where the floor still bears traces of the tragedy. No emotion was exhibited by the janitor.

The police also took Fountain to a moving picture house, from which he said last night he had just returned when he found the child's body, with a cord twisted about his throat. He said the picture he had seen was an Indian romance, in which a murder was enacted.

"It's all been killing with me today," Fountain is said by Mrs. Charles Oehler, wife of the pastor of the church, to have told her after his return from the show and after he had reported to her the discovery of the body in the basement of the church.

One of the statements Fountain is said to have made while being worked today was that he had left his sweat at the church yesterday afternoon, intent upon stealing a horse and buggy. "I have had no luck here," he is reported saying, "and I wanted to get back to Texas, where I used to live."

Fountain exhibited a trace of dismay when several blood spots were pointed out on his trousers. He said he had killed a chicken, but Paul Oehler, son of the pastor, asserted that Fountain had killed a turkey Thanksgiving day and that blood was spattered on his clothes.

Two Swedish Ships Are Sunk by Mines Off Finnish Coast

LONDON, Dec. 7.—A dispatch from Stockholm to Reuters today contains the statement that the Swedish steamers Luna and Everilda struck mines off the Finnish coast and that both steamers sank. The crew of the Luna was saved, but all men aboard the Everilda, except one man, were lost.

RUSSIAN LOSSES AT LODZ LARGE

German Official Report Says Details of Capture of Polish City Are Not Available.

MORE FIGHTING IN THE WEST

French War Office Tells of Continued Attack on German Trenches in Yser Region—Artillery Fight in Champagne.

BERLIN, Dec. 7.—(By Wireless to London.)—The German official statement given out in Berlin this afternoon says that in northern Poland German forces were successful in prolonged fighting around Lodz in defeating strong Russian forces stationed to the northwest and to the southwest of this city.

The text of the announcement follows: "No special reports have been received from the western theater of the war, nor from the region to the east of the plain of the Masurian lakes."

"In northern Poland we gained important successes in prolonged fighting around Lodz by defeating strong Russian forces stationed to the northwest and to the southwest of this city."

"Lodz is in our possession. Details of the battle giving us Lodz cannot yet be made public because of the extended field over which the engagement was fought. The Russian losses were very large. An attempt by the Russians to come to the assistance of their threatened armies in the north from northern Poland was foiled by the activity of the Austro-Hungarian and German troops in the district southwest of Piotrkow."

French Continue Attacks. PARIS, Dec. 7.—The French war office gave out an official communication this afternoon as follows: "In the region of the Yser we continue to attack the few entrenchments still held by the enemy on the left bank of the canal."

"In the region of Amantieres and of Argonne there is nothing to report, except to refer in general terms to the superiority of our offensive."

"In Champagne our heavy artillery on several different occasions has shown marked superiority over the enemy."

Making Plans for Distribution of the Harvest Laborers

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 7.—Plans for a thorough distribution of harvest hands in the grain growing states of the Mississippi valley were discussed at a conference begun here late today under the auspices of the United States commission of industrial relations.

IOWA ROAD LAW WORKS FINE

Creation of Commission Fully Justified by Results.

ELEVEN MILLIONS EXPENDED

Adequate Organization Results in Better Bridges, More Permanent Roads and Greater Economy in Maintenance.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) DES MOINES, Ia., Dec. 7.—(Special.)—The highway legislation of the state of Iowa, which has been fully justified by events of the last two years. The report of the commission just filed is convincing of this fact.

"The highway legislation of the Thirty-fifth general assembly was planned to form the foundation," says the report, "on which would be built a sane, practical structure of highway administration for Iowa. It was not expected at that time that a perfect measure would be written in its every detail, but the two years' use has proven it to be in many respects a model piece of legislation. It is strongly written, vital principles are not obscured by minor details and indefinite language, and in the last two years not a single controversy under its provisions has reached the courts."

The report also says that the work all along the line—better bridges, more permanent work, intelligent work, economy. The greatest problem which faces the state in the matter of building a system of highways is that of adequate organization. For a long period Iowa must depend largely upon earth roads and these need constant maintenance. It is therefore important that a system of maintenance be adopted that will be permanent. The patrol system is favored, a system in use in some of the countries in the state with success. For any heavily traveled road having earth, gravel, macadam or similar surface, nothing less than continuous maintenance will preserve the integrity of the surface or conserve the original investment. The traveling public demands continuous upkeep.

The commission, in its report filed today with Governor Clarke, strongly urges that a step be taken toward permanent highways by authority for the formation of districts in which may be undertaken the work of building permanent roads under contract, with due regard for the distribution of benefits as between the property owners, the counties and the state. In this way only will it be possible to get at permanent roads.

Eleven Millions Expended. During the last year the road and bridge work done in Iowa under supervision of the highway commission aggregated about \$11,000,000. Of this \$4,000,000 was expended on the county roads, \$3,000,000 on the township roads, and between \$2,500,000 and \$4,000,000 on the bridges and culverts.

The report will show that the cost of the commission and all its supervision over the road work of the state is less than the actual saving in money by reason of the economies secured in road and bridge work, taking into account the better quality. Yet a very large part of the work of the first year and a half has been of a permanent or preliminary character and is such that it will have to be done over again. The county road system of 12,000 miles has been located and mapped, with 2,500 miles yet undecided. The bridge designs prepared at a cost of \$7,500,000 represent structures of estimated cost of \$1,600,000.

Minor Changes Recommended. The commission recommends a number of minor changes in the law. Provision should be made for altering the county road system when that is found to be necessary. The county road system should be extended within city limits and a city road tax be levied for work on these extensions. Officials should be given greater power over removal of weeds and brush from highways. Resolutions of necessity should be for structures costing \$1,000 or over, instead of \$300. Poll taxes should be paid in cash in all instances. Permanent road work should be done on the township roads. It should be possible to form drainage districts for roads.

The situation which faced the commission at the beginning of this year was vastly different from that of a year before. Hostility had disappeared and supply after county turned to the construction of roads on broad lines. Through the force of example in these counties and by reason of an aroused public sentiment it was possible to make a start even in the most backward counties in the state.

The report of the commission is the first report made and it is a complete work showing every detail of the vast business transacted.

YOUNG GIRL BURNED AS RESULT OF EXPLOSION

MASON CITY, Ia., Dec. 7.—(Special Telegram.)—Nellie Carter, 12, is dead and Frances Carter, 15, seriously burned as a result of a kerosene explosion in starting a fire.