

GERMAN RAIDER ROON TAKEN BY BRITISH CRUISER

Alleged Terror of the Atlantic is Reported Captured Off Bermuda After a Running Fight.

MERCHANT SHIP ALSO TAKEN Disabled Cruiser Towed Into Hamilton Harbor by the British Cruiser Drake.

OVER 700 MADE PRISONERS

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Advices received here today assert the German warship Roon, alleged to be the captor of the Appam, has been captured by the British armored cruiser Drake after a three hour fight 20 miles northeast of Bermuda, according to a story printed by the New York Evening Globe.

The capture of the Roon is said by the Globe to have been followed by the seizure of two merchantmen, flying the German flag, one of which was armed.

The story is contained in a message which the Globe states it received in code from a reliable source in Bermuda. The message reads:

"Drake here today towing Roon. Took it 200 knots east northeast Bermuda, three hours running fight. Lost Danforth, eighteen men. Its losses about one-third. Struck as we came aboard. Two merchantmen with it, one armed. Took both, brought here. Berava, an sighting 1000 said: 'Please God, today I will avenge Craddock.' Roon badly knocked about by 5.2. Thirty-two officers and 718 men taken in three prizes."

The Segrave mentioned in the message is supposed to be Captain Segrave, who was with Admiral Craddock when the latter went down with his flagship, the Goodhope, which was sunk in an engagement with a German squadron off Chile.

There is no Danforth among the officers in the British navy list.

Wilson Will Ask Leaders to Agree On Philippine Bill

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—President Wilson probably will call senate and house leaders together soon to agree on the exact terms of the Philippine independence bill, which already has passed the senate and is threatened with amendment in the house. He indicated as much today to the two Philippine commissioners.

The president was told by the commissioners that they approve the bill as passed by the senate with the exception of the clause providing that the president may refer the question of independence back to congress at the end of four years if he thinks the Filipinos unfit for independence. They said they wanted a time set when the Philippines would be free.

Hepburn Funeral At Clarinda Today

CLARINDA, Ia., Feb. 9.—The funeral of Colonel W. P. Hepburn, former congressman, will be held at the Methodist church here at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon and the body will lie in state at the church from 10 a. m. until the hour of the funeral. Burial will be at Clarinda. Many Iowa state officials and former members of the legislature will attend the funeral, as will also Masons from all parts of the state.

JUDGE ATKINSON WILL RETIRE WITHIN MONTH

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—Judge George W. Atkinson of the court of claims today announced that he would retire within the month. Judge Atkinson has passed the age of 70 years and is eligible to retirement. He expects to return to his home in Charleston, W. Va. Many candidates for the place are under consideration by the president and the Department of Justice.

The Weather

Forecast till 7 p. m. Thursday. For Omaha, Council Bluffs and vicinity. Cloudy; rising temperature. Temperature at Omaha Yesterday. Hour. Deg. 5 a. m. 28 6 a. m. 28 7 a. m. 28 8 a. m. 28 9 a. m. 28 10 a. m. 28 11 a. m. 28 12 m. 28 1 p. m. 28 2 p. m. 28 3 p. m. 28 4 p. m. 28 5 p. m. 28 6 p. m. 28 7 p. m. 28 8 p. m. 28 9 p. m. 28

Comparative Local Record. Highest today 28. Lowest today 28. Mean temperature 28. Precipitation 0.00. Excess for the day 0.00. Total deficiency since March 1.00. Normal precipitation 1.00. Deficiency for the day 0.00. Total rainfall since March 1.00. Deficiency since March 1.00. Deficiency cor. period 1911 1.00. Deficiency cor. period 1912 1.00.

Reports from Stations at 7 P. M. Station and State Temp. Rain. Cheyenne, clear 42. Denver, clear 44. Des Moines, cloudy 36. North Platte, clear 38. Omaha, clear 37. Rapid City, clear 34. Sheridan, cloudy 35. Sioux City, clear 34. S. D. 34. T indicates trace of precipitation. L. A. WELLS, Local Forecaster.

LIEUT. HANS BERGE, the German naval officer in command of the prize crew which brought the British-African liner to Newport News, photographed as he stepped ashore.



HUGHES AGAIN ASKS NAME NOT BE USED

Letter to This Effect from Justice of Supreme Court Made Public.

WRITTEN TO CONGRESSMAN

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—Representative Slemm, chairman of the Virginia republican committee, today made public a letter from Justice Hughes declaring:

"I am totally opposed to the use of my name in connection with the nomination and to the selection or instruction of any delegate in my interest directly or remotely."

Justice Hughes' letter, made public with his consent, was in reply to a letter from Mr. Slemm, which informed the justice that Frank H. Hitchcock, postmaster general under President Taft, had inaugurated a movement in the south favoring the justice for the republican presidential nomination.

Letter Advocates Attack. Chairman Slemm's letter said that Mr. Hitchcock had gathered around him the movement in Virginia "a few of his old appointees," among them S. Brown Allen, postmaster at Staunton. Chairman Slemm enclosed a letter which he said which written by Colonel S. Brown Allen to one of Slemm's friends. This letter, Slemm pointed out, advocated an attack on him as state chairman.

"I am not willing that I should be placed in the attitude of opposing you as a candidate for the presidency," Slemm's letter said, "neither do I think it is right for a fight to be inaugurated in our state against me and others, upon the supposition that we oppose you."

Justice Hughes replied: "My dear Mr. Slemm—Your letter of February 3 has been received. I am entirely out of politics and I know nothing of the matters to which you refer. I am totally opposed to the use of my name in connection with the nomination and to the selection or instruction of any delegates in my interest, either directly or remotely. Very sincerely yours, CHAS. E. HUGHES."

The letter which Congressman Slemm enclosed, written by Colonel Allen, was also made public. Allen wrote that he had been called on the long distance telephone from New York by Mr. Hitchcock and advised to go to Richmond to confer with Mr. Cabell.

Senate Passes Naval Resolution and Academy Bill

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—The senate today passed the resolution making \$200,000 available for re-equipping the Mare Island and New York navy yards and the bill increasing by 500 the entrance class at Annapolis naval academy. The measure passed the house Monday, and now goes to President Wilson for his approval.

The naval academy increase bill was passed without debate. The resolution to provide for improvement of the navy yards was discussed briefly by Senator Lodge. He declared the United States had wasted a year and a half in beginning construction of battleships Nos. 43 and 44.

German Seaplanes Britain During Day

LONDON, Feb. 9.—Two German seaplanes raised the coast of Kent today, dropping several bombs. No casualties have been reported.

The following official statement was given out tonight: "At 3:30 today two German seaplanes were reported approaching the coast of Kent. A few minutes later these two seaplanes dropped three bombs in a field on the outskirts of Ramsgate. Four bombs were dropped near a school at Broadstairs. Three of the latter exploded.

Hans Schmidt Must Die Week of Feb. 13

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 9.—Hans Schmidt, the former priest convicted of the murder of Anna Ammiller in New York in September, 1913, must pay the penalty for his crime in the electric chair in Sing Sing prison during the week of February 13, if Governor Whitman does not decline to interfere with the execution.

BOMB CONSPIRACY AN ELABORATE ONE

Many American Firms Are Involved in Plot Exposed in San Francisco.

BARKENTINE MIXED UP IN IT SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 9.—The broadness of the government's proposed prosecution of alleged German bomb and shipping plots, involving German consular officials, shipowners, agents and sellers of supplies, was shown today as details of indictments voted against thirty-two men and firms became known.

Even the little barkentine Retriever, tied to its wharf in the bay, was involved because of an alleged contemplated trip to coal German warships off the heads more than a year ago, in the guise of a motion picture expedition.

Perils of the deep, it was given out, were to be portrayed as never before with the Retriever figuring therein, in front of a camera. Investigation by government agents brought the report to the district attorney's office that the Retriever was full of coal. The necessity of this cargo, on a sailing vessel engaged in a motion picture business, was not evident to the investigators and the Retriever never got away at all. The complete list of those indicted, as made public today, is:

Military Conspiracy Bills. For conspiracy to interfere with commerce under the Sherman anti-trust act and for conspiracy to organize a military expedition.

Frank Bopp, consul general for Germany. Baron Eckhardt H. Von Schack, vice consul general.

Baron George Wilhelm Von Brincken, attaché. Johannes Henryk Van Koerbergen, alleged German agent.

Charles C. Crowley, detective employed by German consulate. Mrs. Margaret W. Cornell, assistant to Crowley.

All these are involved in alleged plots to blow up Canadian tunnels and American powder mills. Shipping Conspiracy Bills. For conspiracy to defraud the government in the alleged shipping plots involving the Retriever, Sacramento, Masatlan and Olson and Mahony!

Henry W. E. Kaufmann, chancellor of the German consulate. Robert Capelle, agent here for the North German-Lloyd Steamship company.

Maurice Hall, consul general for Turkey. John and Joseph Rothschuld, wholesale grocers.

George and James Flood, ship owners and brokers. Philip R. Thayer, president of the Northern & Southern Steamship company.

R. H. Swayne, of Swayne & Hoyt, shipping brokers. John G. Hoyt of same firm.

C. D. Bunker & Co., C. D. Bunker & Co., shipping brokers. Joseph L. Bly of C. D. Bunker & Co.

Captain Frederick H. Hildbrand, ship owner, reported recently killed on a German submarine. Dr. Simon Reimer, reputed German naval officer.

J. E. Bell, attorney. T. A. Anderson, captain of the Sacramento. Benno Klocke, Gustav Traub, Adolph Winchel and T. R. Johansen, all of the Sacramento crew.

George Phillips and Frederick Williams, supposed to be fictitious names. And the following firms: Northern and Southern Steamship company.

C. D. Bunker & Co. Swayne & Hoyt. Counts in Shipping Bills. The specifications in the charge of conspiracy to defraud the government, varying in different instances, are in three groups:

First—Conspiracy to defraud through false manifests. Second—Conspiracy to violate neutrality by making San Francisco a supply base for belligerent ships at sea.

Third—Conspiracy to defeat neutrality by supplying belligerents' ships with stores to which they were not entitled. Some of these indictments supercede former indictments in connection with alleged violations of neutrality by the steamship Sacramento, and it was understood the government would ask dismissal of the earlier charges. They were set for trial February 14.

REPORTS KURDS AMERICAN TO DEATH IN OIL

Borah Sends to Senate Desk Dispatch Telling of Horrible Fate of Missionary in Turkish Persia.

STONE RESENTS ITS READING Declares Attempt Made to Give Armenian Relief Resolution Partisan Color.

IDAHO MAN DEFENDS HIMSELF WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—The senate today adopted a resolution proposed by Senator Lodge requesting the president to set apart a day on which the public might contribute to the relief of distressed Armenians.

During discussion of the resolution Senator Borah sent to the desk a press dispatch from Petrograd, dated January 18, in which Dr. Jacob Stargis, an American Methodist Episcopal medical missionary, who escaped from Urumbah, in Turkish Persia, when threatened by Kurds, told of the death of a Dr. Shimmun, declared to be an American missionary. The dispatch said Dr. Shimmun was burned to death in oil.

Senator Stone, chairman of the foreign relations committee, resented reading of the clipping as an attempt to give the resolution partisan color. Senator Borah declared he simply wanted to accentuate the situation of the Armenians.

Boston Made Base For "Bomb Plots" Against Canadians

MONTREAL, Quebec, Feb. 9.—Federal authorities were engaged today with reports that Boston was being used by German sympathizers as a base for the direction of hostile activities in Canada. Today for the first time it was admitted by a government employe that typewritten copies were made of dictagraph records alleged to have been obtained at a meeting place of the men under suspicion.

According to the reports, which led to the admission, the movements of about 100 men were watched, with the result that a dictagraph was installed in a bank street office to determine if any of these men were conspiring to commit acts of war against Canada.

George W. Anderson, United States district attorney, went to Washington Monday and was followed yesterday by Edmund Billings, collector of the port.

Major Mackay on his arrival went into immediate conference with the city heads and the city hall was placed in a state suggesting siege. A squad of police was placed on duty in and around the building, while quantities of new hose were brought to supplement the regular fire-fighting apparatus. All valuable papers were transferred to fireproof safes.

Quakers Protest Against Increase in Armaments

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—The house military committee began executive sessions today to draft the army bill, after hearing a delegation from the Society of Friends, headed by William R. Hull of Swarthmore college, which told the committee that war and preparation for war were morally wrong in their view, and urged that international disagreements be settled by judicial means, the United States leading in a world movement to that end.

President Sharpless of Haverford college counseled that congress move slowly in entering upon a military policy which he thought at variance with American ideals.

General Strike of Jewelry Workers in New York Called

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—A general strike of the jewelry workers in New York City was called at a meeting early today attended by more than 1,600 members of the union. The jewelers demand an eight-hour day. They are all highly paid workers and the question of pay does not enter into the present trouble. The strike call affects about 300 shops and 2,500 employes. In some of the shops a readiness is made for the abolition of the piece work system.

Germany Sends 600,000 Men to Belgian Front

LONDON, Feb. 9.—Reiterating the report that large numbers of German troops have been transferred recently to northern France, the Amsterdam correspondent of the Central News telegraphs that it is reported from the Belgian frontier that 600,000 men have been sent to that front. The message also says the Germans are planning to extend their Belgian port of Zebrugge so that it will shelter more ships.

Two Zeppelins Lost During Air Raid on Paris

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 9.—The Echo Belgen publishes a report that two Zeppelins have been lost near Aphain Hainault. The first collided with a tree top while returning from a raid on Paris on January 24. The second was brought down by a French airplane within a few miles of the same place.

DESERTS THE DANCING FLOOR FOR THE AIR—Vernon Castle, standing beside his aeroplane. Castle has been studying at an aviation school and, when granted a pilot's license, will return to England, his native country, and present himself for service in the Royal Flying corps.



FORTY THOUSAND SEWERS ON STRIKE

Needleworkers Employed in Making Women's Garments in New York District Called Out.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—While little or no disorder was anticipated in connection with a strike, effective at 2 o'clock this afternoon of needle workers said to number 40,000, plans were outlined at a conference at police headquarters this morning for effective methods of patrolling the shop districts. The workers received formal notice from their leaders through circulars distributed while they were on their way to work. Three girls were arrested charged with acting in a disorderly manner while handing out these notices.

GERMANS CAPTURE FRENCH TRENCHES

Berlin Reports Storming of Eight Hundred Yards of First Line Positions.

BERLIN, Feb. 9.—(Via London.)—Capture of the first line French positions over a front of 800 yards to the west of Vimy was announced today by the war office.

The text of the statement follows: "While the theater west of Vimy, 200 miles northeast of Paris, has seen an extension of 80 meters, securing more than 100 prisoners and five machine guns. South of the Somme, the French again penetrated during the evening a small German trench section.

"In Bois Le Pretre an enemy aeroplane was shot down by our infantry. It fell in flames, its two occupants despoiled. Eastern theater: Minor Russian attacks, made in the neighborhood of Ilokhat, northeast of Polotsk and against the field guard post that was captured on the sixth on the Baranovichi-Lyakhovichi railway were repulsed.

"Balkan theater: The situation is unchanged. The German attack was made near the western end of the French front, a short distance below the Belgian border in the region which has been the scene of pronounced activity recently.

Vimy is two miles northeast of Neuville, near which town the Germans late last month made an infantry attack, capturing as reported by Berlin, about 1,500 yards of French positions.

Teiper Pleads Not Guilty to Charge of Slaying Mother

BUFFALO, N. Y., Feb. 9.—An indictment charging John Edward Teiper with murder in the first degree was returned by the Erie county grand jury today.

Teiper is charged with slaying of his mother, Mrs. Agnes M. Teiper, who, with his brother, Frederick C. Teiper, was killed on the Orchard Park highway on January 3.

There were two counts in the indictment to which Teiper pleaded not guilty when arraigned. Application for bail was denied. The indictment charges that Mrs. Teiper was killed "with a revolver, a hammer, a blunt instrument and other instruments unknown to the grand jury."

CLEARY HEADS GRAND ISLAND COMMERCIAL CLUB

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Feb. 9.—(Special.)—At the annual meeting of the directors of the Commercial club, J. L. Cleary was elected president. Oscar Veit, vice president; James Williams, treasurer, and A. M. Conner secretary. The latter has been the paid secretary of the club for the last five years. The club is at the present time interested mostly in its good roads program, and it is hoped that the building of another mile of cement country road immediately west of the city on the Lincoln highway can be accomplished during the ensuing year.

A. C. EPPERSON WISHES TO BE DELEGATE-AT-LARGE

CLAY CENTER, Neb., Feb. 9.—(Special.)—Ambrose C. Epperson of Clay county has announced that he will be a candidate for delegate-at-large to the republican national convention at Chicago at the April primary.

THORNE CHARGES BRANDEIS GUILTY OF INFIDELITY

Iowa Railroad Commissioner is the First Witness in Senate Committee Hearing on the Nomination.

CALLS IT BREACH OF FAITH Says Attorney for Shippers Conceded Main Point in Case in His Argument.

GREATEST CASE OF GENERATION WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—Investigation of President Wilson's nomination of Louis D. Brandeis of Boston to the supreme court bench was begun today by a senate sub-committee, which first heard Clifford Thorne chairman of the Iowa board of railroad commissioners, who was associated with Mr. Brandeis in the fight against giving the eastern railroads increased freight rates.

Mr. Thorne assailed the conduct of Mr. Brandeis in that case. "I believe the nominee before this committee was guilty of infidelity of breach of faith and of unprofessional conduct in connection with one of the greatest cases of this generation," he said.

Mr. Thorne charged that Mr. Brandeis, as an attorney appearing for the shippers, conceded that the rate return to the railroads was inadequate and that Mr. Brandeis, in his opening oral argument to the Interstate Commerce commission conceded that the return was inconsistent with the propriety of the railroads and welfare of the public.

"I was simply dumbfounded," declared Mr. Thorne. At the beginning of the hearing the sub-committee voted down a proposal to have the full committee hear the case. That was regarded by some as a first victory for Mr. Brandeis on the ground that the sub-committee was favorable and the full committee, however, will act on the sub-committee's report and senators who are not on one side or the other professed to see no particular significance in the action.

Mr. Thorne's testimony. Mr. Thorne told of his connection with shippers and state railroad commissioners' organizations opposing increase in freight rates to the eastern roads before the Interstate Commerce commission in 1910 and 1911. He said he was first asked to participate in the case by Mr. Brandeis. Mr. Thorne declined, but later agreed when Mr. Henry Martin of Kansas withdrew from the case to become vice-governor of the Philippines.

The Interstate Commerce commission, he said, indicated the fundamental question to be determined was: "Are the railroads entitled to more revenue and if so, where shall the revenue be secured?"

Then Mr. Thorne stated that his appearance before the committee was not at his own instance, but at the request of Chairman Chilton.

"At the outset two facts stand out, it appears to me," Mr. Thorne declared. "In the first place I believe the nominee before this committee was guilty of infidelity, of breach of faith and of unprofessional conduct in connection with one of the greatest cases of this generation.

"In the second place, in open court hearing, while acting as special counsel, Mr. Brandeis committed himself to the proposition that the net return of 7 1/2 per cent above all expenses, all interest on debts, on capital stock of railroads was inadequate, or to use his own word 'negligible.' This had been held adequate by the commission in 1910."

Reveals Big Rate Cases. Mr. Thorne said he was unable to say how far he should go into details, but began a review of proceedings in the big rate cases. Mr. Brandeis, he said, characterized his testimony as "wonderful" and suggested it be published at once so the public could see the other side to the question.

Mr. Thorne said he suggested that Mr. Brandeis and in view of his intimate relations with Senator La Follette, might get the testimony printed as a public document.

Mr. Thorne interrupted his narrative to say that in the 1910 case Mr. Brandeis had limited his activities to showing "if (Continued on Page Two, Column Two.)

Mundelein Heads Largest Archdiocese

CHICAGO, Feb. 9.—Most Rev. G. W. George W. Mundelein, who today took the investiture as archbishop of the Chicago diocese at Holy Name cathedral here, becomes head of the largest and one of the most wealthy archdioceses in the United States.

He assumed on behalf of the bishopric the ownership of property worth approximately \$50,000,000.

He holds religious authority over 700 priests and has executive control of 40 churches and missions, 250 colleges, academies, parochial schools and other educational institutions and nearly fifty hospitals, asylums and similar enterprises.

The Day's War News

NEW GAINS FOR THE GERMANS in the region between Lens and Arras, not far south of the Belgian border, were announced today by Berlin, which reports the capture of first line French positions along nearly a half mile front on the west of Vimy.

THE GAINS WERE MADE ON ground over which the French advanced by the allied offensive of last September and near the area northeast of Neville-St. Vaast, in which the Germans, late in January, reported the storming of 1,500 yards of French positions.

FROM THE BALKANS comes news indicating that there is no longer the former apparent unanimity of opinion that the Teutonic allies are shortly to begin an advance on Salonika. The full committee is one official quarter that the Teutonic allies are preparing to take the offensive.

HARDING IS CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR OF IOWA

SIoux CITY, Ia., Feb. 9.—Lieutenant Governor W. L. Harding of Sioux City, today announced his candidacy for the republican nomination for governor of Iowa.