

FRENCH ADMIRAL ISSUES STATEMENT

U. S. Navy, Second in World, Will Be Big Factor in Winning War.

ARRANGES JOINT ACTION

Washington, May 2.—Vice Admiral Chocheprat, representing the ministry of marine in the French mission here, issued a statement today which, in part, follows:

"The United States is in possession of the most powerful fleet in the world next to the British and this is bound to weigh heavily in hastening the day when final victory will be wrung from the foe.

"You must not expect me to discuss in detail our general war plans, especially as regards our campaign against enemy submarines. I need only say that that is a question claiming priority above all others.

Arranging for Co-Operation.

"You will understand that I have fully and frankly explained these problems to your high naval officials. I have every reason to hope that we shall succeed in establishing the closest possible co-operation between the American and allied navies for the assurance of the freedom of the seas, the protection of trade and the triumph of our rights."

Conferences between the members of the mission and representatives of the United States continued.

Britons May Come West.

The British mission expects to be here at least ten days longer. Then the party will leave for New York and possibly a short trip into the middle west.

Several experts will remain permanently in Washington to help work out the arrangements agreed upon and to reinforce the staff of the British embassy. Included would probably be a shipping, munitions, food and trade expert.

Captain Harris Of Ship Vacuum Lands in Safety

Liverpool, May 2.—Captain Harris of the Vacuum reports that eighteen men of his crew were lost. Eight gunners and eighteen members of the crew were saved.

Lieutenant Thomas, United States navy, lost his life by the sinking of the Vacuum, according to a telegram received from Captain Harris from the American consul here, H. L. Washington.

Captain Harris also reports that one H. Loree died of exposure after being landed and that A. Donald, J. E. Fischer and C. F. Luckman were lost.

Loree, Donald, Fischer and Luckman were members of the United States naval guard on the Vacuum. The following naval gunners from the Vacuum have been saved: James E. Williams, John Williams, George W. Parker, Oswald H. Lucke, Henry J. Mussborn, jr.

Members of Crew Lost. The following members of the crew were lost: Frank J. Torrey, second mate, naturalized Briton, New York; John Kinn, chief engineer, naturalized Briton, New York; Francis J. Hayden, assistant engineer, naturalized Briton, New York; W. H. Smith, steward, British; Thomas E. Lee, mess boy, American; S. Flanagan, quartermaster, British; Peter Williams, Chilean; S. Bink, American; A. Orlin, American; R. Toppis, American; E. Viscotti, American; W. Garver, American; J. Tompkins, American; L. K. Hershenson, American; B. Quinn, American; A. Pascula, American; D. Dohlanoff, American; J. Miller, a cook, (may be Joe Miller, Brooklyn).

Picked Up by Patrol Boat.

London, May 2.—Nine survivors, including Captain S. S. Harris, from the American oil tank steamer Vacuum which was sunk by a German submarine Saturday have been landed. This makes twenty-seven men saved from a total of forty-five aboard the vessel.

Captain Harris wired to the offices of the Vacuum company that he with Third Mate E. D. Husted of Mount Vernon, N. Y., the boatswain, and six gunners were picked up by a patrol boat and landed.

Omaha Man Is Nephew of Inventor of Whitehead Torpedo

The big Whitehead torpedo on exhibition in the Burgess-Nash store windows has more than a passing war interest for John W. Fead, bookkeeper in the office of the city controller.

It was Mr. Fead's uncle who invented this torpedo, which is the type now in use by all first-class powers.

John Whitehead is the man who invented this torpedo, the first really workable, self-propelling torpedo. He was a Scotchman and was dubbed a knight by Queen Victoria for his services in perfecting this engine of death.

The Omaha man's mother was John Whitehead's sister, and the Omaha man was named for the inventor. His full name is John Whitehead Fead.

Logan Red Cross Workers Raise Two Hundred Dollars

Logan, Ia., May 2.—(Special Telegram.)—Dr. C. S. Kenned, has deposited at Council Bluffs \$208 and a list of 196 names with the Red Cross chapter at Council Bluffs.

Omaha War News

Vincent Ayres, Deadwood, S. D., joined the navy as hospital apprentice Wednesday. He belonged to the Boy Scouts and won prizes in first aid work.

Knud Peter Eviad Knudsen, 33, once lived in Denmark and learned to hate the kaiser because of seizure of Danish territory. Later Knud served in the Danish navy as torpedo handler, before he came to Gordon, Neb., to live. Wednesday he joined the navy as machinist's mate.

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days. Druggists refund money if Pazo Ointment fails to cure Hemorrhoids, Blind, Bleeding or Prolapsing Piles. First application relieves. Advertisement.

BRITISH WAR DEBT 4 BILLION POUNDS

Andrew Bonar Law Tells House of Commons 822,000,000 Pounds to Allies.

TO REQUISITION SHIPS

London, May 2.—Andrew Bonar Law, chancellor of the exchequer, in his speech introducing the fourth war budget in the House of Commons today, said that since the beginning of the war £822,000,000 had been advanced to Great Britain's allies and £142,000,000 to its dominions.

The national debt, he said, stands at £3,854,000,000, less advances to the allies and dominions.

The total of the 5 per cent war loan, the chancellor announced, was £966,048,000, and of the 4 1/2 per cent loan £821,000,000. War savings certificates had produced more than £72,000,000.

During the war, the chancellor added, the national expenditures had been £4,438,000,000, of which £1,137,000,000 was out of the revenue.

The tobacco duty, Mr. Bonar Law stated, would be increased 1s 10d per pound and the excess profits tax raised from 60 to 80 per cent. The 80 per cent excess profits tax was effective from January 1 last, he said.

The government, continued the chancellor, would requisition all ships and by this means it would take the excessive shipping profits.

U. S. Loans to France and Italy.

Washington, May 2.—Loans by the United States government of \$100,000,000 each to France and Italy will be made immediately and will bring the total advanced to the allies to date to \$400,000,000.

Other contemplated loans may bring the total advance to the allies up to \$1,250,000,000 before proceeds are available from the first offering of bonds under the war finance act.

Girl Walks Out Of Own Door and Man Seizes Her

Attacked by a man ten feet from her home, Esther M. Abbott, 17 years old, daughter of Frank Abbott, a junior in Central High school and prominent in the younger social set, is in a critical condition at her home, 117 North Twenty-sixth street.

Miss Abbott Tuesday night shortly after supper opened the kitchen door and as she stepped outside was accosted by a powerfully built man.

"Is there anything you want," she asked him.

"Yes, you." Suddenly he seized her and stuffed a handkerchief in her mouth. Miss Abbott fought with all her strength to break away from the man who was dragging her to a shed in the rear. In her struggle she managed to tear the handkerchief from her mouth and frantically screamed for help.

Her mother and father and neighbor women rushed to her assistance, but the man escaped them. Miss Abbott fainted shortly after and did not regain consciousness for nearly an hour.

Detectives Chapman, Cunningham and Police Sergeant Russell searched the neighborhood and arrested John Frahm, painter, 2515 Dodge street.

"That's the man," Miss Abbott screamed upon seeing Frahm. She fainted immediately after and is in a hysterical condition. Others also identified Frahm.

Frahm was arraigned in police court yesterday on the charge of committing assault with felonious intent. He waived preliminary examination and was bound over to the district court under bonds of \$1,500.

Miss Abbott, his alleged victim, was in court with her mother.

Police Await Mystery Man To Identify Prisoners

Twelve men, all arrested as suspects in the murder of Druggist Smith Saturday night, were lined up before John A. Lee, messenger, 2702 South Nineteenth street. He picked out Fred Miner, 1110 Farnam. While he did not say that Miner was one of the three slayers of Smith, he said the suspect resembled him so much that he was "almost positive."

C. V. Warfield said he was so nervous and excited that he could not identify the men if he saw them.

The "Man of Mystery," upon whose information the twelve were arrested, failed to show up at headquarters.

Lee is the man who met the bandits at the door as they were escaping from the drug store.

Bill to Pool American War Risks With Allies

Washington, May 2.—Pooling of American war risk insurance with the allies is proposed in an administration bill introduced today.

American ships and cargoes would be reinsured by the allies and the United States would reinsure allied ships and cargoes.

An appropriation of \$25,000,000 is to be asked, which will include insurance on the lives of seamen on American merchant ships.

Liability for loss of life would be placed between \$1,500 and \$5,000, with proportionate indemnity for injuries. Owners of all vessels insured by the government would be required to take out insurance upon the lives of officers and crew.

GIRL WHO DISAPPEARED NOW ON STAGE.



MISS ALMA KNIGHT.

MISS ALMA KNIGHT IN MUSICAL COMEDY

Omaha Girl Who Disappeared Three Years Ago Now on Stage in Ohio.

PLAYS SOUBRETTE PARTS

Miss Alma Knight, pretty 22-year-old seminary graduate, who disappeared from the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Knight, Twentieth and California streets, three years ago, has been located.

She is playing this week at Massillon, O., in a tabloid musical comedy, as soubrette, under the name of Gwendolyn LeMars. The company consists of fifteen members, twelve being chorus girls.

When Miss Knight disappeared her parents feared she had met with foul play. Several other girls of her age also were reported missing about the same time. Miss Knight's disappearance was shrouded in mystery and caused a sensation.

An attempt made by The Bee to notify the girl's parents met with failure. They moved away soon after her disappearance and neighbors asserted they left the city.

Discovery of Miss Knight's whereabouts was made by Miss Anna Hill, who is playing a vaudeville engagement there. Miss Hill appears in burlesque here. In a letter to a Bee reporter she says:

"I got homesick for Omaha this week when I met Alma Knight, known on the stage as Gwendolyn LeMars. Her home is in Omaha. She is playing a soubrette part in a 'tab' turkey show here. We had quite a talk about Omaha. She said she knew you."

Socialists Sing Revolutionary Song as They March by Palace

Amsterdam (Via London), May 2.—An orderly socialist May day procession was held today. Banners carried by the marchers bore inscriptions calling for peace and the maintenance of Holland's neutrality.

As the May day procession passed the royal palace the marchers intoned the "Internationale," the hymn of the international socialists. The police did not interfere.

There also was a socialist May day procession at Rotterdam, in which Russians, Poles, Germans and Belgians participated and sang songs in their respective languages. The Russians carried red banners, inscribed, "Long live the Russian republic," and "Long live the proletariat!"

Treasury Employees Are Urged to Give to Red Cross

Chicago, May 2.—Employees of the treasury department in Chicago are asked to contribute part of their salaries to the Red Cross in a circular letter from Secretary McAdoo. Every employee receiving a salary of \$1,000 or less is asked to contribute 50 cents, each receiving a salary of \$1,000 to \$2,000 to contribute \$1, and each employe and official receiving a higher salary to contribute \$2.

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GOMPERS WARNED AGAINST PLOTTERS

Labor Chief Testifies He Advised Former Congressmen to Shun Pro-German Associates.

TESTIMONY HITS RINTELEN

New York, May 2.—Efforts to embroil this country with Mexico and Japan so as to stop the shipment of munitions from the United States to the entente allies were by his own assertion made by Captain Franz Rintelen of the German navy, according to testimony given here today at his trial on a charge of conspiracy with seven other men. Americans, to foment strikes in munition factories and on docks.

The testimony was given by John C. Hammond, an advertising man, who said Rintelen came to him with a plan to carry on a pro-German publicity campaign, details of which he gave the Department of Justice at the time.

Gompers Testifies. Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, testified that he warned former Representative Frank Buchanan, one of the defendants, that he ought not to associate with some of the men, since indicted and now on trial with Buchanan. Mr. Gompers said this warning was given in Atlantic City in the spring of 1915.

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Turks Again Set Foot in Mush, Which Russ Evacuate

Constantinople, Tuesday, May 1 (Via London, May 2).—The evacuation by the Russians of Mush, in Turkish Armenia, is announced by the war office. The town has been occupied by the Turks.

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