

U. S. DESTROYER SHAW RAMMED AND CUT IN TWO

Fifteen Drowned or Burned to Death After Collision; 25 Survivors Arrive in New York.

New York, Nov. 15.—In the collision between the United States destroyer Shaw and the British liner Aquitania in European waters October 9, as announced by the Navy department two days later, the naval vessel was cut squarely in two, 35 feet aft of the bow, and the forward section sank immediately, the other section catching fire, it was learned here today with the arrival of the Aquitania, carrying 25 survivors of the Shaw.

Other destroyers rushed to the scene and when they took the burning section in tow the influx of water quenched the flames. The Navy department's announcement said 15 lives were lost.

The survivors on the Melita, a Canadian Pacific line steamship, said the Shaw was one of a number of destroyers conveying a big fleet carrying American troops to an English port.

The fleet was steaming on a zig-zag course. At 5.45 a. m. the steering gear of the Shaw jammed while she was running at a 35-knot speed and the destroyer failed to answer her helm. Her course was directly across the bow of the on-coming Aquitania, a unit in the fleet. The Aquitania's bow struck the Shaw like a monster knife, the survivors said, passing through her just forward of the bridge and not seeming to lose any headway.

The forward part of the Shaw, in which some of the crew were asleep, remained afloat 20 minutes. Some of the men jumped overboard and were picked up uninjured.

In the collision one of the Shaw's oil tanks was penetrated and the aft section of the destroyer burst into flames below deck under the bridge.

Some of those who perished, including one of the officers, were burned to death and others were drowned when the forward part sank.

The aft section was towed into port, where 26 of the men, suffering with burns and from immersion, were removed to a hospital.

Democrats to Contest Election of Two New Republican Senators

Washington, Nov. 15.—Contests of the election of two republican senators—Truman H. Newberry of Michigan and George H. Moses of New Hampshire—were forecast in proceedings today before the senate privileges and elections committee. Protests against the seating of both, elected on the face of the returns, were received by the committee, which deferred action.

Papal Under-Secretary of State on Way to U. S.

Rome, Nov. 15.—Monsignor Cerretti, papal under-secretary of state, left last night for America. New York, Nov. 15.—While no information regarding the purpose of Monsignor Cerretti's forthcoming visit to this country has been received from Rome, beyond the fact that he has been sent on a special mission, it is generally believed here that he will report to the Vatican regarding affairs in the archdiocese of New York, where a successor to the late Cardinal Farley as archbishop is to be appointed.

A recuperative diet in influenza. Horlick's Malted Milk, very digestible.—Adv.

EARLY DATE SET FOR OPENING OF PEACE MEETING

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Carnegie Endowment for universal peace, and also a participant in the last conference at The Hague, is believed to be under consideration as secretary for the American commission. There will, of course, be at least two assistant secretaries and a considerable number of attaches and clerks.

If congress is to be represented on the commission as was the case at the Paris conference of 1898, when peace treaties between the United States and Spain were drawn, the fact has not yet been developed. On the contrary, it was said that there is a decided disinclination to involve the legislative branch of the government in any way in the work of constructing treaties, which is regarded as a purely executive function under the terms of the constitution. It also was today recalled that the senate itself, not many years ago, recorded its formal objection to the appointment by the president of any of its members as commissioners to negotiate agreements which must afterwards come before it for approval.

None has been taken by officials here of the demand by certain socialistic elements, not only in Europe but in America, to have labor to participate in the peace congress. Officials were understood to hold that to recognize labor in this way would be to establish class distinctions, which would be thoroughly un-American. On the other hand it was said that by the appointment to the peace commission of a man such as Justice Brandeis, for instance, known to be an ardent friend and champion of labor at all times, the interests of the working classes would be sure of conservation.

It was made plain today that the selection of Secretary Lansing to head the American commission is not to be taken as an indication of his purpose to resign his present office. In his absence, Counsellor Frank L. Polk is expected to act as secretary of state.

Begin Informal Discussions.

Paris, Nov. 15.—(By Associated Press.)—Meetings of representatives of the associated governments beginning today will be largely informal, consisting chiefly of conferences of foreign ministers, rather than of premiers, with a view to reaching a common understanding on international questions and definitely arranging the program of the peace congress.

One of the first conferences held today was at the residence of Colonel House, the head of the American delegation, where Foreign Minister Sonnino of Italy spent some time. It was expected that Foreign Secretary Balfour of Great Britain would arrive later.

The Weather

Comparative Local Record. 1918, 1917, 1916, 1915. Highest yesterday, lowest yesterday, mean temperature, precipitation, etc.

United Lutherans Pledge Their Support in Warfare on Vice

New York, Nov. 15.—The Lutheran Church in America, an amalgamation of three Lutheran bodies, was incorporated here today. More than 1,000 delegates from this country and Canada ratified the merger.

Rev. Dr. Frederick H. Knobel of New York was elected president, Rev. Dr. G. Scherer of Charleston, S. C. secretary and Clarence D. Miller of Philadelphia, treasurer. Resolutions were adopted pledging "the fullest support of the United Lutheran Church in America to the government of the United States to meet the problems of vice which threaten the physical and spiritual welfare of the boys and girls and men and women of the United States."

The delegates were urged by Captain Eugene L. Swan, representing Secretary of War Baker, to aid in combating bolshevik propaganda in this country.

Power of Premier Lloyd George Coming to Test in Britain

London, Nov. 15.—The issue in the coming elections is whether the country will endorse Lloyd George's proposal that the present coalition government, with himself as premier, shall be continued after the war for the work of making peace and carrying on the labor of reconstruction.

The electoral reform bill adopted by Parliament during the summer of 1917 virtually doubled the number of voters. It gave the ballot to all women over 30, men over 21 and soldiers under 21. This added 6,000,000 females and 2,000,000 males to the voting lists. How the women will vote and what parties the soldiers will support none can predict.

"If you wish quick results, the advertising columns of The Bee are what 'bring home the bacon'."

Omaha Men in New York City to Attend Merger of Lutheran Synods

New York, N. Y., Nov. 15.—(Special)—Many Nebraska delegates are here attending the ceremonies marking the merger of the General Synod, General Council and General Synod, South, of the Lutheran church into one body with more than 1,500,000 communicant members.

From Omaha Revs. S. H. Yerian, Luther M. Kuhns and O. D. Baltzy and Messrs W. D. Morton and F. Thielke are here. Others from Nebraska who are here are Rev. M. E. Bollinger of Auburn, Rev. C. E. Sparks of York, A. Hopkins of Wilbur and George H. Haase of Emerson.

John L. Zimmerman of Springfield, O., and Simon D. Fess, congressman from Ohio, delivered addresses at the brotherhood meeting in the Waldorf-Astoria hotel.

Besides those mentioned from Nebraska, there are 12 delegates present from the German Nebraska synod, including Prof. Klotz of Lincoln, and Rev. Mr. Schmidt of Papillion. There is a total of 1,200 delegates from the three bodies, besides many hundreds of visitors from all parts of the United States.

Socialists Storm New State Council in Vienna

Paris, Nov. 15.—Socialists stormed the Austrian Parliament building in Vienna Wednesday and tried to enter the chamber where the new state council was in session. Shots were fired before order could be restored and 20 persons in the crush outside the building were injured, according to dispatches reaching here.

A party of socialists occupied the offices of Neue Freie Presse and brought out special editions advocating the establishment of a socialist republic, as in Germany.

Oklahoma Tornado Kills Two Women, Injures 20

Fort Smith, Ark., Nov. 15.—Two women, named Simpson and Smith, are reported dead and 20 other white persons injured as a result of a tornado which late today struck Prague, Okla., west of here. Every member of the Fancher family is reported seriously injured. About 20 buildings, including a church, are said to have been demolished.

Nebraska Senator Proposes to Abolish Rule of Seniority

Washington, Nov. 15.—A move to abolish the rule of seniority by which senators of long service may have their choice of several committee chairmanships was made today by Senator Norris of Nebraska, republican, who proposed that after March 4, 1919, when the republicans expect to obtain control, senators made chairmen of the finance, foreign relations, military, naval and other important committees, shall not be eligible to membership on other committees.

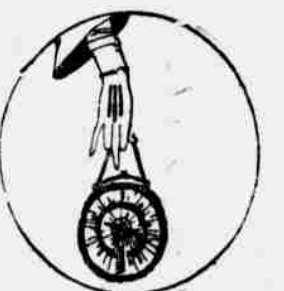
In explaining his resolution, Senator Norris said his amendment would break up the practice of domination of legislation in conferences by a few senators who are senior on virtually all important committees.

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Every section has its holiday message ready in concrete form awaiting your approving word.

Whether or not you have set limitations upon your expenditures, each collection, we believe, is prepared to meet your views perfectly, for no gift is small that "bears the imprint of good taste," and no gift, big or little, is really in the spirit of Christmas that is not chosen with care.

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Coats, furs, headwear of the smartest sort for small folks, who like to be distinctive in their dress. Mothers find shopping here a real pleasure and, best of all, economical.

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Headwear includes such delightful styles as hats and bonnets of black plush and velvet. For babies there are bonnets of white silk crepe de chine and corduroy for 65c, 85c and \$1 and more.

A SPECIAL VALUE—Children's velvet bonnets in brown, navy and cope blue and extra values for \$1.

Children's Wear Section—Third Floor.

The Thompson-Belden Store

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Gloves for Street And Driving Wear

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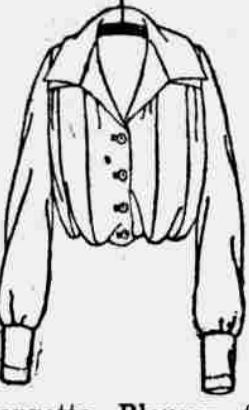
So Many Women Are Making Shades

Lamp Shades for the home and for gift purposes. A pleasing occupation of quite unlimited scope. Shades can and do express your individual ideas as nothing else can. Join one of our classes now and learn this fascinating art of shade making.

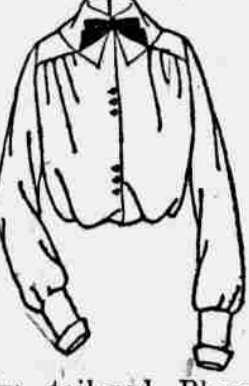
We have a splendid selection of frames of every size and shape, besides all of the necessary materials for the work, including novelty silks for coverings, lining silks, gold braids, fringes, in fact everything you will require. When materials are selected in the art department there is no charge made for instructions in making.

The Blouse Store

Spare a moment or two Saturday in seeing for yourself how charming are the new blouses, and every occasion and every purse.



Georgette Blouses for Milady who desires the best. Real laces, hand embroidery and every detail of finish have been carefully attended to—\$15, \$17.50, \$22.50, \$25 to \$39.50.



Trim tailored Blouses of heavy crepe de chine express a new note of smartness—\$6.95, \$8.50, \$9.50, \$10.50. Second Floor



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Fox, Lynx, Moleskin, Hudson Seal, Mink, Marten, Beaver, Sable, Nutria and Australian Opossum

The latest arrivals will have their first showing on Saturday. There are suitable pieces and garments for every purpose. You'll appreciate some new coats of beautiful Hudson seal for \$95 and \$119.50.

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- Suits \$34.50, \$44.50, \$53.50 to \$135. Dresses \$34.50, \$51.50, \$67.50 to \$125. Coats \$29.50, \$35, \$39.50 to \$195.



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