WARNING SIGNALS TO TENNESSEE MEN IGNORED, IS REPORT

Turkish Minister's Explanation of Shots Fired at American Launch Satisfactory to State Department.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—The launch from the American cruiser Tennessee which attempted to enter the closed harbor of Smyrna was signaled that it was approaching a mine field before shots were fired as a warning, according to the explanation of the Turkish Minister of War to American Ambassador Morgenthau. This was announced by Secretary Bryan last night.

Mr. Bryan said he had received from Mr. Morgenthau a note addressed to the Ambassador by the Turkish Minister of War, recording a previous conversation with reference to the Tennessee incident.

In explaining the incident to Ambassador Morgenthau the Turkish Minister of War said it was necessary for the Turkish officials to fire three shots of warning when the Tennessee's launch approached. The commander of Smyrna, Morgenthau reported, first ordered two blank shots of warning fired.

"The Turkish sentinel after waiting two minutes," Morgenthau said, "was obliged to fire the third shot in another direction from that of the launch, which latter shot was merely to prevent the helmsman of the launch from holding his course, which would lead directly on to the mines at the entrance of the port, and to rescue him from a very certain danger. The commander of Smyrna expresses very great regret that such an obligation was presented to the sentinel of the port, which he attributes to the indifference of the helmsman of the launch."

"The explanation just received from the Turkish Minister of War, through Ambassador Morgenthau, regarding the firing on the launch of the Tennessee is satisfactory to the United States," Mr. Bryan admitted today. "The incident is now closed."

BLIZZARD IN THE VOSGES LEADS TO INFORMAL TRUCE

Storm Halts Military Operations, While Soldiers Suffer.

PARIS, Nov. 27.

A heavy snow storm that began on Wednesday in Alsace had spread to the west of the Vosges today and was developing into a blizzard on the higher plateaus. Reports received at the headquarters in Paris stated that, while the storm continues in this region, military operations on a large scale will be impossible. Present indications point to the most severe winter in 13 years.

The troops, both French and German, are already suffering severely, and at many points a truce has been effected, though no official agreement as to ans armistice has been reached.

NINE BRIDES ON TRAIN

Leave Elkton, Where They Were Married, on "Honeymoon Express."

ELKTON, Md., Nov. 27.—The "honeymoon express," leaving Elkton today over the Pennsylvania Railroad, carried nine young couples who had been married by the Rev. Drs. Quigg and McElmoyle. They were:

David P. Adams and Mae E. Shannon, and Charles G. Barth and Dorothy E. Wilson, Philadelphia; Clarence S. Sames and Florence J. Seizer, Bethlehem; John W. Anderson and Mary Kane, Camden, N. J.; Lorenzo D. W. Lewis, Merchantville, and Elsie Davis, Brown's Mills, N. J.; Orrie A. Yohn and Marie L. Krels, Milton, Pa.; Charles R. Davis and Orgley H. Chandler, Dagsboro, Del.; Frank A. Clark, Collingswood, and Maybelle Cruford, Atlantic City, and William T. Pierson and Emma G. Satterfield, Wilmington, Del.

BITES HER HAND, THEN RUNS

New Jersey Woman Reports Attack by Strange Man.

NEWARK, N. J., Nov. 27.—Mrs. Elizabeth Hamilton, of 410 Bank street, reported to the police that she was attacked by a man she had never seen before when she was about to enter her home early this morning.

She said the man bit her two hands, then became frightened by her cries and ran away.

GERMAN CASUALTIES 612,885

Complete List Will Total a Million, London Reports.

LONDON, Nov. 27.

A Copenhagen dispatch to the Evening News says that the German list of casualties issued today gives a total of 612,885.

The list does not include 64 Bavarian, 62 Saxony and 64 Wurttemberg lists, which would bring the total casualties to at least 1,000,000.

LINER LUSITANIA SAFE

Reports by Wireless She Will Reach New York This Afternoon.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.

A wireless message received by the Cunard Steamship Company from the Lusitania this morning announced that the ship would reach Ambrose channel lightship about 3:30 o'clock this afternoon, and wheather permitting, would reach her dock between 6 and 7 o'clock this evening.

The liner was due last night, and her failure to report had occasioned some uneasiness, as it was announced on Wednesday that the German cruiser Karlsruhe was seeking to intercept and trap the Cunarder.

CHAUFFEUR HELD BY JURY

Drove Motortruck That Killed Man at Street Crossing.

A chauffeur who ran down and killed Patrick H. Lennon, of 5642 Morton street, November 19, at 5th street and Wyoming avenue, with a motor truck, was held without bail for the Grand Jury today at the Coroner's inquest into Lennon's death.

The chauffeur is Carmeli Gort, of 635 Jackson avenue, New York. It was testified that he was driving his truck on the wrong side of the street when Lennon started to cross and failed to note his approach.

CITY TREASURY STATEMENT

Receipts in Week Ending Wednesday Night Were $382,668.

Receipts at the City Treasury during the week ending Wednesday night amounted to $382,668.28, with payment during the same period aggregating $455,343.70. The amount in the Treasury Wednesday night, not including the sinking fund account, was $15,131,683.18.

CRIPPLED MAN SAVED BY A CHILD AT FIRE

Eight-year-old Joseph Hudson Leads His Father to Street.

JOSEPH HUDSON
Boy of 10, who rescued crippled father from fire.

Quick action by 8-year-old Joseph Hudson, Jr., probably saved his crippled father from suffocation during a fire this morning in the Gray apartment house, 1120-1122 Vine street. Joseph Hudson, Sr., has but one leg, and on being awakened by shouts of other tenants vainly attempted to grope his way through the dense smoke.

The boy, after awakening his smaller brother and sister, returned to his father's room and found him leaning against the wall on the point of collapsing. Taking the elder Hudson by the arm, he supported him as both groped their way down stairs to the street.

Mrs. Hudson carried two children to the street in her arms. Policeman Brinton, who discovered the fire, helped Charles Conrad, 1120 Vine street, save his wife and child. The flames started in a kitchen and caused a loss of $300. The same apartments were slightly damaged by fire two weeks ago.

WORK OF IMPROVING PARKWAY WILL BE RUSHED BY MAYOR

80 Buildings Now Being Demolished and $800,000 Loan Item Will Be Expended as Soon as Available.

Evidence of the consistent activity with which Mayor Blankenburg's administration has advanced municipal constructive projects is afforded along the course of the Parkway.

Eighty buildings on the route of the boulevard that ultimately will lead from City Hall northwest to Fairmount Park are being demolished.

The $800,000 item of the $11,300,000 municipal loan, approved by the people at the last election, will be expended in completing the Parkway west of Logan Square to 22 street. The structures now being razed are in that section.

Since the beginning of his administration, Mayor Blankenburg has bent every energy toward advancement of Parkway construction. Several hundred buildings along its course have been condemned and torn away. All available funds, free from Councilmanic restriction, have been put under contract when construction work was feasible.

Councils last July passed an ordinance, approved by the Mayor, authorizing the opening of the Parkway between 19th and 22d streets and notifying property owners that the buildings would be required for public use within three months. Work is now in progress in the section designated.

Appended to the original bill in committee, through the efforts of Harry J. Trainer, a liquor dealer, representing the 24 Ward for the Organization in Select Council, was the following restrictive clause: "That before any action shall be taken for the physical opening of the Parkway between the points mentioned, the licenses for saloon property destroyed shall be transferred to other locations by the License Court of the Court of Quarter Sessions."

Three saloons are located on the Parkway between Logan Square and 22d street. One license has been transferred by the court, but the other two are being held under advisement. Under the present activities these saloon properties will not be destroyed, in compliance with the restrictions in the ordinance.

The city will obtain about $2000 from the contractors who are destroying the 80 buildings and who will retain the materials. It is expected that this work will be completed by April 1, when funds should be available from the $800,000 item of the loan for the actual physical development of the Parkway. Availability of the loan funds by that date depends on the legislative activities of Councils.

Start of the building of the roadway proper on April 1 will provide work for many of Philadelphia's unemployed, although the tie-up of the loan funds until then will prevent beginning of the work during the rigorous winter months, when the employment is most needed.

When the money finally is available there will be no delay in awarding contracts for the work. Assistant Engineer W. F. Taylor, of the Bureau of Highways, is supervising the preparation of plans and specifications for the designated portion of the Parkway, and bids will be asked and contracts awarded as soon as the work may be started legally.

Tentative plans, approved by Mayor Blankenburg and Director Cooke, of the Department of Public Works, for the section northwest of Logan Square, provide for a main central driveway 50 feet wide, with service driveways 28 feet wide on each side of the central roadbed.

Flanking the drives on either side will be grass plots, 42 feet wide, extending to the sidewalks, which will be 15 feet in width. Trees and shrubbery will be planted in the grass plots and small walks will be located in the centres of the grass areas.

Chief William H. Connell, of the Highway Bureau, said today that the plans for completing the Parkway include sidewalks 30 feet wide on each side of the central driveway from the plaza at City Hall to Logan Square.

The temporary driveway now open, parallel to the line of the Parkway, will be kept open for traffic until the permanent roadbed is finished.

Preliminary work, involving the changing of sewer lines from beneath the Parkway course and the blocking of sewers in streets intersecting the Parkway, is now being done under direction of Mr. Taylor and will be completed before the end of the year.

It is estimated that the development of the Parkway between Logan Square and 22d street will cost approximately $800,000, the amount provided in the municipal loan. A further expenditure of from $3,000,000 to $10,000,000 is estimated as necessary to complete the entire Parkway from City Hall to the Park.

WAVE OF CRIME PUZZLES POLICE IN NEW YORK CITY

Four Bomb Outrages, Street Assassination and Barrel Murder Mystery Occurrences of a Few Weeks.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—Police of New York are facing a crime wave. In the space of a few weeks, four bomb outrages, one street assassination that smacks of a Rosenthal murder, and a barrel murder mystery have taken place.

The first bomb outrange occurred several weeks ago when two men and a woman, thought to be members of a white slave band extending throughout the country, partially wrecked the new Bronx County courthouse and shattered the offices of the County Sheriff.

Several days later a bomb, the fuse sputtering dangerously near the explosive, was discovered near a Judge's bench in a city Court in time to prevent damage and possible death to several persons.

While the police were hunting a clue to these outrages, two men dropped a barrel on a curb in Long Island City. It contained the warm body of a man who had been shot through the heart.

Then came the wrecking of part of a tenement in Cherry street. Investigation revealed that the place had been occupied by a Sicilian "club." In one of the rooms was found enough explosives to have blown the six-story tenement to bits. Two injured men and a third man who was aiding them were arrested in one of the wrecked rooms.

One day later Barnett Baff, whose fight against the poultry trust resulted in the conviction and sentencing to jail of 13 of its members, was lured from his office and shot to death in a crowded street. His two murderers escaped in an automobile.

The latest bomb explosion occurred late yesterday. A man who said his name was Tony Lollo was carrying a bundle along East 116th street when the "bundle" exploded, ripping away two of Lollo's fingers. It was a dynamite bomb. The police are certain Lollo can be connected with New York's bomb planters.

Save for Lollo and the three men arrested at the scene of the Cherry street outrage, the police are still at sea as to a solution of the cases.

EX-CONGRESSMAN ARRESTED

H. M. Coudrey, of Missouri, Charged With Misapplying $3700.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—Harry M. Coudrey, who formerly represented the 12th Missouri District in Congress, was brought to this city last night from his home in St. Louis on a warrant obtained by F. H. Ross, insurance broker, 160 William street, New York. Ross alleged that on December 1, 1909, he gave a check for $3700 to Coudrey, who had an office here, with directions to invest it in stock of the International Fire Insurance Company. He says Coudrey used the money for personal purposes.

Coudrey was held in the Tombs in default of $5000 bail. He spent the night in jail and refused to make any statement.

BURNED TO DEATH UNDER AUTOMOBILE WRECKED IN DITCH

Charred Body of Motorist Imprisoned in Car Found Along Road Near New Castle, Del.

WILMINGTON, Del., Nov. 27.—Beneath the wreck of an automobile bearing license tag 5284 of Virginia, on the road between New Castle and Delaware City early this morning was found the charred body of a man.

Late last night Marshall Burris and George Paxon, the crew of a Wilmington and Southern Traction Company car, saw a burning automobile in a ditch along the road near Delaware City. They extinguished the flames and notified the Wilmington police and Coroner.

The police at once got into communication with Virginia authorities in the hope of learning the name of the holder of the license and ascertain in that way who the victim of the accident was. The strange part of the affair is that while the road is one over which considerable traffic passes and is close to the railway tracks the car must have been burning for a long time before the trolley crew saw it.

Telegrams received today from Franklin City, Va., leave little doubt the man was Henry T. Doughty, of that place. Relatives are on their way here to claim the body. Doughty was a prominent wholesale oyster dealer of that place and left early in the week in his car on a business trip. He was here on Wednesday and started home last night, according to those with whom he had business.

As near as could be learned by the authorities the car had evidently overturned in the road, rolled across into the ditch, where it caught fire with the man under it.

CRACOW REPORTED FALLEN; RUSSIANS IN SILESIA

Rumors Also That Przemysl Commander Is Ready to Surrender.

PETROGRAD, Nov. 27.

According to rumors current here, the Austro-German forces on the Czestochowa-Cracow front retreated on Tuesday. Cracow fell the next day and the Russian troops pressing on, have swept well inside of Silesia. Others are to the effect that Przemysl's commander is negotiating for a surrender.

Reports are in circulation that the Government expects to announce a tremendous victory over Austrian and German armies within 24 hours, including the capture of Cracow and Przemysl and the invasion of Silesia by a Russian army. There is no confirmation of these reports and no explanation of their origin can be secured.

CROKERS ON HONEYMOON

Ex-Tammany Chief and Indian Bride Go to Palm Beach.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—Richard Welsted Croker, ex-leader of Tammany Hall and his bride, formerly Miss Beula Benton Edmondson, a Cherokee Indian princess, are on their honeymoon today, bound for Palm Beach.

They will remain there until coat April, when the couple will leave for Croker's estate at Glentacrin, Ireland.

POSTBAG FROM BATTLE FRONT

First-hand Accounts of Land and Sea Conflicts Told by the Fighting Soldiers and Sailors Themselves.

[The real war correspondents of the present European struggle are the men in the trenches and the men on the quarter deck. Professional writers are not permitted at the front. All they know is what they can glean from the wounded occupants of ambulances taken to the rear. The Evening Ledger will print from time to time the only intimate side of the war—the reflections of soldiers and sailors in their letters home. German letters, when obtainable, as well as those of the Allies, will be printed.]

In Pursuit of the Emden

(George Allum writes to his mother from H. M. S. Hampshire, in pursuit of the Emden).

We are chasing the German cruiser Emden. She has been up to her games in the Bay of Bengal—sunk a collier and a tramp. We are going to Calcutta and Rangoon afterwards.

We are itching to smash something German, either a town or a ship; we are not particular what it is, so long as it's German.

We have just left Port Blair (September 19), a delightful little place in the Andaman Isles, where there is a big Indian Penal settlement. We haven't met anything in the sausage line yet.

We steamed up to the mouth of the Hoogly, just below Calcutta, and are now making for Madras, where we expect to coal. I have not put foot ashore for two solid months—not since we left Hakodate, in Japan.

We have come half around Asia after that Emden. It is a stern chase, therefore a long one; but we all feel confident of catching her. She has done enough damage already.

Sept. 23.—We have heard that she has bombarded Madras. We're after her still.

25th—Just as we were nearing Madras we had information that the enemy was off Pondicherry, a French-Indian settlement. So we made all possible speed to catch her, only to find that she had left just two hours before our arrival. So we are now carrying on to Colombo.

This Emden has certainly succeeded in dodging us, but she won't dodge much more. She'll want coal. We are going to do our best to step her getting it. Then she will have to ease down, and we stand a chance of catching her. We need patience.

Taken Prisoner in Cameroons

(From an Englishman who was manager of a rubber plantation at Duala, in the Cameroons).

Directly war was declared both — (a lady) and I were arrested and disgracefully treated. We were deprived of our arms and had to give our words of honor to do nothing that would militate against the interests of the Germans in their war operations.

Without arms, we were exposed to the savage fury of the maltreated natives, who were ready to murder and rob any and every "white man." Fortunately we were taken to Edea, where the German soldiers gave us all the protection necessary against the natives. After remaining at this place a few weeks, and suffering from the threats of all sorts of horrible deaths, we were brought down to this place (Duala) and put on board one of the many German steamships hiding in the river here. We were placed there in a small cabin and had armed guards over us, who frequently did much by taunting and ridiculing Britons to make our position almost unbearable.

We heard daily of the large number of defenseless natives who were being hung up to trees, shot and otherwise put to an untimely, horrible death; but of this we were less concerned than about ourselves.

It will, I suppose, form a page or so in the history of the war, when it is written, "How Duala was taken" by the British and how, when the British prisoners were liberated a mighty, frantic cheer rent the air as a pinnace drew up alongside our prison ship and gave us the glad news. — was for several minutes delirious, and, needless to say, many were the moist eyes and lumpy throats when the first shock passed away. There was much singing of hymps and patriotic songs before the pinnace was allowed by the relieved British to move off. Although they had, brave fellows, been at work over 24 hours, they forgot their own sufferings when they saw our condition and gladness.

Hard Work for "Rookies"

Letter from a recruit in the British army now in training:

We have been training now for practically six weeks and are gradually being molded into shape, so as to be ready for any call which may be made on us. This week we had our first taste of wet weather, which had unfortunate results, for one or two recruits who have not been supplied with uniforms yet got wet through while out route marching, and, having no change of clothes down here, attended roll call in pajamas and blankets! It's wonderful the spirit of good comradeship existing between everybody.

For example, in one room of an empty house are billeted two men—one a son of a wealthy city man whose name is well known in financial circles, and the other a poor mechanic who lost his job owing to the war. Occasionally a luxurious motorcar draws up at that house, but it departs with both those young fellows comfortably ensconced in it, class distinction entirely forgotten.

Last Sunday we had a stroke of luck, for on turning up to dinner we were delighted to learn that the Duke of Sutherland had kindly sent some pheasants and that they were being served up for dinner, in place of the immortal stew which has been the everyday menu for the last six weeks. Stew is very nice occasionally, but down here it is about as popular as the Kaiser and Keir Hardie.

"Stew is certainly very popular with the military authorities, but it is difficult to trace the reason. Perhaps there is something in the story of one of the old hands in this regiment, who solemnly told me that about 1000 years ago a certain high personage at the War Office ordered stew for the soldiers' dinner, and since then there has been nobody high enough in position to countermand that order!

BOY HUNTER KILLS BROTHER

New Jersey Youth Victim of Thanksgiving Accident.

SMITHTOWN, N. J., Nov. 27.—Vander Eller, aged 13, was instantly killed yesterday by the accidental discharge of his brother John's shotgun in the woods near their home.

The boys, after their Thanksgiving dinner, left a merry home party on the chance that they might be able to raise a pheasant or two. They were beating through the brush when the trigger of the weapon caught in a twig, the resulting discharge striking Vander in the neck.

After an inquiry the officials declared there would be no prosecution.

LOSS OF BATTLESHIP STARTS BRITISH CRY 'SPY AND SUBMARINE'

Bulwark Disaster Inquiry Begun — Theory Advanced That Dropping of Lyddite Shell Caused Wreck.

LONDON, Nov. 27.

Secret inquiry was started today into the blowing up of the battleship Bulwark off Sheerness yesterday, when 750 officers and men were lost.

Naval experts are totally unable to explain the destruction of the Bulwark upon the theory that the explosion was accidental, unless it was caused by deteriorated ammunition. That such could be the case, however, is considered most unlikely because of the frequent tests made aboard the ship and the fact that the Bulwark's magazines were protected by all latest devices.

A theory advanced here is that the disaster resulted from the bursting of a lyddite shell that was dropped while the warship was taking on ammunition. Some officials believe that in a moment of carelessness the men carrying the 12-inch shell permitted it to drop in the magazine.

The spy and the submarine terrors ran rampant in London today. The contention of the Admiralty that the explosion was certainly internal has by no means satisfied the public. Some of the papers criticise the authorities for the lack of vigilance about the Government docks. All London has been wild upon the subject of spies for months, and it is insisted that German agents would have little trouble operating in some of the shipyards.

It is believed that the destruction of the Bulwark will go down in history as as great a mystery as the blowing up of the United States battleship Maine in Havana Harbor.

At the time of the disaster most of the men were below at breakfast, and only the few on deck had the slightest chance of life. A well-known shipbuilder, who was in his house near the Sheerness pier at the time, said that his whole house reeled under the force of the explosion and everything seemed to rattle.

No evil significance was attached at first at Sheerness to the explosion, accustomed as it is to heavy gunfire. Not until a couple of hours later was the truth known, but even then the full extent of the disaster was not realized.

A member of the crew of the collier lying near the Bulwark gives the following story of the disaster:

"I was on deck when suddenly I heard a most tremendous explosion and at the same time saw a sheet of red flame shoot up. Then there was a dense volume of black smoke, and as that cleared away there was simply nothing—just a gap between the other warships.

"I rubbed my eyes and wondered for a moment whether there really had been a ship there or not. It must have been all over in one minute."

Memphis Bankers Indicted

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Nov. 27.—C. Hunter Raine, former president of the defunct Mercantile Bank of this city, and Claude Anderson, its former cashier, have been indicted for using the mails to defraud.

DEACONESSES AS NURSES IMPRISONED FOR LOOTING

Nine German Women Sentenced to French Jails.

PARIS, Nov. 27.—The permanent court-martial sentenced Surgeon Majors Collins and Wohlfart, who were in charge of the principal field hospital of the 5d German Army Corps, to a year's imprisonment today for alleged pillage.

Nine deaconesses attached to the hospital were given sentences varying from one month to three months, and 20 subordinates sentences ranging from one month to three years on the same charge. Eleven other persons connected with the hospital were acquitted.

The hospital was captured by the French at Peronne, September 18. The bulk of the baggage aroused the suspicion of the French army officials, and its search was ordered. In that of Surgeon Major Collins, it was charged, there were found three Tanagra statuettes with the Peronne Museum labels on them. It was alleged that in the baggage of the deaconesses were pieces of silks, carpets and fine linens which the deaconesses said had been given them by Carmelite Sisters in appreciation of their kindness to the French wounded.

MICHIGAN STILL AGROUND

Four Tugs Fail to Pull Battleship Out of the Mud.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—Although four naval tugs labored from 3 o'clock on to free the battleship Michigan from her fast position in the mud in the Horseshoe of Cape Henry, Va., she was still aground this forenoon, according to Navy Department advices.

Officials, however, believe she could be floated without further difficulty.