

GERMANY PREPARES FOR CAMPAIGN TO WIPE OUT ALLIES' SHIPPING

Operations Thus Far Only Opening Gun in Battle to Destroy British, French and Russian Commerce on the Seas.

Twelve New Submarines Arrive at Zeebrugge and 15 Undersea Craft Building at Kiel for Use in Baltic, Admiralty Official Announces.

BERLIN, March 8. The successful submarine operations inaugurated by Germany against England in the "bread war" were only the opening steps in a campaign of destruction against the shipping of Great Britain, France and Russia.

This assertion was made today by a high official of the German Admiralty, who explained the cessation of the submarine attacks to the fact that Germany was awaiting England's decision on the proposals submitted by the United States and accepted by Germany, on condition that Great Britain should not be prepared for a campaign that will wipe out English, French and Russian shipping.

"While detailed reports of the opening of the submarine campaign are not yet available, we know that both England and France have accepted their losses. According to reliable reports, our submarines have sunk at least 15 merchant ships belonging to these countries.

"POISON PEN" AT WORK

Scurrilous Letter Sent to Wilkes-Barre's School Chief. WILKES-BARRE, Pa., March 8.—Frank P. Hopper, superintendent of schools in Luzerne County, has received a "poison pen" letter in which serious accusations are made against several of the public school teachers in Wilkes-Barre township.

THE WEATHER

Winter, with varied weather, moves along. Freezes us not, nor melts us overmuch; We tolerate it, since it does no such. Nor good to us, as such.

FORECAST

For Philadelphia and vicinity—Fair weather tonight and tomorrow. Colder tonight.

Observations at Philadelphia

Table with 2 columns: Observation and Value. Includes temperature, wind, precipitation, etc.

Almanac of the Day

Table with 2 columns: Time and Event. Includes sunrise, sunset, moonrise, etc.

Lamps to Be Lighted

Table with 2 columns: Location and Time. Includes PORE RICHMOND, CHESTNUT STREET, etc.

The Tides

Table with 2 columns: Time and Tide. Includes low water, high water, etc.

WHEAT RISES AGAIN

Prices Soar to \$1.47 1/2 for July and \$1.18 1/2 for May. CHICAGO, March 8.—The wheat pit went on another rampage today, with prices soaring.

Following the persistent news from Europe that Greece, Italy and possibly also the Balkans might be lined up on the side of the Allies by summer, wheat opened today at \$1.44 1/2 for May and \$1.17 for July futures.

These prices represented advances of 6 1/2 and 3 1/2, respectively, over Saturday's close.

EDISON PLANT AFIRE, SECOND TIME IN THREE MONTHS

Flames Sweep Record Plating Mill, Destroying Master Records.

WEST ORANGE, N. J., March 8.—For the second time in three months the plant of Thomas A. Edison, Inc., was attacked by fire today. The flames swept the record plating mill, where the master plates for records are made.

The damage to the building was slight, but the loss in master records could not be ascertained. Edison's fire fighters, aided by the town apparatus, checked the fire. The fire last December caused a loss of \$2,000,000.

GREEKS, AT FEVER HEAT, CLAMOR FOR PLUNGE INTO WAR

Early Entry on Allies' Side Certain, Athens Believes, as Populace Hisses New "Neutrality" Premier on Way to Palace.

ATHENS, March 8. Popular demonstrations favoring war with Turkey took place in Athens today. Early participation of Greece on the side of the Allies was regarded as a certainty here.

Eleutheros Venizelos, who resigned as Premier because King Constantine would not accept the Cabinet's decision to open hostilities, was widely cheered when he appeared at his office to conclude some unfinished business, while M. Zaimis, who has been asked to form a new ministry, was booed and hissed as he went to the royal palace for a conference with King Constantine.

A great crowd surrounding the Parliament building shouted "Down with Turkey" and "We want war" as the members of the Chamber of Deputies arrived for today's session. Because of the resignation of the Venizelos cabinet the session was brief.

GIRL SUES MEDICAL STUDENT FOR \$20,000

V. M. Brobst, Medico-Chi Man, Says Miss Flory Accepted Others' Attentions.

When Valentine M. Brobst, a fourth-year student at Medico-Chi came down to breakfast this morning, Mrs. John Davis, the landlady, told him his former sweetheart had sued him for \$20,000 for alleged breach of promise. The girl is Laura M. Flory, 21 years old, of Brunnewille, near Little, Lancaster County.

SNOW DRIVES GUESTS FROM ATLANTIC CITY'S BOARDWALK



This picture, taken in front of the New Traymore Hotel, is in strong contrast to the scene at the same spot three weeks ago when the walk was crowded with early spring visitors. The thoroughfare is desolate and deserted, except for the snow sweepers.

TRANSIT CONFERENCE IN MAYOR'S OFFICE

To Consider Next Step in Fight Against Obstructionists. Banker for Compromise.

Representatives of the forces which have battled in behalf of real rapid transit will meet this afternoon in the Mayor's office and decide upon the next step to be taken against the obstructionists and in behalf of the people, who want progress.

The appointment of a transit arbitration board, representing all interests concerned in the present transit question, vested with power to intervene in the controversy and to work out a plan of action agreeable to all factions, was urged today by Frederick T. Chandler, vice president of the Philadelphia Stock Exchange and a member of the banking firm of Chandler Brothers & Co.

The Mayor, as the head of the city government and as a director of the board of the Rapid Transit Company, Mr. Chandler said, was the proper official to take the initiative in securing the co-operation of all interested in the organization of the arbitration board.

PRINCETON STUDENTS CHEER "BILLY" SUNDAY

Seminarians Give Evangelist Rousing Reception at College Town.

PRINCETON, N. J., March 8.—"Billy" Sunday took Princeton as if by storm today. He came here this morning and was given a rousing ovation by the hundreds of students and hundreds of other enthusiasts of the college town.

"BILLY" GETS OVATION

While hundreds clamored in vain to get admittance to the church this morning, the fiery preacher poured hot shot into the camp of the theologians. The morning services were for the students of the seminary. They are united for the baseless evangelist and gave him a noisy reception. He came back to them with just as much noise, and told them he was glad to learn that there were some prospective clergymen in the world "who didn't forget that they were human beings."

THAW TRIAL BEGINS; CHARGE IS CONSPIRACY

Attorneys Declare Prisoner Will Be Proved Sane "for All Time."

THAW CASE CHRONOLOGY. June 25, 1906—Shot and killed Stanford White. February 4 to April 12, 1907—First trial; acquittal. January 26 to February 1, 1908—Second trial; acquitted of murder on grounds of insanity. February 1, 1908—Committed to Matteawan.

NEW YORK, March 8.—With his "Nemesis," William Travers Jerome, absent, Harry K. Thaw today went on trial before Justice Page, of the Supreme Court Criminal Branch, on the charge of conspiracy to escape on August 17, 1913, from Matteawan Asylum. The end of the trial within a week was predicted by both sides.

Thaw's gray-haired mother arrived half an hour before court convened with Thaw's brother Josiah. They took seats in the front row reserved for the Thaw family. Mrs. Thaw appeared eager for the trial to begin. Thaw's sister, Mrs. George L. Carnegie, sat next to Mrs. Thaw.

SUPREME COURT OUSTS MAGISTRATE RENSHAW

Decision Comes as He Was Holding Hearing—Mayor's Appointment Null and Void.

Central Station hearings were abruptly interrupted shortly after 9 o'clock this morning when Magistrate Renshaw, who was presiding, was informed of the Supreme Court's decision that he had been appointed a committing Magistrate for Central Station.

ON TRIAL

Twenty-eight of the 114 men charged with conspiracy to corrupt the election at Terre Haute in November did not plead guilty. Their trial before the United States District Court here on March 15 was merely a manifestation of the revolt of the people of Terre Haute against the political gang which for years looted the city.

EVENING LEDGER

It is a story as startling as it is informing. It is a revelation of Neotoma in municipal politics. The scene is not only Terre Haute, but many another American city afflicted with the same disease which has disgraced our own Philadelphia. Gas steals, street car scandals, housing scandals, transit scandals—these things are not peculiar to Philadelphia. They are outgrowths of a condition like that which existed in Terre Haute. They are thoroughly explained by the Story of Terre Haute.

R. R. WINS FARE FIGHT

Two-cent Law in West Virginia Declared Unconstitutional. WASHINGTON, March 8.—The Norfolk and Western Railway in the United States Supreme Court today won its fight to prevent enforcement of the West Virginia 2-cent passenger fare law, which it claimed was confiscatory and hence unconstitutional.

ENTIRE HOMESTEAD PLANT BUSY; 4000 PUT TO WORK

All Departments Active for First Time in Nearly Two Years. PITTSBURGH, March 8.—For the first time in nearly two years every department of the Homestead Steel Works of the Carnegie Steel Company is again in operation, 4000 men being put to work yesterday and today. There is great rejoicing in Homestead.

FIRE ON LA TOURAINE ENTIRELY EXTINGUISHED

Steamship Will Arrive at Havre Tonight. LONDON, March 8.—Fire aboard the French liner La Touraine has been extinguished, according to a wireless message received here via Paris, late this afternoon. La Touraine will arrive at Havre about 6 o'clock tonight under escort of two French cruisers. Her passengers probably will not be landed until tomorrow morning.

SUFFRAGE IN THE SOUTH TOPIC OF DISCUSSION

Delegates From 21 States Attend Mississippi Valley Conference. INDIANAPOLIS, March 8.—The Mississippi Valley Woman Suffrage conference with delegates from 21 States, opened its business session today and debated plans for securing the ballot throughout the central West. Among the prominent leaders present were Mrs. Grace Wilbur Trout and Mrs. Medill McCormick.

MOB THREATENS VIOLENCE TO ALLEGED SLASHER

Pushcart Vender Held for Assault on Milkman. Several hundred men and boys attracted by a fight at 10th and York streets threatened injury to Antonio Verrechie, 23 years old, of 222 North 7th street, at 9 o'clock this morning after the man was accused of having slashed the face of Paul Blank, 218 Grandview street, driver of a milk wagon.

BABY CARRIED FROM BURNING HOME

A year-old baby was carried to safety this morning when the family of Joseph Kohen fled from their burning home at 219 Thompson street. Mrs. Kohen, who was aroused by a passerby, called to her husband and 4-year-old son Morris and then fled downstairs carrying her baby in her arms. All reached the street safely. The fire was caused by matches ignited by mace, Kohen believes.

TROLLEY CRASHES INTO TRUCK, TROUING CAR IN SMASH-UP

Slippery pavement and trolley rails caused two traffic accidents this morning. A southbound trolley car struck a wagon at 22d and Haroid streets, the driver severely bruised and several passengers in the car being cut by broken glass. Michael Cleary, 2312 Huntingdon street, the driver, was treated at the Woman's Homeopathic Hospital. Witnesses said the slippery condition of the track made it impossible to stop the trolley car.

PHILADELPHIAN HELD

Prisoner Accused of Shooting Negro Pleads Self-defense. BALTIMORE, Md., March 8.—Charles Monell, 24 years old, of 225 North 8th street, Philadelphia, was arrested here accused of shooting and killing William Blanton, colored, today. He pleaded self-defense.

GIRL'S COMPANION SENTENCED

Michael Fasio, of New York City, convicted before Judge Barrett last week on charges of bringing 15-year-old Della Bellino, 64 McDougall street, New York, to this city, was sentenced today to a term of two years in the Eastern Penitentiary. The couple resided at 133 Fairmount avenue. Fasio has a wife and three children living in New York. Miss Bellino said she knew he was married, but loved him so much she could not resist the temptation to run away to this city.

ABANDONED BABY FOUND

Richly Dressed Youngster Held Penny, Though Almost Frozen. A fat, brown-eyed baby, one year old, was found in an alley in the rear of 165 Federal street early today by Policeman McKnight, of the 15th street and Snyder avenue station. In a serious condition from exposure, the police think the child was kidnapped by some one, who became frightened and deserted it in the alley.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Youngst Alphonse, about 5 months old, wearing a blue coat, white shoes, and a white hat, returned to 1115 Locust st. Reward \$1.00. LOST—Sunday, wearing blue coat and white shoes, returned to 1115 Locust st. Reward \$1.00. Other classified advertisements on page 10.

CHRISTIANS FLEE FROM TURKEY AS ALLIES ADVANCE

Refugees Report Massacres Already Begun in Interior Towns. SALONIKA, March 8. Thousands of Christians are fleeing from the towns of western European Turkey into Bulgarian territory to escape massacre by the Turks. Refugees who arrived here today asserted that massacres started in the interior towns as soon as the Ottoman troops were withdrawn to concentrate along the Dardanelles, and that everywhere Christians are being tortured or slain.

Constantinople Reports Two Anglo-French Cruisers Badly Damaged in Dardanelles, But British Admiralty Denies Claim, Though Admitting Stubborn Defense.

LONDON, March 8. A French cruiser was put out of action and an English cruiser badly damaged during the Sunday afternoon bombardment of the Dardanelles, the Turkish War Office declared in an official statement given out today and transmitted by wireless from Berlin.

TURK GOVERNMENT TO QUIT CONSTANTINOPLE THURSDAY

Courier From City Says Officials Will Go to Asia Minor. SOFIA, Bulgaria, March 8. The Turkish Government will be removed to Asia Minor on Thursday, according to a message brought here from Constantinople by courier today. It states that ex-Sultan Abdul Hamid has been ordered to leave the city for Konia, to prevent a revolution aiming to restore him to the throne.

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