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BERLIN FAILS TO SATISFY U. S. ON LUSITANIA

Washington Pessimistic Despite Additional Power Given Bernstorff to End Dispute

SINKING HELD LEGAL

Further Conferences Will Be Held—Wilson Studies Report From House

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 5.—Private Berlin advices received in influential quarters in Holland today report that Germany has offered in its reply to the United States to submit to a neutral court the question of legality of the sinking of the Lusitania, this tribunal to consist of representatives of leading neutral nations and to meet at once to draft rules for submarine warfare.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.

A situation of grave import today confronted the American people. That which half the country has feared would result from the European war and which the other half has believed impossible seemed within sight. The embroilment of America in the quarrel and even participation in the devastating struggle seems so perilously near that official Washington tensed with anticipation.

The Administration has caused it to be known that certain definite demands have been made on Germany growing out of the sinking of the Lusitania. The German Government has caused it to be known that these demands are refused. This after almost a year of diplomatic exchanges.

The point has been reached where one Government or the other must back down.

President Wilson, for the American people, has let it be declared America will not. The German Foreign Office, in statements intended for the German people and the American people has said the same is true of that government.

BERNSTORFF OPTIMISTIC.

One optimistic person—optimistic in expression, at least—stood out today—Count von Bernstorff, German Ambassador.

The Ambassador's optimism was clearly based on his belief that he can propose a compromise that will not only be acceptable to the United States, but will be ratified by his home Government. It is known that the message he received yesterday from Berlin, and the contents of which he communicated to Lansing, was such a compromise—a substitution of a milder phrase for the term "illegal" in fact. This suggestion, however, left the situation unchanged, according to Lansing.

Whether the Ambassador also has instructions that will permit him to concede more is, of course, not known. His position necessarily is that he has gone as far as he can go, but it is indicated he has reason to believe that the President, in the light of Colonel House's report, can see his way to accept the compromise.

State Department officials this afternoon declared there is no deadlock in the Lusitania negotiations. It was stated emphatically that the informal conferences between Secretary Lansing and Count von Bernstorff have not been terminated. The Ambassador expects to see Mr. Lansing just as soon as the latter confers with the President. President Wilson expects to confer with Secretary Lansing today.

President Wilson, by intimations from the White House, considers a crisis reached, and Secretary Lansing's few utterances are to the same effect. The German Ambassador today insisted that matters are not in such serious shape, but belied his own Government's utterances when he did so.

All Administration affairs today were submerged under the cloud of the Lusitania negotiations. President Wilson and Secretary Lansing planned to confer at length over Germany's reply sent yesterday through Ambassador von Bernstorff. The President had his first real opportunity, with practically all White House engagements canceled, to analyze the German position. Secretary Lansing also devoted himself exclusively to the ominous problem.

Another conference between Ambassador von Bernstorff and Secretary Lansing had been intended today, but it was believed it would be postponed until early next week. For today, at least, no decisive step was planned. Before the Cabinet meets next Tuesday, however, it was ex-

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THE WEATHER

A few more of these crystal, clean-cut, brilliant cold days and we will begin to advertise the climate of Philadelphia instead of trying to conceal it. This is the kind of weather when a man feels sorry he wasn't born to the lot of a teamster or a policeman. How dull to be a bank president and have to stay in a warm room most of a fine day like today or yesterday, when, with a little luck, one might be galloping about the suburbs on a gallant horse, enjoying the exhilarating life of a mounted policeman. One could even envy the shovelers of snow and of coal, who can be outdoors in the intense, intoxicating air.

But, just for a few extra pieces of silver, we choose to huddle indoors, next the radiator.

FORECAST

For Philadelphia and vicinity—Generally cloudy and warmer tonight; Sunday fair and somewhat colder; fresh south shifting to west winds.

For details see page 15.

LOST AND FOUND

WATCH—Lost, February 3, on U. of P. campus or on subway car to City Hall, a 12 size men-face gold watch and chain, with fraternity pin; case stamped inside No. 468,500. Liberal reward and no questions asked if returned to J. E. Caldwell & Co., 902 Chestnut st.

CHAIN—Lost, gold chain set with pearls and diamonds, in pink chamois bag, about January 17. Please return to Box 201, Rosemont, and receive reward.

BRACELACE—Lost, pearl necklace with pearl barrel clasp. Liberal reward. Return to Z. Pasquinot, 1331 Walnut st.

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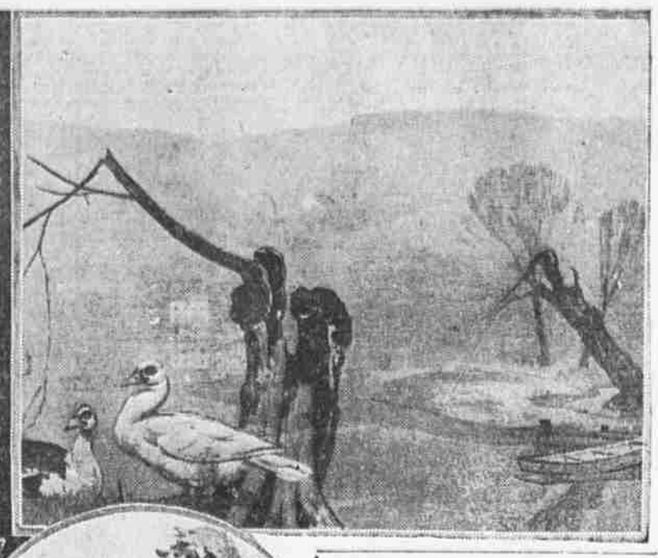
THREE PRIZE WINNERS IN FINE ARTS ACADEMY EXHIBITION



Photos by Chappell Studio.

Joseph T. Pearson, Jr., of this city, today was awarded two prizes for his painting, "In the Valley," above. He wins both the Temple gold medal and the E. T. Stotesbury prize, offered for the best oil painting by an American. The portrait of Dr. Felix Adler brought Douglas Volk the Carol H. Beck gold medal. "The Spirit of the Woods" sculpture won the George D. Widener gold medal for Edward M. McCarton.

RUMANIA MASSES ARMY OF 500,000 ALONG FRONTIER

Mobilizing of Nine-Tenths of Total Forces Suggests War

RUSSIAN FRONTIER OPEN

BUCHAREST, Rumania, Feb. 5.—The Rumanian Government, it was announced today, has made arrangements for a foreign loan of 210,000,000 francs ($42,000,000). It was stated semiofficially that this was a preparatory war measure.

ROME, Feb. 5.

The Rumanian army is nine-tenths mobilized by the decree issued Thursday calling to the colors the class of 1896 in advance of their regular schedule. More than a half million troops are now massed along the Bulgarian and Hungarian frontiers. Private advices received here today report that Rumania is ready to intervene on the side of the Allies at the first opportune moment.

The Bulgarian Government has closed the entire Rumanian frontier, excepting the cities of Oporitose and Pebrugia, mistrusting Rumania's intentions. The Bulgarian newspapers declare it significant that no Rumanian troops are concentrated along the Russian frontier.

Heavy artillery from the Rumanian Black Sea forts is being moved toward the Hungarian frontier, according to advices received here. The Rumanians are erecting strong fortifications along the Bulgarian border, expecting a Bulgarian offensive in case they attack Hungary.

In the last week the Austrian and German newspapers have openly expressed doubts regarding the future attitude of the Bucharest Government.

Several important developments have tended to hasten Rumania's alignment

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MIDDLE WEST BURIED UNDER A DEEP SNOW

Trains Are Blocked at Many Points—Four Feet on Michigan Peninsula

CHICAGO, Feb. 5.—The snowstorm that has brought peril to half a dozen Northwestern towns, marooned for weeks, reached the Middle West today, adding several inches of snow to the mantle that covered the ground from two to three feet in depth in some Dakota cities.

Trains from Portland, Seattle and other north coast points, which have been ploughing their way through great drifts for several days, found their progress further blocked at many points today. Delays of from five to 15 hours were encountered.

The storm developed in the western plains States, and had lost considerable of its force when it reached Chicago. Clear, cold weather is in sight tomorrow.

Dispatches from Calumet, Mich., today said blizzards which have raged intermittently for five weeks have buried the upper end of the Michigan peninsula under four feet of snow and that all traffic is demoralized.

LECTURE AT STOTESBURYS'

Mlle. Jeane Moos, of France, Will Address Prominent Women

An announcement printed in a morning newspaper, to the effect that a lecture by Mlle. Jeane Moos, at the home of Mrs. Edward T. Stotesbury, 1925 Walnut street, would not be given, is incorrect. The lecture will be given, as at first announced, on Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Mlle. Moos is a member of the Red Cross and of the Union of French Women. She has been right on the spot in France and has seen the fearful sufferings the wounded soldiers have endured on the long trips across the country, without food, for many hours. She was one of those to organize the canteen stations, which are now placed at intervals along the way, and the railroads cooperate in this by stopping at the various stations long enough to permit the soldiers to eat. Women who are interested in the preparedness movement will find Mlle. Moos' experience most instructive.

Westtown Girl's Assailant Guilty

WEST CHESTER, Pa., Feb. 5.—Paul Caulfield, of Downingtown, was convicted in Criminal Court here on the charge of criminal assault upon Christine Hess, 13 years old, of Westtown. An application was made for a new trial and sentence was suspended.

OPERA DIRECTOR, HELD FOR OTTAWA FIRE, RELEASED

Bomb Explosion Caused Destruction of Canadian Parliament Buildings

WAR FACTORY BURNED

OTTAWA, Feb. 5.—Definite evidence that the fire apparatus in Parliament House had been tampered with before the flames broke out there Thursday night was obtained by the authorities today. The contents of the fire extinguishers increased instead of decreased the flames, and Fire Chief Graham believes that an inflammable liquid was put in them.

MONTREAL, Feb. 5.—What is believed to have been an attempt to wreck the Victoria bridge here was frustrated by Canadian guards early today. Several shots were fired by members of the composite battalion when a man was seen creeping over the ice toward the bridge. A searchlight on the city side of the river also picked him out some distance from the piers. Other guards appeared, and several more shots were fired. The man escaped.

OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 5.

Charles Strony, Belgian, and director of the Chicago Grand Opera Company, who spent the night in the Windsor jail, giving full vent to his temperament throughout the night, was freed by Windsor police today. A message from Colonel J. S. Sherwood, chief of the Dominion police, declared that conclusive evidence connecting the famous musician with the destruction of the Canadian Parliament buildings was lacking and his release was ordered shortly before noon.

The greatest round-up of aliens since the beginning of the war was ordered by the Canadian authorities today. The Dominion police have been ordered to apprehend all foreigners who left Ottawa Thursday night when the $5,000,000 Parliament buildings were burned.

That time bombs placed in different parts of the Parliament House exploded during the fire that was raging in the building and helped destroy the magnificent Gothic structure was the assertion made today by members of Parliament who fled for their lives while the flames were bursting forth about them. Their declarations were corroborated by Fire Chief Graham, who said that he had heard five distinct explosions, such as would have been caused by infernal machines while his men were fighting the fire.

The theory that enemy agents have opened a campaign of terrorism in Canada, of which the destruction of Parliament house was the first act, has been strengthened by the burning of the plant owned by Grant-Holden-Graham, Ltd., which was wrecked by fire last night. The factory has been turning out equipment for Canadian soldiers, and Canadian officials expressed the belief today that the fire which destroyed it was of incendiary origin. As a result of the two fires in the capital every munition plant and equipment factory in the country is doubly guarded today. Instructions have been sent to every point where army sup-

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FINE ARTS EXHIBITION, ALL-AMERICAN SHOW, HAS RARE CANVASES

Will Be Opened to the Public Tomorrow Afternoon—459 Paintings Are on View

MANY FINE PORTRAITS

Prize-Winners at Academy Art Exhibit

Temple gold medal, for best picture painted in oil without regard to subject, open to American artists only, to Joseph P. Pearson, Jr., for picture "In the Valley."

Edward T. Stotesbury prize, for best painting or group of paintings never before publicly exhibited, to Joseph P. Pearson, Jr., for picture "In the Valley."

Jennis Sesman gold medal, for best landscape, to Emil Carlsen, for picture "Entrance to St. Thomas' Harbor."

Carol H. Beck gold medal, for best portrait in oil, open to American artists only, to Douglas Volk, for picture "Portrait of Dr. Felix Adler."

Mary Smith prize, for best painting by woman artist, resident of Philadelphia, to Nancy M. Ferguson, for picture "In Provincetown."

Walter Lippincott prize, best figure piece by American artist, to Karl Anderson, for picture "The Heirloom."

George D. Widener gold medal, for best work in sculpture, to Edward M. McCarton, for work "The Spirit of the Woods."

Bigger and brighter and more brilliant than ever, the annual exhibit of the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts will be opened to the public tomorrow afternoon. Today the press view, varnishing day, reception and private view are crowded in, between 10 a. m and "some time in the evening." The prizes were awarded today, handshaking gone through and the Hanging Comittee breathed a sigh and a prayer. Tomorrow the public will decide whether it is a good show. The exhibition has 110 ancestors and will live until late Sunday afternoon, March 26.

It is an all-American show. There was a rumor that foreigners had started canvases across the briny and submarined deep, but none of them is shown, except, erhaps, in the salons of Neptune. No names are given, and no one tells with what ship the paintings went down. But the fact is that they are not here. That may be the reason why the exhibit is a quiet, home-like affair. There isn't a real red dog hanging around anywhere. Last year Mr. Glackens snapped his fingers in the eyes of ordinary mortals and said a dog could be and was red. This year there is a brownish Airedale, but nothing more. Nothing to gasp about. No cubes, no triangles, no vorticists. But there are 459 paintings, most of them interesting

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COL DI LANA INVANO ATTACCATO MARTEDI'

San Vito Chietino, Non San Vicino, Era Stato Bombardato dalla Squadra Nemica

Il comunicato ufficiale pubblicato ieri sera a Roma dice che gli austriaci hanno attaccato violentemente ma senza risultato, anzi subendo gravi perdite, le posizioni italiane del Col di Lana, a nord dell'alta valle del Cordevole. Alcuni aeroplani austriaci hanno lasciato cadere bombe sulla Laguna di Grado, causando pero' pochi danni.

Notizie da Roma dicono che l'intervento della Rumania nella guerra a fianco degli alleati e' certo ed e' prossimo, e che nove decimi dell'esercito rumeno sono mobilitati e concentrati in massima parte verso la frontiera ungherese e verso quella bulgara.

Un comunicato ufficiale pubblicato a Vienna dice che la squadra austriaca che attacco' la costa italiana dell'Adriatico bombardo' la stazione ferroviaria di Ortona a Mare e quella di San Vito Chietino. Il dispaccio da Roma lasciava invece supporre che San Vicino era stato attaccato. Gli austriaci dicono di aver distrutto il ponte sul torrente Ariello a nord di Ortona.

(Leggere in 4a pagina le ultime e piu' dettagliate notizie sulla guerra, in italiano.)

ELEVATOR 'DEAD' IN BURNED HOTEL, CORONER LEARNS

Atlantic City Officials Probe Death of Six in the Overbrook

WOMEN'S BODIES FOUND

Inquiry Begins Over Body of Mrs. Kelly, Wife of a Philadelphian

Victims of Fire Horror in Atlantic City Hotel

The known dead in the Overbrook Hotel fire at Atlantic City yesterday are:

Mrs. Charles Kelly, aged 35, of New York, partner in proprietorship of the Maison de Paris, on the Boardwalk.

Thomas Edgarton Mott, aged 64, father of Richard H. Mott, proprietor of the Overbrook.

Mrs. Josephine Garsed, of Philadelphia, widow, it is said, of John F. Garsed, former treasurer of the old National Theatre.

Mrs. Thomas Edgarton Mott, body found late last night.

Paul Craig Hendricks, aged 22, graduate of Haverford College last year, who was publicity agent for the Hotel Traymore.

It is now believed that Edward Phillipsen, of White Plains, N. Y., is the only remaining victim.

It is now accepted as a fact that six persons lost their lives in the fire. The property loss was about $125,000.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Feb. 5.—The body of Edward Phillipsen, of 411 Palisade avenue, West Hoboken, was found at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon in the northeast corner of the Overbrook Hotel fire ruins.

ATLANTIC CITY, Feb. 5.—With five bodies lying in the Morgue and 200 workmen striving to find the remains of a sixth victim in the ruins of the Hotel Overbrook, destroyed by fire here early yesterday morning, Coroner Richard Bew and a jury this morning began the formal inquiry into the Hotel Overbrook tragedy.

One of the most startling developments was that there was no elevator service in the hotel at the time of the fire, the motor being out of order and in a repair shop. The stairs at the time were ablaze and escape cut off.

ELEVATOR OUT OF ORDER.

The Coroner learned that there was no elevator service in the hotel yesterday. The elevator carriage was out of order and guests of the hotel had been using the stairs since Monday last.

This amazing statement, important because it has direct bearing upon the loss of life now under inquiry, was made by Howard Carnell, manager of the Otis Elevator Service Company, 14 Presbyterian avenue. The motor of the Overbrook elevator is in the company's plant, he said.

"We first examined the elevator on January 21, at the request of Richard Mott, proprietor of the Overbrook," Carnell said. "The motor had been short-circuited and was in bad shape. Mott decided to do nothing at the time, but on Monday last he called us again to the hotel. We found the motor in such bad shape that it was necessary to take it out for repairs. It was brought to our plant that day. We had to send to New York for parts. They arrived this morning."

Truman, an assistant, confirmed Carnell's statement. A policeman had testified that he found the elevator "stalled" when he tried to go up into the blazing upper floors.

DEAD NUMBER SIX.

It is accepted that six lost their lives and the property loss was $125,000.

The jury, of which Joseph Young, an electrical contractor, is foreman, met at

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TOOTHAKER SEES PERIL IN FILIPINO FREEDOM

Commercial Museum Curator Fears Outbreak of Disease With Independence

The United States Government would make a great mistake by granting the Philippine Islands independence in the near future, this was strongly intimated today by Charles R. Toothaker, curator of the Commercial Museum, in the course of an illustrated lecture on the "New Philippines," at the museum. Mr. Toothaker made no direct statement on the present Philippine situation, but indirectly and by reference to the opinions of others he made it plain that he was opposed to Philippine independence under present conditions.

In pointed references to the health and sanity conditions on the islands, he told of the decrease of cholera and other contagious diseases following the work of the American Health and Sanitation Department and of the sudden increase in cholera cases during the last few months following the displacement of Americans by natives in the health service.

"The American Health and Sanitary Department," he said, "did a miracle for the islands in the matter of lessening disease. Before the American occupation there was a time when all sorts of diseases were most prevalent on the islands. The American Health Service overcame this and for a number of years not a single death resulted from cholera in the Philippines.

"Within the last six months, however, there have been many thousands of cases of cholera. I shall not make any statement on my own responsibility as to the causes for this sudden increase in the death rate, but there are those who profess to know and they say that the increase is coincident with the lessening of the number of Americans in the health service and the increase in the number of native Filipinos."

Extra Drawing-room & Compartment Cars to Florida via Seaboard Florida Limited, 4:41 p.m. Quickest, best. Inq. 1435 Chestnut St.-Adv.

QUICK NEWS

BULGARIA CLOSES DANUBE TO TRAFFIC

PARIS, Feb. 5.—Bulgaria has officially notified Rumania that the town of Rustchuk is a war zone and that the Danube has been closed, according to an official dispatch received from Bucharest today. Rustchuk is on the Danube, almost opposite Giurgevo, a Rumanian railway town through which Russian troops bent on an invasion of Bulgaria would probably pass.

SLAVS REPULSED ON IRAK FRONT

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 5.—The Turkish War Office today issued the following statement: "On the Irak front the enemy, attempting to advance from Felahie, was repulsed by a counter-attack delivered by our troops, and forced to retreat within their former positions."

PANIC REPORTED ON BERLIN BOURSE

LONDON, Feb. 5.—An Amsterdam dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company says that a panic occurred on the Berlin Bourse today, owing to unconfirmed rumors that relations between America and Germany will be broken off. Prices dropped heavily, the dispatch adds.

HITCH IN TEUTON-MONTENEGRIN PEACE NEGOTIATIONS

VIENNA, Feb. 5.—A hitch has developed in the peace negotiations between Austria and Montenegro, it was semi-officially admitted today.

Actual peace discussions cannot begin until Montenegrin representatives can produce credentials, authorizing them to act. Prince Mirko and the three ministers remaining in Montenegro are on good terms with the Austrians, but have no such credentials.

DIAZ REPORTED IN NEW REBEL MOVEMENT

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—General Felix Diaz is planning to start a new revolution in Mexico and will operate from the Guatemalan side, according to information which reached the Department of Justice today. Diaz is now in New Orleans, where he recently established a junta.

HOPE GIVEN UP FOR MISSING ZEPPELIN

BERLIN, Feb. 5.—Zeppelin L-19, a naval airship, has not returned from a reconnoitering trip and hope for its safety was abandoned today ni view of reports that it was sighted by an English trawler, the King Stephen of Grimsby, drifting submerged in the North Sea.

Though the crew clinging to the parts above water asked help, the press dispatches say, the British crew refused to give it, alleging that the Germans outnumbered them.

VAN DYKE CONFERS WITH LANSING ON MAIL SEIZURES

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—Henry Van Dyke, Minister to The Hague, held a long conference with Secretary of State Lansing today over the British interference with American mails. At its conclusion it was announced that Minister Van Dyke would call at the State Department again next week. Mr. Van Dyke was a passenger on the Rotterdam when that vessel was boarded by a British officer and her mails seized. He presented his card to the British officer and formally protested against the seizure of the American mails at the time.

BRITISH CAPTAINS WARNED TO WATCH FOR RAIDERS

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—The White Star liner Baltic arrived here today from Liverpool ending a voyage during which the officers had kept a sharp watch for German commerce raiders.

Judging by the fact that Captain Finch, commander of the Baltic, was warned to look out for raiders it is believed that the British Admiralty knew of the capture of the Appam for some time before that vessel reached Norfolk.

ITALIAN TOWNS DAMAGED BY SHELLS, SAYS VIENNA

VIENNA, Feb. 5.—Details of the Austro-Hungarian naval attack on the Italian coast are given in the following statement issued by the Admiralty today: "Our cruiser squadron damaged the railway stations, warehouses, factories and floating cranes at Ortona and San Vito Chietino. It also destroyed the railway bridge across the Ariello north of Ortona."

SALANDRA'S RESIGNATION PREDICTED BY BERLIN

BERLIN, Feb. 5.—Berlin papers today predict the resignation of Premier Salandra, of Italy, owing to economic difficulties now existing in Italy and to differences that have arisen between Italy and England on account of supplies and coal.

RIOTERS IN LISBON ATTACK GUARDS AND STORES

PARIS, Feb. 5.—A riot, assuming the proportions of a revolution, began in Lisbon last night and is continuing today. Crowds are attacking the republican guards in the Portuguese capital and pillaging the stores.

CHINESE REBELS BEATEN AND BESIEGED

SHANGHAI, China, Feb. 5.—The rebel army in southwestern China has been shut up in the city of Sui-Fu, accordiing to official advices received here today. The town is being bombarded by Government forces. After winning small successes the rebels were defeated by fresh Government forces that unexpectedly arrived, and retreated to Sui-Fu, leaving 500 dead and abandoning two cannon. The pursuing Government troops were unable to storm the defenses of Sui-Fu, but three other columns have been sent toward that town and are converging for a general assault.

ALLIES COMMANDEER GREEK GOVERNMENT BUILDING

SALONICA, Feb. 5.—The Greek Government's Agricultural School here was taken over by the Anglo-French forces today and will be used as a supply depot.

ROME EXPECTS GREAT GERMAN NAVAL OFFENSIVE

ROME, Feb. 5.—The Agenzia Nazionale learns that Germany is making colossal preparations for a naval offensive in the spring. She will have many ships of a new type capable of withstanding torpedo attacks and armed with guns of 42 and perhaps 50 centimetres (17 and 20 inches). Convinced of the impossibility of obtaining a decisive victory on land, Germany, says the news agency, will attempt a grand coup on the sea, risking everything in order to paralyze the approaching offensive of the Allies.

PRUSSIAN WAR LOSSES TOTAL 2,337,096

LONDON, Feb. 5.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Copenhagen says: "The Prussian casualties list for January contains 36,500 names, bringing the total Prussian losses to 2,337,096. The January list includes the names of 34 airmen killed, 11 wounded and 20 made prisoners. "The list also contains the names of five generals killed and two wounded. The missing include the entire 14th Jager Regiment.

WRECKAGE INDICATES LOSS OF PHILADELPHIA SHIP

LONDON, Feb. 5.—A dispatch to Reuter's from Copenhagen states that nearly the entire Esbjerg fishing fleet had abandoned fishing for the lucrative work of picking up barrels of oil drifting up from the south. Thus far 3000 barrels of lubricating oils, each weighing 450 pounds and variously marked for Copenhagen, Malmoe, Stockholm and Gothenburg, have been recovered. There seems to be no doubt that the barrels are from some ship which has been either mined or torpedoed. Portions of the wreckage are marked "Philadelphia."

BRITISH MISSION SENT TO BELGIAN KING

LONDON, Feb. 5.—An official communication made public here says Lord Curzon, Lord Privy Seal, and General Sir Douglas Haig, commander of the British forces on the Continent, are to proceed on a special mission to the King of the Belgians. Lord Curzon already has left England for that purpose.

Laugh With Zapp and Birsky as They Discuss the Relative Merits of War and Poker, on Page 7 of This Edition