

U. S. MADE MANFULLY MOLES BY BRITISH

Strongest Representation Yet Made on Subject Sent to Great Britain

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 29.—President Wilson, referring to-day to the American note to Great Britain, insisting on better treatment for American commerce, declared that large damages eventually would have to be paid by England for unlawful detention of American cargoes.

The President coupled a confirmation of this morning's publication of the sending of the note and of its contents with the statement that the government could deal confidently with the subject, only if supported by absolutely honest manifests. He said the great embarrassment to the government in dealing with the whole matter was that some shippers had concealed contraband in the cargoes of non-contraband articles for exportation under a cargo of cotton. So long as there were instances of that kind, the President said, suspicion was cast on every shipment and all cargoes were liable to doubt and search.

Will Present German Note. The notification of Germany that American consuls in Belgium must be acceptable to the German military authorities had not been called to the attention of President Wilson early to-day, but he told callers he would give the question careful consideration. Secretary Bryan planned to inform the President of Germany's note at the cabinet meeting.

The communication, prepared by President Wilson and his advisers in the State Department, reaches London to-day and was regarded here as the strongest representation on the subject of commerce made by the United States to any belligerent since the outbreak of war.

In view of the important principles laid down in the note it was expected to have a far-reaching effect on the attitude of other neutral countries toward the general subject of contraband. Some diplomats thought it might hasten the calling of the conference of neutrals proposed by Venezuela to revise rules of international law for the protection of neutral commerce.

France Also Implicated. The note was not the result, it is understood, of any particular violation by Great Britain of what Washington considers its commerce rights, but was intended as a protest against the general attitude of the British government to which France has practically adhered in the treatment of neutral cargoes.

The document points out that the United States was patient in the early days of hostilities, believing that the war had burdened the British foreign trade with such a heavy load that it would be unable to sustain it for more than a few months, however, the situation has grown worse.

Administration officials realize that many millions of claims are accumulating against the British government but the note sets forth that reimbursements alone do not cure the evil, as American exporters are practically intimidated and fear to embark on legitimate export trade.

Relations Peaceful. The American note declares the relations between neutral countries and those of peace and normal times and not of war. The words "absolute" or "conditional contraband" on the view of the American government should not exist. The United States insists that the facts proving that a hostile destination is intended must be shown at the time of a vessel's departure, it claims that the presumption of guilt should not rest on the shipper in neutral commerce, but that the burden of proof should be placed on the belligerent. Similarly a cargo is not to be considered "contraband" unless it is specifically consigned to a neutral country or is of itself a suspicious circumstance, according to the contention of the American note.

FRANK'S EXECUTION STAYED. Washington, Dec. 29.—Justice Lamar, of the Supreme Court, yesterday granted an appeal from the refusal of the Federal District Court for Northern Georgia, to release on habeas corpus proceedings Leo M. Frank, who was held this afternoon at 1 o'clock the Rev. George Detweiler officiating. The body was then taken to Enola by undertaker C. M. Mauk. Services were held in the Enola Church and burial was made in the Enola Cemetery.

MRS. ALICE L. DEHART. Mrs. Alice L. DeHart, aged 54 years, of 818 South Cameron street, early this morning after a week's illness. Funeral services will be held at the home of Mrs. DeHart, 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon, at 2 o'clock the Rev. Frank P. McKenzie, pastor of the Calvary Presbyterian Church, officiating. Burial will be made in the Enola Cemetery. Mrs. DeHart is survived by her husband, William F. DeHart, one son, Edwin, one daughter, Mrs. David P. Daugherty, all of this city; two grandchildren, her father, Thomas Zeigler; one brother, John, of England; two sisters, Anna and Mrs. J. J. Weigel.

MERREYNOLDS FUNERAL. Funeral services for Andrew J. Merreynolds, son of the late H. Franklin and Sarah C. Merreynolds, were held at the home of Mrs. Frank, 1224 Philadelphia, burial was made at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon in Philadelphia. He is survived by his son, and the following sisters: Mrs. Sally J. Ziegler, Mrs. George S. McGowan, Miss Mary Y. Merreynolds, and one brother, H. Frank Merreynolds, of Waterbury, Conn.

GEORGE SWARTZ. Funeral services for George Swartz, aged 68 years, who died at the Dauphin County Almshouse, Sunday evening, will be held in Carlisle to-morrow afternoon, at 2 o'clock. The body will be taken to Carlisle by the Carlisle Express. Burial will be made in the Carlisle Cemetery. Mr. Swartz is survived by one son, Clarence.

HOW HE QUIT TOBACCO. This veteran, S. B. Lamphere, was addicted to the excessive use of tobacco for many years. He wanted to quit but needed something to help him. He learned of a free book that tells about tobacco habit and how to conquer it quickly, easily and safely. In a recent letter he writes: "I have no desire for tobacco any more. I feel like a new man." Any one desiring a copy of this book on tobacco habit, smoking and chewing, can get it free, simply by writing to Edward J. Woods, 92 D. Station E. New York City. You will be surprised and pleased. Look for quieter nerves, stronger heart, better digestion, improved eyesight, increased vigor, longer life and other advantages if you quit poisoning yourself.

KAISER BEATS TIME FOR MARRIAGE

Singing Swells as Emperor Leads in Church Service in France

Special to The Telegraph. London, Dec. 29.—The Chronicle reports from the Neue Freie Presse, a Vienna newspaper, an interesting account of the Kaiser at church in a French village near Longwy. Preparations had been made for the Emperor's presence. The walls were decorated with lances; over a thousand men took up their position on one side, and an equal number on the other. In the front seats were the generals and the Kaiser's suite.

An armchair in the center was for the Kaiser. He appeared in a gray field uniform, with a scarlet and gold embroidered collar. Over the uniform he wore a long gray mantle. He looked grave, exceedingly grave, and much older than the official of the sketch imagined him; his features so motionless, his eyes so set and stern, that they looked as if chiseled in stone.

He rose from his seat at the prayers and hymns, and in the singing took an active part. The hymns, apparently, were all familiar to him, as he seldom looked at the hymn book. At the conclusion of the service a choir of singers and trumpeters sang the famous "Wir Treten Zum Beten" ("We March to Prayer").

At first it was not rendered with the necessary fire and vigor, and this displeasing the Kaiser, he marked time vigorously. As the choir followed him the music grew louder and louder and more spirited until it thrilled all who heard it.

When all was over and the benediction pronounced, the Kaiser shook hands with the pastor and thanked him for the impressive service.

GERMANS & AUSTRIANS IN EAST RETREAT

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mittee to consider measures for the prevention of gun deafness among soldiers and sailors calls attention to an added terror of war which has been much discussed recently in military and medical circles. "The enemy may not deprive you of life or limb," writes a medical correspondent, "but it is fairly certain that your own army will slowly but surely make you deaf."

GERMAN MINES CAUSE LOSSES

Times Authoritative States British Have Laid None Off East Coast

By Associated Press. London, Dec. 29, 4.45 A. M.—Commenting on the fact that eight vessels have been lost in the North Sea since Christmas eve owing to mines, the Times to-day says: "Many people have been under the impression that some of these losses were caused by hitting British mines. It can be stated authoritatively that not a single British mine has been laid down off the east coast of England.

The loss falls most heavily on neutral shipping which, however, has been warned repeatedly by the admiralty that the German mines are insecurely anchored and likely to drift considerable distances."

RUSS CROSS LAURIN RIVER

Petrograd, Dec. 28.—The following official communication from the headquarters of the army of the Caucasus was issued to-night: "In the direction of Olti (Transcaucasus) our troops, having crossed the Laurin river, arrested the progress of considerable Turkish forces. In the region of Sari Kamysh the fighting is developing. On December 28 in the region of Dutlu our advance troops, in the occupation of the line between Khamour and Agadene. The Turks withdrew having suffered grave losses.

The other front there has been no change."

FRENCH TAKE TRENCHES

Arras, Northern France, Sunday, Dec. 27, 6 P. M., via Paris, Dec. 29, 11.55 A. M.—That portion of the French army which is holding the lines near Arras to-day attacked the Germans on a front of twelve miles long. They carried half a mile of German trenches near Lens by assault and to-night they are holding these positions in force.

54 BRITISH SHIPS SUNK

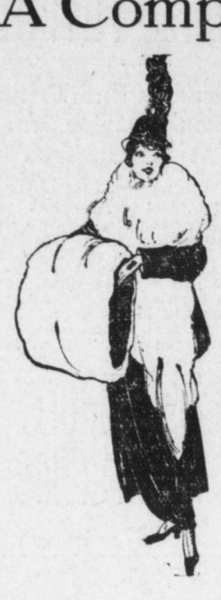
London, Dec. 29.—During the first four months of the war, fifty-four British merchant ships, valued at \$11,400,000 with a cargo of worth \$18,800,000 were captured or destroyed by the enemy. These are the official figures of the Liverpool and London War Risks Insurance Association.

Germany Say American Consuls in Belgium Must Be Acceptable to Them

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 28.—Secretary Bryan received to-day the formal notification from Germany that American consuls in Belgium must be acceptable to the German military authorities and asking for the withdrawal of certain consuls for the present at least. "The United States has consular representatives only in Brussels, Antwerp, Liege and Ghent. Since the war broke out they have been engaged chiefly in looking after refugees and aiding in relief work as there was little regular work to do.

Although the text of the communication has not been made public, it is believed in official circles to be similar to the one sent Argentina and other neutral countries and that while the Berlin government is not insistent that consuls in Belgium take out new exequaturs, from German officials it announces that such consuls must perform their duties only by permission from the military authorities controlling the territory in which the consulates are located.

Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart. Now in Progress. A Complete Clearance of Women's Suits at Savings That Show Big Economies



\$18.50 dark blue serge suits; hip length coats, pleated skirt with long tunic. \$12.50 \$25.00 black broadcloth suits; velvet belt, collar and cuffs, yoke skirt \$15.00 \$20.00 chiffon broadcloth suits in green and black; full length coats with simulated belt of velvet \$20.00 \$27.50 gabardine suits in green and brown; full length plain tailored coats; yoke skirt with pleats \$20.00 \$25.00 chiffon broadcloth suits in navy, green and black; coat with wide velvet belt finished with braid and buttons; yoke skirt with pleats \$16.50 \$22.50 velvet suits in plum, green, black and navy; collar and cuffs finished with broadtail; wide satin stole sash, plain, tailored skirt \$22.50 \$35.00 velvet suits; short coat with the long back; skirt and jacket trimmed with broad bands of self-colored broadtail. \$25.00 \$25.00 chiffon broadcloth suits in green, navy, black and plum; three-quarter length coat finished with velvet buttons; skirt of full pleats \$15.00 \$55.00 black velvet suit; jacket made with surplice front and long back; plain tailored skirt \$25.00 \$65.00 duvetyne suits; long coat with the yoke front, leopard skin collar; skirt made with gathered back \$20.00

An End-of-the-Year Attraction for Tomorrow

5 lbs. of Sugar for 24c in a Combination Grocery Sale

- 5 lbs. granulated sugar 24c
1 lb. Banquet coffee 30c
1 lb. fancy head rice 10c
One can early June peas 25c
One can hand packed tomatoes 25c
One can Old Dutch Cleanser 9c
98c
Fancy Florida Oranges 20c
dozen 20c
Juicy grape fruit, 5c 6
for 25c
Fancy mixed nuts, lb. 18c
Choice layer figs, lb. 18c
Cape Cod cranberries, qt. 10c
White grapes, lb. 15c
Tuna fish; a delicious substitute for chicken 20c
salads and sandwiches 24c
Red Alaska salmon, tall cans 14c
Dried beef, 1/4 lb. 10c
Mince ham, lb. 20c
Sugar, lb. cured Bacon, sliced, lb. 28c
"Majorie" sugar cured hams, average 12 pounds each, lb. 20c
Full cream cheese, lb. 23c
Switzer cheese, lb. 35c
Kaiser Limburger, lb. 28c
Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Basement
New Norway mackerel, 5c
Best seeded raisins, pkg. 12c
Best cleaned currants, pkg. 13c
Glace lemon peel, lb. 10c
Queen olives, large jars, 25c
Olives filled with celery, 25c
Sandwich olives, large jars 23c
Large stuffed mushrooms, each 5c
Star pickles, Mason top jars, each 12c
Peanut butter, the very best, lb. 15c; 2 lbs. 28c
Heinz applebutter in convenient 3-lb. crocks, each 35c
Purity coffee, 1-lb. cans, 40c
Banquet coffee, lb. 30c
Record coffee, lb. 25c
Our Favorite tea, lb. 45c
Senate tea, lb. 45c
Absolutely pure cocoa; lb. 15c; 2 lbs. 28c

Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart. A Pre-Inventory Clearance of Books Brings Fiction From the \$1.35 Shelves Down to 25c

There are stacks of books covering many titles, including: The Deserters, Isle of Life, The Life Mask, Fortuna, A Woman of Genius, Freebooters of the Wilderness, The Lovers of Skye, George Helm, Marie Claire, The Price, The De Percy Affair, Black and White, An Affair of Dishonor, The Vortex, Hat a Rogue. Books from the Everyman's Library enter the pre-Inventory Clearance at 25c. Boys' 50c books are marked 25c in the clearance. Shelf marked books and books of fiction from the Reading Club Library are now offered at 25c. Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart—Street Floor.

Boxed Stationery, Soiled at the Hands of Christmas Crowds, Now in a Clearance at One-Third to One-Half Off

The boxes alone show finger marks, so if you are not finicky about the box itself you will enjoy a very material saving in the writing paper. Pre-Christmas prices were 38c to \$3.00. Choose to-morrow at a saving of one-third to one-half.

Famous Makes of Women's Kid Gloves of Quality

Women's two-clasp kid gloves in black, white and colors—Trefousse, Fownes, Perrin and Centemeri makes—\$1.75 to \$2.25. Women's two-clasp kid gloves in black, white and colors, \$1.50. Women's two-clasp kid gloves in white, tan and grey, 85c. Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Street Floor.

Display Pieces in Art Needlework at Half Price

These models have served their purpose of showing the finished product of art needlework designs and have been reduced a half for an immediate clearance. The lot consists of hand-embroidered scarfs, centerpieces, pillow tops, shirtwaists, children's dresses and infants' goods. Formerly \$3.00 to \$15.00. In the Clearance Sale at \$1.50 to \$7.50. Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Third Floor.

Fancy Linens at Half Price

Cleaning up all mused and soiled fancy linens, including doilies, scarfs, table covers, shams and centerpieces at half their former prices. GOOD VALUES IN TOWELS. 15c to 18c part linen huck towels, 18x36 and 18x28 inches. Clearance price, 4 for \$1.00. 10c asbestos pot holders. Clearance price, 25c. 39c initialed bath towels—J, H, O, R, T, G and V—embroidered in blue. Clearance price 25c. \$1.50 fancy embroidered huck towels. Clearance price \$1.00. PILLOW CASES AND SPREADS. \$1.50 embroidered linen pillow cases, 45x36. Clearance price, pair, 98c. Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart—Street Floor, Rear.

CLAIM \$10,000 FOR CROSSING ACCIDENTS

Two Trespass Suits For \$5,000 Each Growing Out of Second Street Subway Filed

Two trespass claims aggregating \$10,000 were filed to-day with Prothonotary H. F. Holler by counsel for victims of accidents at the second crossing of the railroad tracks at Mulberry street.

One suit of \$5,000 was instituted by Mrs. Amelia Walters, widow of John Walters, a former employe of the Harrisburg Railway Company who was killed when a sliding rail struck him as he was helping to unload the heavy mass of metal in the new Second street subway December 19.

The other action is more than a year old, dating back to December 17, 1913, when a Northern Central train struck the Paxton chemical apparatus as the vehicle was crossing the tracks at Second street enroute to a fire. Driver Charles B. Sharp, the plaintiff, declares that the safety gates were not being properly attended at the time. The Northern Central is made defendant in the sum of \$5,000.

Realty Transfers.—Realty transfers in the city and county included the following: D. J. Sparrow to State, 519 North alley, \$1,522.20 was exchanged and Loan to Paul A. Kunkel, Highspire, \$500; C. C. Lebo to James F. Shiley, Halifax township, \$300; Joseph Franz to Union Building and Loan Association, 459; Union Building and Loan Association to Barbara Rauch, \$402, and George W. Stine to Barbara Rauch \$490, all of Union Deposit; H. Phillips et al to Carrie Leterman, Union Deposit, \$600.

Law Library Balance \$1,419.89.—By the annual report of the treasurer of the Dauphin county law library filed yesterday afternoon with Prothonotary H. F. Holler, the comfortable balance of \$1,419.89 is shown to be available for the ensuing year. At the beginning of the year just past the balance on hand was \$1,305.59. During the year the county's share of maintenance amounted to \$1,750, making the total available receipts \$3,055.59. During the twelve-month period \$1,522.20 was expended for books and \$52.11 for stationery and other supplies, a total of \$1,635.41.

Sheriff Sales Date Fixed.—The first of sheriff's sale for 1915 will be held Thursday, January 7. More than a dozen properties are scheduled to go under the hammer.

APPROVE INCREASED RATES

Washington, Dec. 29.—Increased rates for switching intra-state affecting the Baltimore and Ohio railroad in Baltimore were approved to-day by the Interstate Commerce Commission. The commission vacated a suspension and the new charges will become effective December 31.

TO BUY NEW X-RAY

Arrangements have been made by the board of managers of the Harrisburg Hospital to purchase a new \$2,000 X-ray machine for use at the institution. The machine will be of the latest type.

Pennsylvania Farm Products Head Entire Country in Average Values

Division Freight Agent of P. R. R. Distributing Valuable Statistics Showing Agricultural Position of State

Comparative agriculture statistics for the year show Pennsylvania doing a big business in staple farm products. Interesting figures are being distributed by William J. Rose, division freight agent of the Pennsylvania Railroad, 408 Market street, Harrisburg.

A study of the statistics is urged by Mr. Rose, who calls attention to their value to every Pennsylvanian. The figures give a comparison of certain commodities raised in the United States with those raised in Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania leads in everything. In the average farm price, except buckwheat, rye and tobacco. The average total yield value per acre in the United States is \$16.93; in Pennsylvania, \$22.12. The table follows:

Table with columns: COMMODITY, TERRITORY, Total Acreage, Average Yield per acre, Total Production, Average Farm Price Dec. 1, Total Farm Crop Value Dec. 1. Rows include BARLEY, BUCKWHEAT, CORN, HAY, OATS, POTATOES, RYE, TOBACCO, WHEAT, and PERCENTAGE.

GINGER SNAP BILL AT THE ORPHEUM

Kitty Gordon in "Alma's Return" Headliner; Every Act a Livewire

more than all the others with the exception, of course, of Miss Gordon. Miss Muriel is a nifty little lady and her partner is a high class entertainer. They do a "one word" tragedy that is side-splitting. Nan Halperin sings and impersonates various phases of vaudeville in a snappy way. Marie Elaine, "The Tanhauser Kid" of movie fame is one of the most attractive features of the bill.

COUNTY WEEKLIES ORGANIZE. Representatives of eleven Dauphin county weekly newspapers met yesterday and organized the Dauphin County Weekly Newspaper Association. The combined circulations of between 25,000 and 30,000 copies. The following officers were elected: J. B. Seal, editor Millerstown Herald, president; C. G. Nissley, West End Reporter, Harrisburg, secretary. The executive committee will fix the date of the next meeting. On the committee are L. O. Nissley, Middletown Press; Harry Lowengard, Harrisburg Courier; Charles R. Shope, Halifax Gazette; Charles M. Coles, Lykens Standard; and P. W. Heartwell, Hummelstown Sun.

JESSE WELLS LODGE HEAD. Jesse Wells, aged 18, of Cloverly Heights, is one of the youngest lodge presidents of Eastern Pennsylvania. At a meeting last night of Camp 716, F. O. S. of A., Mr. Wells was unanimously elected president. Other officers were elected for the new year.

GETTYSBURG BOARD IN SESSION HERE

New Four Hundred Students in College; Dean Mathews Given Degree

At a meeting of the board of trustees of Gettysburg College to-day in Zion Lutheran Church, Dean Shailer Mathews of the Divinity School of the University of Chicago, was given the honorary degree of doctor of laws. The trustees decided to establish a new course in history and political science. Another election was that of Steven Remington Wing, of Cornell University, who was made full professor of the mechanical and electrical department at Gettysburg.

Business transacted at to-day's meeting was mostly of a routine character. John F. Dapp, of Harrisburg, presided over the sessions. Twenty-five out of thirty-six trustees attended.

The committee in charge of the campaign for new buildings reported progress and announced that during the ensuing year the work would show increased activity. Four hundred students are now enrolled at the college. In discussing the work of the college, reference was made to the two oldest living graduates of Gettysburg College. They are the Rev. William Gerhart, of Martinsburg, W. Va., 87 years old, and the Rev. F. Eyster, D. D., of Crete, Neb., 93 years of age. The Rev. Eyster entered college from Harrisburg and graduated in 1839, while the Rev. Mr. Gerhart entered from Berlin, Pa., and graduated in 1841. The trustees adopted appropriate resolutions congratulating these ministers.

Dr. Dean Shailer Mathews who was honored to-day, is a writer and lecturer of national reputation and is the president of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America. The constituent bodies of this council consist of thirty of the leading Protestant Evangelical denominations in America, numbering 16,000,000 communicant members and 29,000,000 additional adherents. Included among those present to-day were: William Gladfelter, Spring Grove, Pa.; Dr. George B. Kunkel, Harrisburg; John F. Dapp, Harrisburg; the Rev. Dr. Blumhardt, Altoona; H. E. Kneubel, New York City, and Henry C. Picking, Gettysburg, secretary of the board of trustees.

WILLIAMS MAKES REPORT

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., Dec. 29.—Comptroller Williams, of the Currency Bureau, submitted his annual report to Congress to-day. It covers the beginning of the transition from the old national banking system to the new Federal Reserve system, as well as the operations of more than 7,000 national banks which have become part of the new bank law and the steps by which it was put into operation. The Comptroller makes several recommendations for new legislation.

A Cold House Means Sickness

Heavy colds, pneumonia and even tuberculosis are frequently the result of a cold house. An even warmth is essential to your family's health and even heating requires good fuel. Montgomery coal is all coal, burns evenly, thoroughly and gives the maximum in heat value. Try a ton the next time.

J. B. MONTGOMERY. Both Phones Third and Chestnut Streets