



AIRSHIPS ATTACK 6 TOWNS IN ENGLAND

Two Dead at Yarmouth and Two at Kings Lynn, Result of Ger- man Raid

PRIVATE HOUSES AND SHOPS HIT

Few Public Buildings or Docks Appear to Have Been Injured—Raiding Airmen Show Excellent Ability in Piloting Their Craft

By Associated Press.

London, Jan. 20.—German airmen delivered their long predicted attack on England last night. From a base presumably in Germany they flew over the North sea to the eastern coast of England, where for nearly four hours they circled over a group of some six English towns only a little more than 100 miles from London, apparently dropping bombs at will.

Whether these airships were Zeppelins, dirigible balloons or aeroplanes has not yet been definitely established. There is increasing belief in London this morning that possibly only aeroplanes took part in the attack. There has been no news so far to-day to confirm the report current last night that a Zeppelin had been brought down on the English coast. On the contrary, it now appears as though all the German raiders have returned whence they came. The most important towns over which the German airmen appeared were Sandringham, Yarmouth, Sheringham, Hunstanton, Cromer, Heacham, Dersingham and Kings Lynn. King George had left Sandringham only a few hours before the Germans visited it.

Most of the damage appears to have been inflicted upon private houses and shops; few public buildings or docks seem to have been injured.

The raiding airmen showed excellent ability to pilot their vessels, as well as good marksmanship. In spite of the darkness of the night, they seemed to find their way over the country with remarkable directness, and the accuracy of their aim with bombs was greater than generally had been believed possible.

Among those killed is one soldier. The property damage does not exceed a few thousand dollars. A shoemaker and a woman were killed at Yarmouth, and a civilian and the soldier lost their lives at Kings Lynn.

The police reports from the towns upon which bombs were thrown say that the public responded very well to the raid instructions recently made public. For the most part the people took refuge in their cellars. Several theatres were emptied quietly.

An unexploded bomb found in Yarmouth weighed six pounds and is cone-shaped.

Comment of the British press on the airship attack is bitter in tone, many of the London papers assailing the Germans in the same unmeasured language as at the time of the Hartlepool naval raid. The event is being used as a text for editorials urging more rapid recruiting.

The "Pall Mall Gazette" says the only fitting answer is the sending of fresh armies to the continent. The "Westminster Gazette" characterizes the raid as a violation of the rules of warfare. The "Globe" urges retaliation in kind, observing that there are several flourishing towns within easy reach of British airmen.

A press dispatch from Yarmouth says it is generally believed there that the raiders of last night came in aeroplanes of large size.

YARMOUTH PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND RAILWAYS NOT DAMAGED

Yarmouth, Jan. 20, Via London, 6.30 A. M.—Careful inquiries thus far made regarding last night's aerial raid go to show that public buildings and the railways escaped damage, which is almost wholly confined to private houses and shops.

So far as is now known, only two persons, a man and a woman, were killed here. It so happened that most of the inhabitants were indoors when the raid occurred. Fragments of metal supposed to have been thrown by the bombs, are being found in all directions. The whole thing was quickly over and fortunately no fires broke out in any part of the town. The first impulse of the townspeople was to rush out of doors, but many, on finding that the alarm was an air attack by the Ger-

mans, quickly returned to their homes and took refuge in the basements.

Troops Assist the Police
Troops were turned out to assist the police in the search for wounded. Another air craft appeared here soon after midnight, but dropped no bombs. The chief constable of Yarmouth, in telling of the raid, said:

"The people stood the raid very well. About 400 special constables were called out. All Red Cross and hospital arrangements proved perfect. All lights were extinguished and public performances at the theatres and music halls were abandoned. The people went home and the town was without light until morning."

Where Greatest Damage Was Done
The first air raider passed along the sea front and dropped the first bomb into Norfolk Square garden, close by the beach, and the Britannia pier. This did no damage. The raider then proceeded in a southwesterly direction across town and when near the center dropped several bombs in the neighborhood of St. Peter's road, the main thoroughfare leading to the parade grounds. It was here that the greatest damage was done, especially in the smashing of windows in houses and

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**RUSSIANS SILENCE GERMAN
ARTILLERY FIRE AT KONOPKI**

Petrograd, Jan. 20.—An official communication issued by the general staff of the Russian army indicates considerable activity and fighting on the right bank of the lower Vistula. The statement follows:

"During the 17th and 18th of January, on the right bank of the lower Vistula, upon the front running from the river to the railroad from Warsaw to Milawia, a portion of our troops, having come in close contact with the enemy, had a series of collisions of secondary importance.

"Fighting of a more grave character, though having the nature of separate actions, took place in the village of Konopki, where the heavy artillery with which the enemy bombarded us was silenced by the fire of our batteries, and near Bodranow and Bejunia, opposite which the enemy occupied well organized defensive positions. Heavy fighting also occurred near Dobrzyń, where an offensive attempt of the Germans was blocked and the enemy was driven back sustaining grave losses.

"During the day of January 17, the enemy bombarded from his positions on the west bank of the Vistula our lines near Wyszogrod, but our fire, directed upon his front and flank, silenced the German artillery.

"On January 18 the Germans violently cannonaded the village of Vilkowitz and the entrenchments occupied by us on the left bank of the Buzra. There is no material change on the other fronts."

LATE WAR NEWS SUMMARY

A German airship raid on English east coast towns last night resulted in four or five deaths, the injury of several persons and damage to property. So far as is known, the Germans who performed this spectacular feat escaped unscathed. Earlier reports that one Zeppelin was brought down have not been borne out. It has not yet been established whether aeroplanes or Zeppelins were employed by the raiders.

An official Russian statement to-day describes a series of actions along the Vistula northwest of Warsaw during January 17 and 18. In three of these engagements, it is said, the Russians won the advantage, twice silencing German batteries and on another occasion repulsing an attack with heavy loss to the Germans.

Two victories over the British forces operating near the head of the Persian gulf are claimed by the Turkish War Office in a statement issued at Constantinople. It is asserted that the British attempted a surprise attack on the Turks, but were repulsed with the loss of 100 killed and wounded. In a cavalry engagement near the junction of the Tigris and Euphrates rivers the British are reported to have withdrawn after heavy losses.

In Alsace, where the allies were making progress until checked recently by the arrival of German reinforcements, they now apparently are on the defensive. The official statement from Berlin to-day says the Germans have captured the town of Airstein, north of Senheim. A further advance in the Argonne also is reported, but this is disputed in the French statement, which asserts that the allies, although compelled to evacuate certain positions, later recaptured them. Elsewhere along the western front only minor actions, principally artillery engagements, occurred yesterday.

U. S. ASKS BRITAIN WHY THE GREENBRIER WAS DETAINED

Washington, Jan. 20.—The State Department has requested of the British embassy information of why the American steamer Greenbrier, from New York to Bremen with cotton under a certificate of the British consulate at New York was stopped by a British cruiser, sent under the British flag to a British port and detained two days before being allowed to complete her voyage to Bremen.

Five Die While Seeking Mines

The Hague, Via London, Jan. 20, 9.55 A. M.—The Dutch naval patrol boat Toitan, while searching for mines off Nieuw Sluis, struck a mine and disappeared under the waves. One officer and four men were lost and only fragments of their corpses were recovered.

ADAMS LOSES IN EFFORT TO BUCK SLATE IN HOUSE

Voted Down, 133 to 35, When He Tries to Get an Appointment for Bull Mooser

"PLUM TREES" SHAKEN TO-DAY

After the First Lively Clash in the Present Legislative Session the House Adjourns to Meet on the Evening of Next Monday

When the shaking of the "plum tree" was over in the House this morning, Representative "Bill" Adams, of Luzerne county, started a movement against the report of the Slate Committee by bringing on a contest for the position of Reading Clerk. G. J. F. Falkenstein, of Allegheny county, had been endorsed by the Slate Committee for the place but Adams wished to have the name of David J. Davies, of Allegheny, submitted.

Chairman Woodward, of the Slate Committee, stated that 29 of 31 members of the committee had signed the report and that the reason Mr. Davies' name was not considered favorably was that he was secretary of the Allegheny county Washington Party committee during the last campaign. Mr. Woodward stated "this is a Republican slate."

Representative Adams asked for the election of Mr. Davies, who held the position in the last session of the Legislature, and said that although it had been stated that Mr. Davies served as secretary of the Washington Party committee it was because he was out of a job and that it did not have any political significance as Mr. Davies was a "good Republican." Mr. Falkenstein was elected by the House by a vote of 133 to 35.

The session opened with prayer by Representative Bangard, of Westmoreland county, and then Speaker Ambler announced the standing committees of the House for the session.

After the committees had been announced Representative Dodds, of Allegheny county, who was appointed on the Legislative Apportionment Committee, and Representative Dawson, of Lackawanna county, appointed on Mines and Mining Committee, exchanged committee assignments with the consent of the Speaker.

Speaker Ambler appointed the important committee on Rules as follows: W. H. Wilson, Philadelphia; Jones, Susquehanna; Witaker, Chester; Vickerman, Allegheny; Shafer, Columbia. A communication from Adjutant General Thomas J. Stewart concerning the appointment of two members of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Soldiers and Sailors' Home in Erie was read and Speaker Ambler appointed Representatives Gransback, of Philadelphia, and McCaig, of Allegheny, as the directors from the House of Representatives.

The House adjourned at 11.25 to meet on Monday evening, January 25, at 9 p. m.

"PLUMS" DISTRIBUTED IN THE HOUSE THIS MORNING

The following are the minor offices of the House as announced in the report made by the slate committee this morning and adopted:

Journal clerk, Allegheny, J. Edward Brackney; assistant journal clerk, Luzerne, Salvatore De Pierre; reading clerk, Allegheny, George J. F. Falkenstein; desk clerk, Jefferson, Quay H. Hewitt; Schuykill, Thomas Herb; message clerk, Delaware, Edward Maher; bill book clerk, Philadelphia, Edward Korbb; bills in place book clerk, Allegheny, Fred. Spreen; petition book clerk, Philadelphia, Charles Keezer; transcribing clerk, Montgomery, David Benningshoff; Union, W. E. House; Butler, John H. Negley; Dauphin, Walter Kiestler; Erie, Joseph Bowman. Sergeant at arms, Philadelphia, Oscar Baird; assistant sergeant at arms, Allegheny, S. Y. McFarland; Lancaster, J. W. McCune; Lackawanna, W. T. Reynolds; Fayette, Henry Douglas; York, Daniel Lehn; Westmoreland, S.

WHITE HOUSE BABY NAMED

President's New Grandson Will Be Known As Francis
By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 20.—Francis will be the name of President Wilson's grandson, the child of Mr. and Mrs. Francis B. Sayre, who was born at the White House Sunday. The announcement was made to-day by Mr. Sayre. Some of the family wanted to call the baby Woodrow Wilson Sayre or Woodrow Sayre, but the President thought the child should have an individuality of his own.

No date has been set for the christening, but it probably will be held in the White House. President Wilson probably will be the godfather. Both Mrs. Sayre and the baby continued to progress favorably to-day.

KAUFMAN AND POMEROY TO REBUILD ON OLD SITES

Both of the Principal Losers in Monday's Big Fire Will Have Temporary Quarters Pending Erection of New Structures

Insurance adjusters to-day began taking account of the losses caused by the fire on Monday night which wrecked the Kaufman and Pomeroy stores, 4 to 8 South Market Square. Nothing like a definite statement on the total loss could be made by the experts this afternoon. Salvage crews went to work under their direction.

David Kaufman, the largest individual loser, has opened headquarters in room No. 74, Union Trust Building. He said this morning he expects to be pleased with the reception given them wherever they went.

S. S. Pomeroy, whose store on the ground floor of 8 South Market Square, was wiped out by the fire, has moved across the Square to No. 5 and expects

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MORE PAVING FOR 2ND ST.

Ordinance Introduced Providing For Extension of Asphalt Surface to Schuykill Street

Ordinances providing for additional street paving and revising the city mercantile tax laws were offered at the meeting of the City Commissioners this afternoon.

The paving measure covers the section of North Second street from Duclair to Schuykill, while under the tax revision measure provides that one-horse carts and wagons will be taxed only \$2 instead of \$5, and two or more horse teams will be charged \$4 only instead of \$5. Slight changes also are proposed in the tax charged against garage owners, the amounts varying according to the size of the business places.

Commissioner Gorgas put in a supplemental report on the city's financial standing and announced that his annual printed report will be ready for distribution within a fortnight.

Ordinances passed finally to-day included a measure abolishing the bill providing for the opening of that section of the river front between South street and a point 85 feet north of Liberty street, one exonerating St. Andrew's Protestant Episcopal church from the payment of paving assessments, and another giving the Park Commissioner authority to award a contract for the installation of electric lights on the river front and at the Twelfth street playground.

HITS WIFE; TAKES COUNT

William Rosenberger Knocked Down Twice, Kicked in the Ribs and Then Sent to Jail

Mr. and Mrs. William Rosenberger, of New Cumberland, who came to Harrisburg to witness the inaugural ceremonies yesterday, were ruthlessly separated by the police at 10 o'clock last night.

Thinking he was being insulted by three men in Market square, Rosenberger used language not altogether proper and his good wife reproved him, according to the police. He then turned on her and struck her in the face, felling her to the street. One of the men, who had been addressed by Rosenberger, the police say, took up Mrs. Rosenberger's fight, and knocked her husband down twice and then kicked him in the ribs several times.

Policeman Romick arrived at this juncture and took Mr. and Mrs. Rosenberger to the police station. Rosenberger was committed to jail for a hearing on a disorderly practice charge and Mrs. Rosenberger was sent home.

ENLISTED MAN IS HELD

Faces Charges in Police Court and Possible Dismissal From Guard

As a result of alleged insubordination William Wonderly, an enlisted man in Company G, Eighth regiment, N. G. P., of Carlisle, faces a disorderly practice charge in police court in this city and the prospect of being dismissed from the regiment for the good of the service.

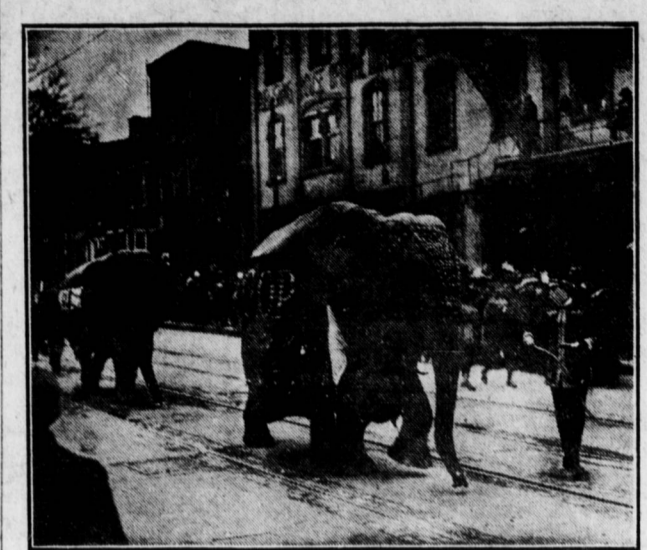
His company came to Harrisburg yesterday as one of the provisional regiments in the inaugural parade and he got into a convivial mood, according to the police, and disobeyed orders. One of the officers of the company took him to police headquarters and said he would prefer civil charges against him in police court and intended that his stay in the National Guard would be short.

Mayor Royal fined Wonderly \$5 this afternoon.

Wilson Resigns From Police Force
Patrolman James Wilson, who about a year ago was appointed a member of the police force of Harrisburg, has resigned to take a position on Capitol Hill. The resignation was accepted by the City Commissioners this afternoon and will become effective this evening.

Harry Dickey, of the Seventh ward, was named to succeed Wilson this afternoon. At a late hour the name had not been acted on.

G. O. P. ELEPHANTS IN THE PARADE



The two elephants, labeled "G. O. P." and "Uncle Dave," which participated in the inaugural parade yesterday and were for a time quite the talk of the town, left the city in their private car late yesterday afternoon. The yhad nothing to say regarding the events of the day, but seemed to be pleased with the reception given them wherever they went.

During their stay here, while not

parading, they remained in their car. It had been suggested that they be offered the hospitality of Capitol Hill and lodged in the basement of the Museum Building, but they seemed satisfied in their railroad quarters and it was decided that the safest thing would be to let them remain there. They dined heartily on many bales of hay, their work of helping to inaugurate a new Governor seemingly adding zest to their appetites.

HEALTH OFFICER ALARMED AT LOW RATE OF BIRTHS

Dr. Raunick, in Annual Report, Laments an Increase of Only 38 in Visits of the Stork

IS DEATH RATE AT MINIMUM?

Head of Bureau Suggests That It May Not Be Possible to Bring It Below the Figure for the Last Year— Many Recommendations Are Made

URGED BY HEALTH BUREAU
Two additional sanitary officers. Extension of the powers of the Food Inspectors.

Legislation abolishing signs that overhang sidewalks. Relief for First and Second Ward residents whose cellars become filled with water when the Susquehanna river is high.

Measure to abolish entirely disease-breeding outdoor toilets. Traction companies be compelled to operate street sprinklers over their lines in the city at regular intervals.

Flooding of city streets and sewers by the Highway Department, the work to be done at night.

Co-operation of the City Commissioners with the County Commissioners and the Dauphin county Directors of the Poor, with a view to establishing a Municipal Hospital for the care of patients suffering with contagious diseases.

Comments on an insignificant increase in the number of births in the city in 1914 over the previous year, a small decrease in the death rate and the proportionately small growth in population, along with a number of improvement recommendations are contained in the fifth annual report of Dr. John M. J. Raunick, Chief Health Officer of the City Bureau of Health and Sanitation, which was presented to the City Commissioners this afternoon.

The report deals with the number of different diseases, the causes of death, methods of sanitation, observance of quarantine, and, in fact, every matter that comes within the jurisdiction of the Health Bureau.

There were 1,360 births in 1914 as compared with 1,322, in 1913, showing an increase of but 38. There were fewer deaths in Harrisburg last year than the year before, but it is alleged by

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SUSQUEHANNA AGAIN RISING

Maximum Stage of Twelve Feet Predicted by To-morrow Morning

As a result of recent rains in the Susquehanna valley, the river is again on the rise at this place, increasing four feet in the twenty-four hours before 8 o'clock this morning, at which time the stage here was 10.7 feet. A further rise to 12 feet is expected here by to-morrow morning.

Since the ice moved off the river it has been generally high, twice nearing the 12-foot stage, and it is impossible as yet to tell if any damage has been done to the municipal dam or the Cumberland Valley pier workings. Generally fair and colder weather will continue, local Weather Bureau officials forecasting a minimum temperature of 28 degrees for to-night.

ALLEGED FORGER TRAGICALLY ENDS LIFE ON A TRAIN

Charles Ledowsky Tel- egraphs Undertaker to Meet His Body on Arrival at Chicago

WAS PRESIDENT DISTILLING CO.

Suicide Said to Have Issued Forged Warehouse Receipts As Collateral For Loans, Plunging the Fox River Concern Into Bankruptcy

By Associated Press.

Chicago, Jan. 20.—Charles Ledowsky, president of the Fox River Distilling Company, of Chicago, whose name has been mentioned in connection with the alleged forged warehouse receipts of R. F. Wathen & Company, of Louisville, committed suicide by shooting on a railroad train entering Chicago to-day.

Ledowsky was on a Michigan Central train from Syracuse, N. Y. He telegraphed ahead to an undertaker, requesting him to meet the train and take charge of his body as he intended to kill himself.

An involuntary petition in bankruptcy was filed against Ledowsky's company last Monday, scheduling assets of \$20,000 against liabilities of \$250,000 or \$300,000.

Attorney Sidney Stein, representing Ledowsky's creditors, stated that Ledowsky had confessed to him that he had forged warehouse receipts for whiskey valued at \$250,000 or \$300,000 and disposed of them through banks which he victimized.

In the confession Ledowsky names a business man of Chicago as being the only person besides himself who knew that the securities were fraudulent.

"He discounted them by keeping for himself about \$25,000 and made me sign accommodation notes for about \$30,000," reads the confession.

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 20.—Warehouse receipts for \$55,000 purporting to have been issued by the government to R. F. Wathen & Co., Louisville, distillers, were produced here to-day by a representative of a Chicago bank and branded by Mr. Wathen as forgeries.

In a statement to-day Mr. Wathen indicated that the alleged forgeries may total more than \$100,000.

The receipts, according to Mr. Wathen's information, were posted with Chicago banks as collateral for loans negotiated largely by brokers whose principal is said to have been Charles Ledowsky, of Chicago, president of the Fox River Distilling Company. Recent attempts to secure further loans on warehouse liquor receipts moved the Chicago bankers to verify the genuineness of the collateral. Yesterday a representative of one of the Chicago banks arrived in Louisville with warehouse receipts on which loans had been made. They were presented to local distillers in whose names they had been issued and a number of them pronounced forgeries.

WOMAN BURNED TO DEATH

Coroner Believes Mrs. Etter, in Fit of Despondency, Set Clothes Afire

Coroner Eckerling said today he is convinced that Mrs. Emma Etter, 55 years old, who was burned to death yesterday morning in the bathroom of her home, 1163 Derry street, applied the match to her clothing with suicidal intent in a fit of despondency over a lingering illness of rheumatism. There was a strong odor of coal oil about the room and it is believed by the coroner that she saturated her clothing.

Her husband, Samuel S. Etter, found the body shortly after 11 o'clock and after extinguishing the flames, which had caught the carpet, he called in a physician, who pronounced the woman dead. Mrs. Etter leaves two daughters, Ruth and Elizabeth. The funeral will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Burial will be in the Elizabethtown cemetery.

WALL STREET CLOSING

New York, Jan. 20.—A feature of the last hour was the further rise in numerous low-priced stocks and bonds, especially the Gould group. Standard stocks also bettered their position. St. Paul and American Telephone gaining 2 points with many one point advances in others. The closing was strong. Trading in stocks to-day was less active but embraced a number of minor or secondary, including Missouri Pacific, which gained 2 1/2 points. The entire list showed a higher tendency in the final dealings.