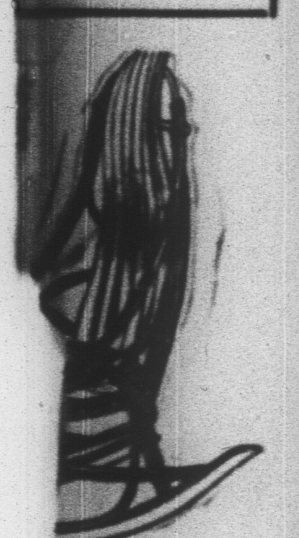


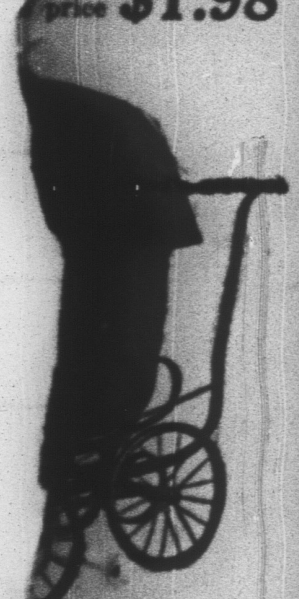
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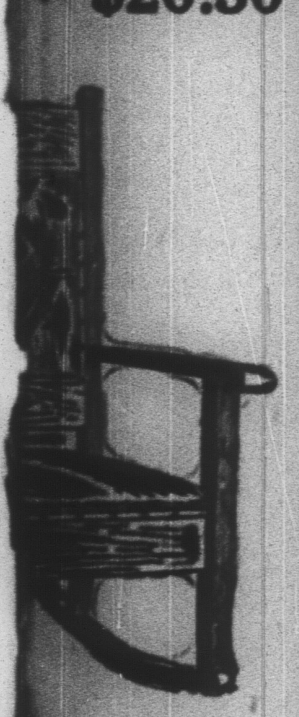
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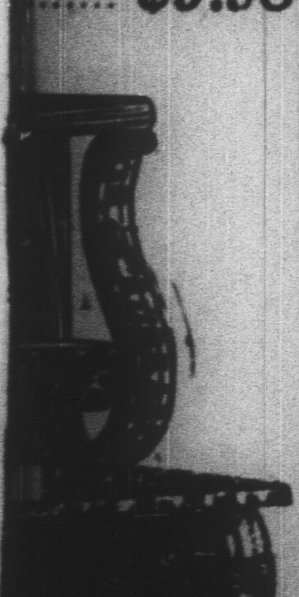
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FOREST FIRES SCATTER DEATH

TWO HUNDRED PERSONS BELIEVED DEAD IN ONTARIO

FOUR TOWNS ARE WIPED OUT

Prospectors Trapped—Many Families Destitute—Lake Affords Refuge for Some—Many Remote Hamlets to Hear From May Swell List.

Englehart, Ont.—Forest fires raging in Northern Ontario are believed to have resulted in the loss of from 150 to 200 lives. Scores of persons have been injured, and it is feared many of them may die.

Several small towns have been wiped out by the flames that have been raging 48 hours. Reports show 57 perished at Nushka, a French Canadian settlement, and 34 at Matheson. Cochrane has 18 dead and injured. Esquimaux Falls 15 dead and many injured, and Ramore 15 dead. The number killed at Porcupine Junction is not known, but the entire town was destroyed except the railroad station.

Prospectors Trapped. The death list will be materially increased, it is feared, by victims in outlying districts. There are apparently well-authenticated reports that many prospectors have been trapped at Tashota and Kowash. One farmer and his 10 children are known to have been burned, while the man's wife was vainly seeking aid to check the onrushing flames.

Nushka, a hamlet consisting of a score of frame buildings and stores, suffered worst. It had been threatened several days, but the residents lingered in the hope they might save their homes. They waited too long, however, and walls of fire cut off escape.

Lake Saves Many. A nearby lake in which they found refuge saved many residents of Cochrane.

NOTE DEMANDS THAT ENGLAND LIFT BOYCOTT

Ambassador Page Directed to Transmit Note Written in Positive Terms.

Washington.—Great Britain is warned, in the American note of protest against the blacklist, made public by the State Department, of the "many serious consequences to neutral rights and neutral relations which such an act must necessarily involve."

Already in the hands of the British foreign office, the note declares "in the gravest terms," that it is "manifestly out of the question that the government of the United States should acquiesce in such methods," and that the United States regards the blacklist as "invariably and essentially inconsistent with the rights of all the citizens of all the nations not involved in the war." It reminds the British government that "citizens of the United States are entitled within their rights to attempt to trade with the people of the governments of any of the nations now at war, subject only to well-defined international practices and understandings which the government of the United States deems the government of Great Britain to have too lightly and frequently disregarded."

Note is Firm. The American note is even more positive in its terms than officials have intimated. Ambassador Page was instructed by Acting Secretary Polk to deliver it formally and textually.

STEAMER APPAM RESTORED

Liner Captured by German Raider Awarded by Court.

Norfolk, Va.—Federal Judge Wadhill decided the libel proceedings for possession of the captured British liner Appam in favor of the English owners and against the German prize crew which brought her here.

The court held that the German government lost all legal claim to the Appam and her cargo as prizes of war, when Lieutenant Berg and his prize crew brought them into the neutral waters of Hampton Roads with the intention of "laying up" the vessel indefinitely.

Law is Violated. "The court's conclusion," the decision reads, "is that the manner of bringing the Appam into the waters of the United States, as well as her presence in those waters, constitutes a violation of the neutrality of the United States; that she came in without bidding or permission; that she is here in violation of the law; that she is unable to leave for lack of a crew, which she cannot provide or augment without further violation of neutrality."

Bishop Electrocuted. Carlisle, Pa.—The Rev. William Perry Eveland, missionary bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church for the Philippine Islands was found dead near Mount Holly Springs, having been electrocuted when his steel fish rod came in contact with a high tension electric wire.

Meat Prices Go Higher. Washington.—Prices of meat animals went up one-half of 1 per cent during the month from June 15 to July 15.

CARRANZA WILL QUIT CHIEFTAENCY

Will Enter the List as Candidate for Mexican Presidency.

Laredo, Tex.—Venustiano Carranza is to retire as first chief of the de facto government of Mexico at an early date, and will be succeeded by Gen. Pablo Gonzalez, according to information given out by Mexican administrative circles.

Gen. Carranza will enter the field as a presidential candidate at the forthcoming general election. The conference of Mexican generals with Carranza, soon to be held in Mexico City, according to advice, will arrange for the call for general elections and for the retirement of the first chief.

Washington Not Surprised. Washington.—The reported intention of Gen. Carranza to retire as first chief so that he may become a candidate for the presidency soon forms to the expectation of officials here who have understood he would follow that course as soon as conditions in Mexico warranted the holding of a national election. Under the Mexican constitution, Gen. Carranza would be ineligible as a presidential candidate unless he relinquished his military position.

TEUTONS DRIVEN BACK

On Both Fronts Germans and Austrians Compelled to Give Ground.

London.—The British and French forces fighting against the Germans launched attacks and made progress, while the Russians in Volhynia in the region of the Stokhod river have forced the Germans to give ground before their advance.

To the north of the Somme trenches between Hill 135 and the River Hardecourt have been captured by the French on a depth from 300 to 400 meters, and in addition the French have pressed forward to the outskirts of the village of Manrepas, east of Hardecourt, and also captured positions north of Hem.

Russ Win in East

The Russians in Volhynia in the region of the Stokhod river have forced the Germans to give further ground before their advance. In the fighting between the Germans and the Russians in Volhynia the men at various points again met in hand-to-hand combats. Berlin says that the withdrawal from the Stokhod curve had been contemplated for some time and was made without interruption by the Russians.

Plan Riley Memorial

Indianapolis.—As a memorial to James Whitcomb Riley the Hoosier poet, a movement was started here today to make a collection of his letters, many of which are said to be scattered throughout the United States. The work will be in charge of Edmund H. Eitel, a nephew of the poet, who hopes to have the work completed in time for the memorial celebration to be held here October 7, Riley's birthday anniversary.

LATEST MARKETS

Pittsburgh. Cattle—Good to choice, \$9.25@9.75; medium to good, \$8.50@9.10; Tidy, \$8.75@9.25; fair, \$7.25@9.25; common to good fat bulls, 5.00@7.25; common to good fat cows, \$3.50@7.25; heifers, \$5.00@8.25; fresh cows and springers, \$25.00@30.00.

Hogs—Prime heavy, \$10.25@10.30; medium, \$10.30@10.35; heavy Yorkers, \$10.30@10.35; light Yorkers, \$10.20@10.35; pigs, \$9.90@10.10; roughs, \$8.50@9.10; stags, \$7.00@7.25.

Sheep—Prime wethers, \$7.80@8.00; good mixed, \$7.50@7.75; fair mixed, \$6.00@7.00; culls and common, \$3.50@5.00; lambs, \$7.00@10.40; veal calves, \$9.00@13.00.

Butter—Prints, \$1@1 1/4; tubs, 29 1/2@30c.

Eggs—At mark, 23 1/4@24c; select, 26 1/4@27c.

Chicago. Cattle—Prime steers, \$10.75@11.25; butcher grades, \$7.00@8.25; cows, \$12.50@9.25; Calves—Culls to choice, \$8.50@12.00.

Sheep—Wethers, \$6.45@8.40; ewes, \$3.50@7.80; lambs, \$7.00@10.75.

Hogs—Bulk, \$9.40@10.00; light, \$9.35@10.10; mixed, \$9.10@10.10; heavy, \$9.00@10.10 1/4; roughs, \$9.00@9.20.

Buffalo. Cattle—Prime steers, \$11.00@11.50; butcher grades, \$7.00@8.50; cows, \$4.00@7.75; Calves—Culls to choice, \$4.50@13.00.

Sheep and lambs—Choice lambs, \$7.00@10.15; culls to fair, \$5.50@9.25; yearlings, \$5.50@9.50; sheep, \$3.00@8.00.

Hogs—Yorkers, \$10.25@10.60; pigs, \$10.00; roughs, \$9.10@9.25; mixed, \$10.60@10.65; stags, \$6.50@7.50.

Ocean Liners Burned

Berlin.—Reports of a great conflagration at Petrograd, in which a bridge across the river Neva, 12 large stores, including several transatlantic liners and the Putloff gun works and other establishments were destroyed, are printed.

William D. Travis, War Artist, Dies. Burlington, N. J.—William D. Travis, one of the last of the famous Civil war artists, died at his home here, after an illness of several months. He was aged 77.

JOHN W. CLARKE



Justice Clarke is the former Cleveland, Ohio, jurist named by President Wilson to succeed former Justice Charles E. Hughes on the supreme bench. Justice Clarke's nomination has been ratified by the Senate.

WARSHIPS PATROLL MARYLAND COAST

Deutschland Must Leave and British Cruiser Watch for Her.

Washington.—Aroused by an official report from the commander of the battleship Louisiana that a mysterious ship, purported to be a British cruiser, had passed into the mouth of Chesapeake Bay, the Navy Department ordered the armored cruiser North Carolina and three destroyers to neutrality duty off the Virginia Capes.

Officials maintained unusual secrecy regarding the matter and would not discuss just what instructions were sent to the commander of the North Carolina. It was assumed, however, that he had been directed to the German merchant submarine Deutschland, now prepared for her return trip to Germany, is not attacked by allied war vessels within the three-mile limit, and that American neutrality is not otherwise violated.

DANISH ISLANDS PURCHASED

Are Strategic Because of Canal Defense—Germany Bid.

Washington.—White House officials confirmed the report that the United States will purchase the Danish West Indies for approximately \$25,000,000. It was stated that the negotiations, which have been in progress for nearly two years, are about completed. The text of the proposed purchase treaty has been agreed upon. It was stated, and the signatures of the two nations are to be affixed in the near future.

Have Strategic Value

By purchasing the Danish West Indies, the United States will secure possession of what officials say is the most strategic group of islands in connection with the Panama canal.

The islands contain about 108 square miles and have about 35,000 population.

Only Confederate Officer Dies

Richmond, Va.—Capt. Sally Louisa Tompkins, 83, the only woman ever commissioned an officer in the Confederate army, is dead. She was commissioned captain of cavalry in order that she might continue to conduct a private hospital after other such institutions were ordered closed.

WITH NATIONAL LAWMAKERS

Sayings and Doings Among Our Senators and Congressmen.

SENATE

Passed naval bill, carrying \$315,000,000, by a vote of 71 to 8.

Confirmed the nomination of John H. Clarke as associate justice of the Supreme Court.

Passed the Phelan bill, ceding to the Panama-Pacific International Exposition Company, subject to revocation, a portion of the San Francisco Presidio for maintenance as a permanent place of the arts.

A favorable report on a bill to appropriate \$25,000 for a monument to John Ericsson, inventor of the Monitor, was filed by the House library committee.

Representative Whaley of South Carolina and William E. Williams of Illinois declared legally elected and entitled to their seats despite contests against them.

House

Abolished in Titanic Case. New York.—With a payment of \$665,000 outside of court, the White Star Line stands absolved of all liability for the sinking of the steamship Titanic with a loss of 1,500 lives, and the four years of litigation of claimants is brought to an end.

Case of Execution August 3. London.—Sir Roger Casement's execution has been fixed for August 3. Unless granted a royal reprieve Casement will be hanged in the yard of Pentonville prison.

ROAD DEVELOPMENT ALLOTMENTS MADE

Pennsylvania Gets Third Largest Amount, Delaware the Smallest. More in Succeeding Years.

Washington.—The apportionment among the states of the first year's appropriation of \$5,000,000 carried by the new good roads act was announced by the department of agriculture, which has certified the figures to the treasury department and state officials.

To be entitled to its share each state must provide an amount equal to that put up by the Federal Government. Texas gets the largest share, New York second, Pennsylvania third, and Illinois fourth.

The amounts follow: Delaware, \$814,400; Illinois, \$2,000,000; Maryland, \$4,000,000; New York, \$2,500,000; Ohio, \$1,800,000; Pennsylvania, \$2,300,000; Texas, \$2,812,800; West Virginia, \$3,270,000.

The first installment is for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1917. For the four succeeding years the following amounts to be apportioned in the same manner, are authorized:

1918, \$10,000,000; 1919, \$15,000,000; 1920, \$20,000,000; 1921, \$25,000,000.

In addition \$1,000,000 is appropriated each year for 20 years for the development of rural roads in the national forests.

RAILROADERS VOTED TO STRIKE

Middle West Brotherhoods Overwhelmingly Favor Quitting Work.

St. Louis.—The strike vote of the four train service brotherhoods resulted overwhelmingly in favor of a strike.

Coincidental advice from all sections of the country justify the forecast that from between 36 and 38 per cent of the brotherhoods' membership has voted in favor of a union-wide strike, affecting practically every railroad in the United States and approximately 400,000 employees.

The ballots will be taken to New York unopened and delivered to the brotherhood headquarters. It is expected that tabulation will be commenced within the next few days.

It is planned to have the coming August 6 and a monster mass meeting of the four brotherhoods has been called for the Amsterdam Opera House in New York that night. The result of the vote will thus be announced.

WILL RELEASE STUDENTS

War Department Will Reduce Number of Border Soldiers.

Washington.—While the negotia with the Mexican government for the settlement of border differences continue to lag, the war department indicated that it is about to make a further reduction in its forces along the border.

The department announced as a policy that as soon as conditions permit, National Guard organizations composed largely of college students will be withdrawn from the border "to allow them to resume their scholastic duties at the opening of the college year." They will be mustered out, but according to the policy of the war department an effort will be made to organize them into branches of the "officers' reserve corps."

Mexican Peace Conference Named

Mexico City.—Unofficial reports are that General Luis Cabrera, a lawyer; Alberto Pani, an engineer, and Robert Pespiera have been designated as delegates to a conference which will endeavor to bring about a settlement of the controversy between Mexico and the United States.

Gale Sweeps Spain

Madrid.—A hurricane of unprecedented violence ravaged several provinces. The village of Torreón is completely in ruins and three churches have been swept away by floods in the village of Ateca. The bodies of 11 victims have been recovered so far and the material damage is enormous.

Soldiers Print Newspaper

Brownsville, Tex.—With a circulation of 5,000 copies, The Illinois Cavalryman, a semi-weekly newspaper, edited by a staff of Chicago newspaper men who are members of the First Illinois Cavalry, made its appearance here.

War Profits Returned to British

Ottawa, Ont.—Profits on war contracts to the amount of \$750,000 have been voluntarily returned to the British treasury by F. W. Ballie of Hamilton, Ontario, president of the Canadian Cartridge Company.

Sweden Minister Named. Washington.—Premier Hammarskjöld of Sweden, has been invited to serve as a commissioner representing the United States under the terms of the investigation peace treaty negotiated with China.

Past G. A. R. Commander Dies. Zanesville, O.—Gen. R. B. Brown, past commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, and widely known as a distinguished Civil War veteran and newspaper editor, died following a protracted illness.

MUNITION BLAST SHAKES GOTHAM

THIRTEEN WAREHOUSES ARE WRECKED BY EXPLOSION

PROBE IS ON FOR CAUSE

Death List Believed to be Low Considering the Extent of Damage—Shock Felt in Five States—Warrants for Arrest.

New York.—Property loss estimated at \$25,000,000 was caused by a serious of terrific explosions of ammunition awaiting shipment to the Entente Allies and stored on Black Tom Island, a small strip of land jutting into New York bay off Jersey City.

The loss of life will not be determined definitely until there has been opportunity to check up the workmen employed. Three are known to be dead and at least five more are missing.

The detonations, felt in five states, began with a rapid fire of small shells, then the blowing up of great quantities of dynamite, trinitrotoluene and other high explosives, followed by the bursting of thousands of shrapnel, which literally showered the surrounding country and waters for many miles. Fire started soon after the first crash.

Skyscrapers Are Shaken

The fire, which spread death and desolation in its wake, destroyed 13 of the huge warehouses of the National Storage Company on Black Tom Island, in which were stored merchandise valued between \$12,000,000 and \$15,000,000. The flames were reflected against New York's "skyscrapers" of towering office buildings, which were shaken to their foundations by the blast. Miles of streets in Manhattan alone were strewn with broken glass and shattered signs.

Cause Not Determined

The cause of the disaster has not been determined. Officials of the National Storage Company and the Lehigh Valley Railroad, which also suffered through loss of property, declared, however, that reports to them showed a fire started on a barge belonging to an independent towing company that had been moored alongside a dock used by the railroad company to transfer ammunition shipments from trains to vessels.

The barge, it is said, was there without authority either of the railroad or of the storage company. The officials refused to disclose the name of the independent towing company, saying they were investigating "to ascertain whether the barge purposely had been set on fire as the result of a plot."

Warrants charging manslaughter were issued for the arrest of three persons accused of having illegally permitted explosives to be stored where human life was endangered.

Miss Liberty Badly Damaged

Damage to the statue of Liberty has been variously estimated at from \$100,000 to \$1,000,000. The latter is the guess of Captain Clifton, in charge of Liberty Island. The exact injury cannot be ascertained until experts have made a careful examination of the pedestal and base of the statue.

The light on the statue burned steadily, not even flickering when the successive blasts rattled the monument to its foundation. Every window in the pedestal is broken. A little curio shop inside the statue was found to have been completely demolished, 600 or more shattered stucco littering the bottom of the staircases.

Wheat Reduced

Bismarck, N. D.—R. F. Flint, state commissioner of agriculture, estimated that the North Dakota wheat crop this year would be 75,000,000 bushels, or just half of what it was last year and 25,000,000 bushels less than the Federal estimate of July 1. Rust, heat and flood waters are the three factors that have reduced the prospective yield.

Esperantists Elect

Annapolis, Md.—Lieut. H. W. Yeaman, Medical Corps, U. S. A., stationed at Fort Barry, Cal., was elected president of the Esperanto Association of North America. Dr. B. K. Sitonek, Chicago, was chosen vice president, and Dr. C. H. Fessenden, Boston, secretary-treasurer.

Stripling Pardoned

Atlanta, Ga.—Thomas Edgar Stripling, who, under an assumed name, acted as chief of police of Danville, Va., while a fugitive from justice from Georgia on a murder charge, was pardoned by Governor Harris, after serving five years of a life sentence.

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