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SUBMARINE F-4 MYSTERIES MAY NEVER BE SEEN

WASHINGTON OFFICIALS DOUBT IT CAN BE RAISED AT ALL IF 200 FEET DOWN.

WORK RESUMED AFTER FIRST DISAPPOINTMENT

Very Clear that Authorities are not Positive They are Any Nearer the F-4 Today than They Were Friday—Anchor was First Lost Lifted—Secretary Wants Exact Facts.

Honolulu, March 29.—After three days of incessant dragging and searching by the naval authorities for the submarine F-4 which went down in Honolulu harbor Thursday night with a crew of 19 men and officers, heads of the department are not absolutely sure that they are any nearer discovery of the submarine's location today than they were Friday.

With hopes blasted by the discovery last evening that the cables were not attached to the submarine at all but to an old anchor, work was resumed again today with frantic energy though there is now absolutely no hope for the men in the craft. All hope has vanished that the men might be alive. As predicted by the United Press Saturday afternoon, the load being hauled to the surface Saturday was not the submarine at all.

Conflicting Reports Come. Washington, March 29.—Request for definite information for the exact location of the F-4, if such a thing is known, was cabled today to Rear Admiral Moore at Honolulu, by Admiral Blue, acting secretary of the navy, in hope of clearing up conflicting advices received here. Blue declared that if the submarine was submerged in more than 200 feet of water, it was doubtful if it will ever be raised.

WOODMAN CHIEFTAIN HERE. Deputy Head Council Simmons Visiting in Eastern Oregon.

Tovist as many as possible of the Woodmen lodges in Eastern Oregon, State Deputy J. W. Simmons is in the city from Portland today. He will visit the Modern Woodmen camp in Cove tomorrow, and then go to Baker, expecting to return to La Grande Thursday to be present at the meeting here Thursday night when La Grande camp will be host to the other camps of the valley.

"Woodcraft is progressing splendidly throughout the state," said Mr. Simmons. "The order is growing rapidly, and harmony and good will is everywhere predominant. The same thing is true throughout the entire jurisdiction."

POLICE, JAIL OCCUPIED

Husband and Wife and Another Woman Among Inmates.

Among the regular grist of "drunks" turned out of the city jail this morning were a woman and her husband, and a second woman, who were picked up in a north side alley, in what the police say was a drunken state. There were a half-score others picked up during Sunday, who went through the regular municipal court milling this morning.

"Mining" For Hay

Pierre, S. D., Mar. 29.—Mining for hay has been made necessary here by the heavy snows. Sleds are run across a field, to appoint where farmers' maps tell there should be a stack of hay. A force of men then starts digging until they find the hay. Men go into the "shaft" thus formed, and throw the hay into the sleds.

TODAY'S ODDDEST STORY.

St. Paul, March 29.—Finding \$4,000 worth of checks in the walls of a building they were tearing down, workmen rushed to Martin Kraame, who had a saloon in the building for 18 years. They scented a million-dollar mystery.

"Nicht, Keine mystery. I have those checks from young men taken. They were nicht gud. So I have them in the hole by the wall put," he explained.

JOLO HUT IS TO BE HOME OF SOCIETY LEADER.



While the rest of New York's smart set is preparing for the Newport season, Mrs. Lorillard Spencer, smartest of them all and the best dressed woman in Gotham is making preparations to return to a little mud hut in the walled city of Jolo, Philippine Islands, where she will become assistant to Bishop Charles H. Brent in his work among the Moros. Mrs. Spencer is now visiting in New York.

GRAND JURORS NOW AT WORK

FIVE IMPORTANT CASES WILL COME UP. Trial Jury Not Likely to Be Called In Until June Term.

With five known cases to be disposed of, or at least considered, and probably other matters that are secret, the grand jury was called in and went into secret session this morning. The jurors who constitute the inquisitorial board are F. D. Haisten, La Grande, foreman; G. H. Rollins, Union; G. M. Gray, Alicel; W. E. Brownell and C. B. Hartley, Elgin; B. E. Webb, Alicel, and William Kirk of Union.

Among these cases known to be under consideration are several of more than ordinary importance. Eng and Fong, Chinese, accused of attempting to kill Wong Won Duck, an aged Chinaman, at the time the tong war broke out here, are two who will face the grand jury at its present session. Fred Williams, charged with deactivation in a local bank, is another whose case is to come up. In addition there are Captain Harry Burton, a stranger, who posed as a prominent loggerman and veteran, and who is accused of leaving bad checks in his trail, Christopher Sears, charged with larceny, and Mat McFalls, of Kamela, accused of assault with a dangerous weapon. With the exception of McFalls, all these men are in the county jail. McFalls is out on bonds.

Trial Date Far Hence. It is not likely that the trial jury will be called together until June.

RUSSIAN GUNS THROW SHELLS ON BOSPHORUS

FOR FIRST TIME IN HISTORY MOSLEM CITY RAIDED BY BIRD MEN.

BOMBS DROPPED IN RESIDENT DISTRICT

Russians are Shelling Forts Within 12 Miles of Sultan's Palace—Citizens in Panic and Many Flee to Interior Points—Hostile Guns Approach Close to the City

London, March 29.—Constantinople is being shaken by hostile guns. Russian shells are falling 12 miles from the Sultan's palace. This is the first time in history that Constantinople has been bombarded from the air.

Petrograd dispatches, as well as those from the Balkan capitals, reported the Russian fleet is shelling the defenses on the Bosphorus. The bombardment was resumed last evening with tremendous force. At the same time Russian aviators circled over Pera, the residential section of Constantinople, dropping bombs. It is declared they inflicted heavy damage.

A part of the population is reported to have fled in panic to the interior.

Judge Knowles has not been apprised of the exact date the law provides for calling the jury together—it formerly was the first Monday in June, but a bill was introduced at the last legislature to make it the second Monday, and local attorneys lost track of the bill, with the result that it is not definitely known now if the bill passed or not.

COWS AND DOGS DIE FROM POISON; LOSERS UP IN ARMS

Two cows are dead, several dogs are no more, and other valuable canines were pulled from the brink of dog graves by prompt application of antidotes, during the past few days, as the result of a widespread scattering of poison. E. G. Lovely, of Fruitdale, lost two young cows, and a third was seriously ill from poisoning. Some think the Lovely cattle ate squirrel poison carelessly placed in pastures. Many valuable dogs have been killed, and others have suffered. One of the best known dogs in the city, "Joe," owned by Mr. and Mrs. George Carpy, was saved by an all-night vigil. This particular dog is recognized by those who know him, as possessing most unusual qualities in the way of dog brains. Chas. Rowland, Mr. Turnbough and several others are among those who are out after dog poisoners and careless scattering of dog poison. In nearly every instance the dogs lost were valuable hunters and house pets. Great indignation prevails.

First Big British Liner Sent to the Bottom by German Submarine

London, March 29.—Dispatches to the owners of the Falaba indicate that at least 100 perished, this number including forty passengers.

London, March 29.—The first big liner to be sent to the bottom by a submarine fell a victim to the German blockade of England when the Falaba, a British vessel making African ports, was sunk in the Atlantic off the west coast of Wales. Eight persons, passengers and members of the Falaba's crew, were drowned.

The vessel had 140 passengers aboard. Those who escaped found refuge in small boats, but it is declared the submarine launched a torpedo at the liner without giving time to all to leave the vessel. The admiralty made the first announcement, but it wasn't until the survivors landed at Cardiff that details of the attack were made public. Captain Toft said he sighted the periscope off Mileford Haven and the submarine appeared on the surface almost immediately afterwards.

STEAMER GOES TO BOTTOM

Fishguard, England, March 29.—The Liverpool steamer Aquita was torpedoed off Bishops. The crew of 23 landed here today.

BUYS VALLEY FARM

Guhlmann Buys Ott Home North of Island City.

O. W. Guhlmann who with his family arrived here last fall from Nebraska, Saturday purchased the Walter A. Ott farm of 20 acres north of Island City. This is a splendid little farm, the very best of land and a new plastered roomy bungalow was built last fall. Mr. Ott is preparing to return to Nebraska, his former home about May 1st. The consideration was \$3000 which included all of the stock and implements on the place. The sale was consummated by Geo. H. Currey.

WRONG PHONE USED

Citizens asking for fire permits over the telephone must positively call the recorder's office, not the fire department. Saturday the fire department was called frequently, a dangerous practice and absolutely forbidden unless fire is the cause. Permits will be granted over the telephone when asked for by the recorder's office, and the public must keep off the fire department line with trivial matters.

FINE POINT IN LAW IN DISPUTE

ENTERPRISE DAMAGE CASE DE-MURRER LOSSES

Relation of Employer and Employee Need Not Exist

A corporation or employing company, cannot under the state Employers' Liability act escape liability for injuries to workmen, notwithstanding that the one injured is not in the direct employ of the corporation, according to an opinion handed down by Circuit Judge Knowles in the suit brought by Ella Clayton, widow of W. S. Clayton, of Enterprise, to recover \$25,000 from the Enterprise Electric company, as damages for the death of her husband. The ruling was given in overruling a demurrer, and the case will now proceed to trial in due course of time.

POINT IS A NEW ONE

The point raised is of much importance, as the Supreme court has not to date decided a similar case, and corporations and corporation attorneys throughout the state are keenly interested.

W. S. Clayton was employed by Carl T. Roe of Enterprise to operate a pumping plant run with electricity furnished by the Enterprise Electric company, when he was electrified. Had Clayton been employed directly by the company the point at issue would of course not have come up, but being employed by Roe gave the defending counsel, Sheahan & Cooley of Enterprise, and Griffith, Allen & Leiter, of Portland opportunity to raise the close point in law. A. S. Bennet of The Dalles and Daniel Boyd of Enterprise are counsel for Ella Clayton.

Judge Knowles held that the Employers' Liability act applies not only where the relation of employer and employee exists, so far as the transmission of electricity is concerned, but applies where the relation of employer and employee does not exist. In this particular case Clayton was employed by Carl Roe to run the

VON KLUCK IS INJURED, BUT NOT SERIOUSLY

WESTERN CHIEF OF GERMAN ARMY HIT BY PIECES OF SHRAPNEL

ITALY'S COOLER HEADS STILL CONTROL RABBLE

Diplomacy to be Exhausted Before Ultimatum that Would Mean War is Sent to Austria—German Leader Hit While Inspecting Front Positions in Region of Soissons.

Berlin, March 29.—General Von Kluck, in command of the main army in the West, and the men who marched on Paris, has been slightly wounded, the war office announced. He was struck by bits of shrapnel while inspecting advanced positions. His condition is declared to be satisfactory.

Since his retreat from Paris Von Kluck has been in command of the forces north of the bank of Aime, near Soissons.

Cool Heads are Busy. Rome, March 29.—Conservative statesmen are bringing the greatest possible pressure to bear to prevent hasty action which might plunge Italy into war. Preparations for participation in the conflict continues but it is evidenced that Premier Salandra and his cabinet are moving slowly.

There will be no ultimatum to Austria until diplomacy is exhausted. Rumania Still Neutral.

Berlin, March 29.—Rumania has officially announced she will maintain her present position, that of neutrality.

pumping station, the power to which was furnished by the Enterprise Electric company.

TROUBLE ON BORDER

American Artillery Ordered to Maintain Order at Front.

Washington, March 29.—Three batteries of artillery have been ordered to proceed to Brownsville, Texas, to enforce a demand upon commanders of the warring factions in Mexico, that American lives and property be safeguarded during the battle of Matamoros. Both sides are threatening to use heavy artillery.

Another Anti-Dope Crusade

Minneapolis, Mar. 29.—Assistant County Attorney Conley called it a "house of dreams."

Two women witnesses said it was merely a quiet place where women dropped in to "rest."

Conley alleged that Paul Hoenig, owner of the house, had injected dope into the arm of nineteen year old Dan Goehring. He further alleged the "house of dreams," to be a dope den. But a jury declared it could find no evidence to substantiate the house of dreams theory, and the case was dismissed. The case is one of several being fought out in the war against dope.

Pleads for Home Life

Fort Worth, Texas, Mar. 29.—"Auction bridge and race suicide are cause and effect."

"The hotel child and the cafeteria husband are two of the most pitiful objects in the world."

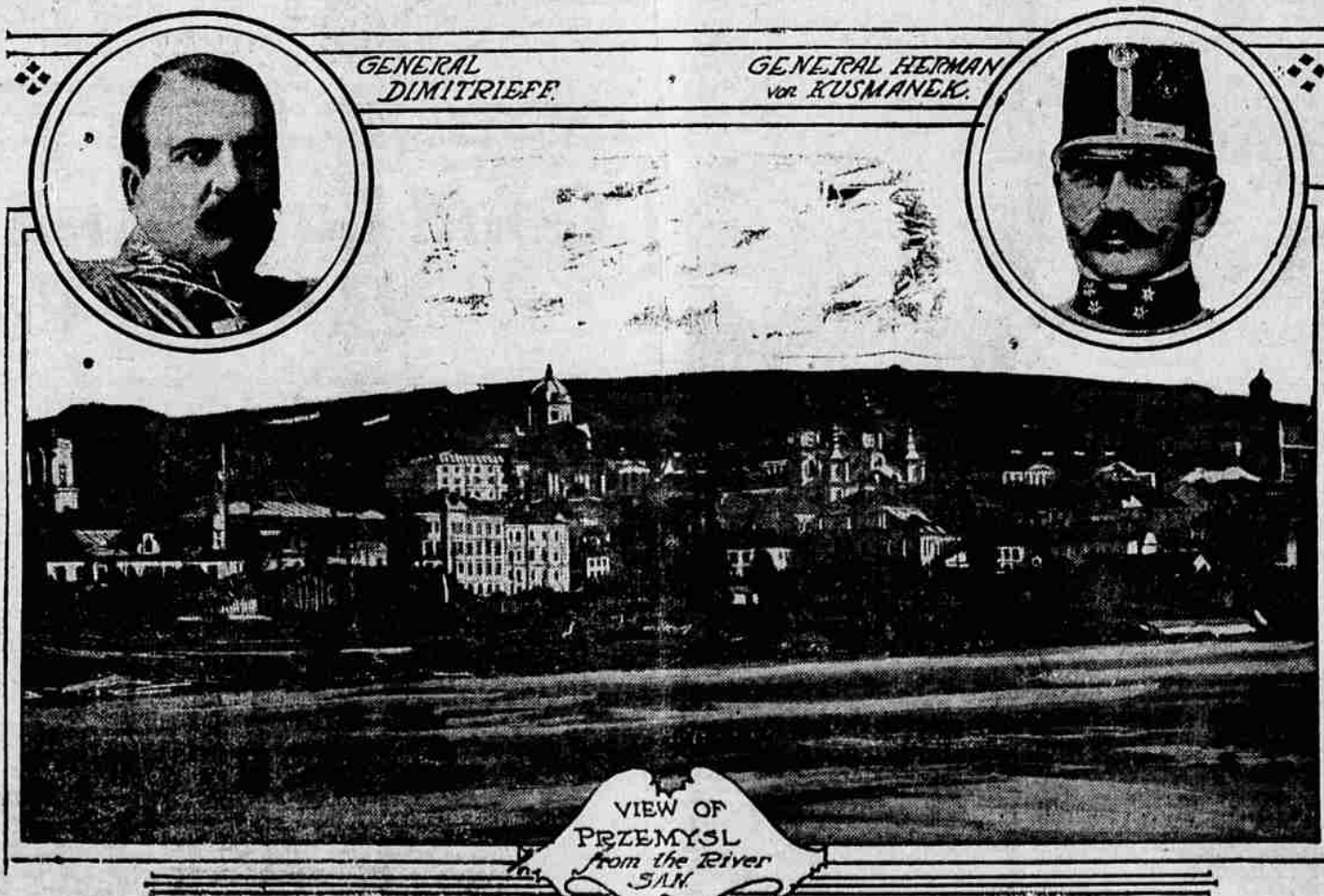
Miss Lottie Stearns, official lecturer of the American Federation of Women's Clubs, said these things to local club women, urging "old fashioned homes and babies," like incubators, the mechanical imitation of the living reality," declared Miss Stearns. Modern inventions and conveniences that remove from home work much of the tiresome drudgery place upon women the moral responsibility of making proper use of their spare time, she stated.

"Ready." At Chicago Traps.

Chicago, March 29.—America's best trapshooters met here today in a dual tourney. With an indoor shoot at the Colliseum, the Sportman's club of America also held its annual shoot at a new range in Lincoln park.

Quimet at Pinehurst.

Pinehurst, N. C., arch 29.—Francis Quimet, amateur golf champion, is among the crack golfers entered in the annual "North and South" championship tournament, the qualifying round of which was played today.



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