

MORLEY PREDICTS TITANIC BATTLE

Tells Lords World Is Watching Them and Poses as Champion of Rich.

TAXING POWER AT ISSUE

Liberal Leader Says Lansdowne's Motion Gives Lords Taxing Power and Puts Oligarchy in Control of Affairs.

LONDON, Nov. 29.—Lord Morley's powerful speech was the absorbing event of the budget debate today in the House of Lords.

He quoted Burke to the effect that the House of Lords had no right in any sense to the disposition of the public purse, and contended that if there were one thing that could not wisely be submitted to a referendum, it was the budget with all its complexities.

Lords Champions of Rich. As to the Lords' contention that their action would arrest the wave of Socialism, he refused to believe that British artisans were predatory or Socialist, but even granting that the misery existing in some classes had produced a movement akin to Socialism, it was hardly wise for the Lords to take up a position exposing them to the charge of attacking the constitution as champions of the rich against the poor.

"The more triumphant the majority for Lord Lansdowne's amendment," said Lord Morley, "the larger the disparity between the numbers of the government and the numbers of the opposition, the more flagrant will be the political scandal."

That amendment which the House of Lords proposed to pass, said Lord Morley, though it contained but a couple of lines, involved no fewer than five points, each constituting a more radical departure from constitutional usage and practical convenience.

Make Oligarchy Supreme.

In the first place the amendment gave to the House of Lords the taxing power. Next it assumed the power of enforcing a penal dissolution by refusing supplies. Then there must be a new Parliament whenever the sitting Parliament had the misfortune to displease their lordships of the second chamber. And again, if these propositions are approved, they are changing representatively government into an oligarchic and non-representative system.

Finally, said Lord Morley, they are throwing out of gear the whole financial ministry for the year. Taxes had been collected on the authority of the House of Commons and not by law, and an appropriation bill was passed, when the resolution became a law.

Too Much of One Mind.

The words of the late Lord Salisbury, said the speaker, were not chambers could not have voice in the finances of the government, because "the Lords belonged too much to one class, and consequently in respect of a large number of persons, the Lords are too much of one mind."

It had been said that the House of Commons might repeal the amendment, but the repeal of that act was the very operation that the Lords were about to perform.

Lord Morley concluded his speech with an impressive warning that when tomorrow the curtain fell on an empty house, they would know that the note should be sounded for an angry, and perhaps a prolonged, battle.

When the Secretary resumed his seat the small minority of Liberal Peers broke into enthusiastic cheers.

Tory Opposes Lords' Policy.

Lord Rothchild, Liberal Unionist, spoke briefly, dwelling on the difficulty of raising capital even for the best English enterprises, while Russia and Japan found it comparatively easy to borrow money.

Lord James of Hereford quoted Pitt, Palmerston and Lord John Russell against the Lords' claim of power to reject the budget.

Lord Swaythling defended the budget. He contended that British credit was still the best in the world, pointing out that Japan was able to borrow because it offered large interest.

Many other Peers spoke, nearly all in favor of Lansdowne's amendment. The debate was adjourned at midnight.

Tories Show Signs of Reason.

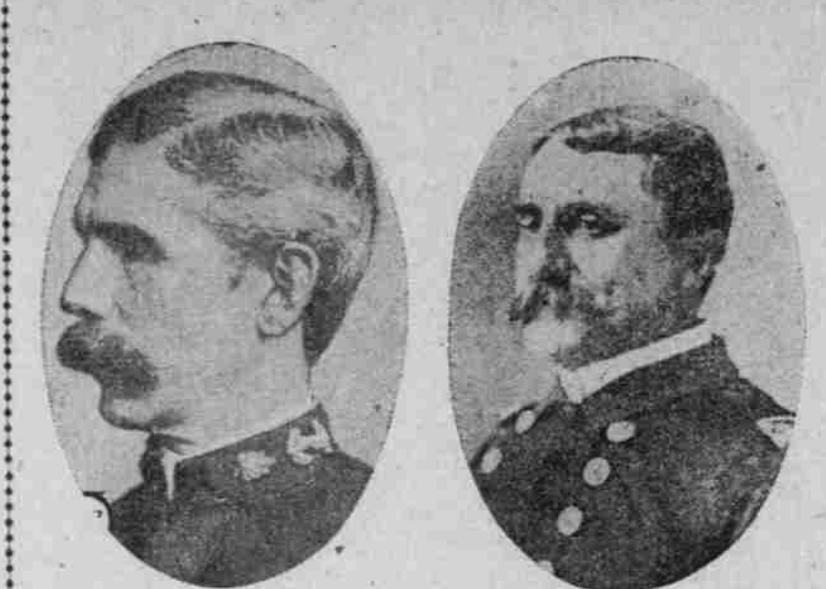
Although the result of the division tomorrow is a foregone conclusion, it cannot be doubted that the House and the country have been greatly impressed with the oratorical skill displayed in the upper house, and especially by the powerful arguments of Liberal Peers against the course the Lords are pursuing. Evidence of this is beginning to show itself in the Conservative press.

BRITISH PLAN BIG SHIPS

70,000 Horsepower for Cruiser Lion With 27-Knot Speed.

LONDON, Nov. 29.—The keel plates of two monster warships, the Orion, the improved dreadnought battleship, and the Lion, the cruiser battleship, were laid today at Portsmouth and the latter at Devonport. The bulk of the material for both vessels is ready and all arrangements have been made for their completion within two years.

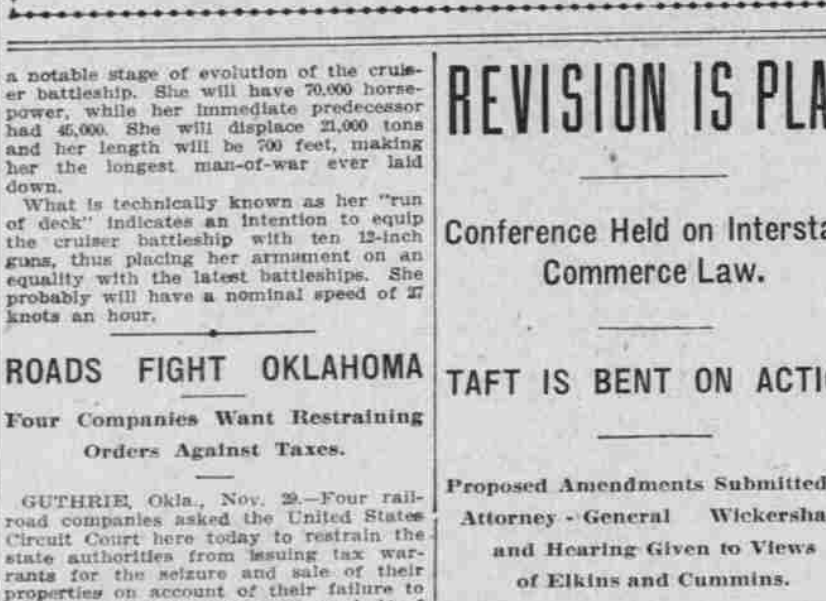
FOUR OF NEW MEN WHO WILL RUN NAVY DEPARTMENT UNDER SECRETARY MEYER.



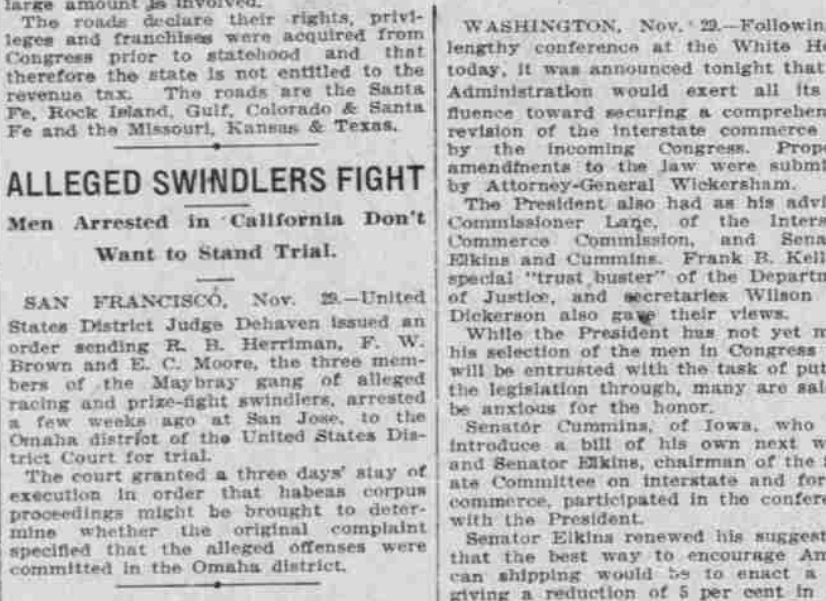
Rear-Admiral Richard Wainwright.



Rear-Admiral W. P. Potter.



Captain Aaron Ward.



Captain Reginald P. Nicholson.

a notable stage of evolution of the cruiser battleship. She will have 70,000 horsepower, while her immediate predecessor had 45,000. She will displace 21,900 tons and her length will be 500 feet, making her the longest man-of-war ever laid down.

What is technically known as her "run of deck" indicates an intention to equip the cruiser battleship with ten 12-inch guns, thus placing her armament on an equality with the latest battleships. She probably will have a nominal speed of 27 knots an hour.

ROADS FIGHT OKLAHOMA

Four Companies Want Restraining Orders Against Taxes.

GUTHRIE, Okla., Nov. 29.—Four railroad companies asked the United States Circuit Court here today to restrain the state authorities from taxing the rights of the state in respect of their properties on account of their failure to pay the constitutional tax of one-half of 1 per cent on their total gross revenues. A large amount is involved.

The roads declare their rights, privileges and franchises were acquired from Congress prior to statehood and that therefore the state is not entitled to the revenue tax. The roads are the Santa Fe, Rock Island, Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe and the Missouri, Kansas & Texas.

ALLEGED SWINDLERS FIGHT

Men Arrested in California Don't Want to Stand Trial.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 29.—United States District Judge Dehaven issued an order sending R. B. Herriman, F. W. Brown and E. C. Moore, the three members of the Maybray gang of alleged racing and prize-fight swindlers, arrested a few weeks ago at San Jose, to the Omaha district of the United States District Court for trial.

The court granted a three days' stay of execution in order that habeas corpus proceedings might be brought to determine whether the original complaint specified that the alleged offenses were committed in the Omaha district.

SUGAR MEN ARE ON TRIAL

Court Probing of Underweighing Frauds Begun at New York.

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—On criminal charges resulting from the revelations of extensive underweighing frauds on the docks of the American Sugar Refining Company in Wilmington seven former employees of that company were placed on trial in the United States Circuit Court here today.

The men on trial are James F. Beender, former manager of the company's Wilmington plant; Oliver Spitzer, former dock superintendent, and five checkers and weighers.

GRAFT CASES POSTPONED

San Francisco Court Acts on Schmitz Disclosures.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 29.—An order was made today in the Superior Court postponing all of the cases growing out of the graft disclosures made during the administration of ex-Mayor E. E. Schmitz until January 10, 1910.

This means that the present District Attorney will not have anything more to do with the prosecution of the cases and that their continuance will be left to the decision of District Attorney-elect Charles M. Fickert.

Slight to Woman Reason for Duel.

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., Nov. 29.—News of a Thanksgiving day duel, at Fairview, N. M., in which both participants were killed, has just reached here. James B. Taylor, a well-known cattleman and foreman of the United States Treasury mine in Sierra County, and Isaac Pugh, a cattleman, had been enemies ever since the latter's wedding a year ago to which he had failed to invite the wife of Taylor. The men had quarreled frequently over this slight, and on Thanksgiving day drew their revolvers upon meeting again and opened battle. Each was wounded twice and both died almost instantly. Fairview is 80 miles from railroad or other communication.

Murder Jury Drawing Begins.

AUBURN, Cal., Nov. 29.—The selection of the jury in the trial of Jefferson Lewis, charged with the murder of Benjamin Sweeney, began, today before Judge Prewett.

MEYER KNOCKS OFF NAVY BARNACLES

Sweeping Change Will Come December 1 and Clip Bureau Chiefs' Wings.

ADMIRAL COWLES TO GO

Two Bureaus Will Be Abolished if Congress Consents—Fighting Men of Navy to Have More Voice in Affairs.

(Continued From First Page.) branch, which deals directly with the military use of the fleet, will originate military features of new construction in consultation with the general board, of which the new aide for operations will be a member. Other officers also will be called in for advice and criticism, both before and after the sketch plans have been prepared by the technical bureaus. These officers will be selected because of pronounced success in ordnance, engineering or torpedo work. The bureaus will be called upon finally to prepare the actual plans and will be responsible for their correctness.

Cowles Will Be Out of Job. With the growth of the business of the department Mr. Meyer found that duties similar to those of the equipment bureau were performed by the bureaus of supplies and accounts, construction and repair, and steam engineering. In this connection it is to be noted that Rear-Admiral W. S. Cowles, brother-in-law of ex-President Roosevelt, is now the head of the bureau.

At the Navy-Yards Mr. Meyer has decided to divide the single manufacturing department established by Mr. Newberry into two divisions—one of machinery and the other of hulls—according to the general practice in ship-building in this country and with the naval lockyards of Basind and Germany. Commandants and captains at the yards will be kept there long enough to insure continuity of policy and commandants will be the only representatives of the bureaus. The Newberry plan gave the senior naval constructor at the yards power that Mr. Meyer lodges with the commandant.

Inspection to Be Independent. Inefficient work, or performance, or irregularities under the present bureaus Mr. Meyer found had been inspected usually by officers of those bureaus. No independent inspections of ships, shore stations and technical matters could be had. Mr. Meyer will provide this by his new division of inspection.

The existing bureau of yards and docks, the marine corps, and certain other branches of the department not logically included in an "one bureau" No. 4 division of duties will be placed under the Assistant Secretary.

SALVAGE MAY BE CLAIMED

Ship in Peril at Dock Subject to Marine Law.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—That salvage may be claimed and collected on account of services rendered to a sea-going vessel when in peril while in dock was held by the Supreme Court of the United States today in deciding in favor of Simmons in the case of Simmons against the steamship Jefferson.

The Jefferson is owned by the Old Dominion Steamship Company, and while lying in the drydock at Newport News, Va., caught fire. Simmons, as master of a tug, went to the rescue of the ship. He afterward sued in the United States District Court to recover salvage for his services, but that court decided against him on the ground that the word "salvage" contemplated services rendered in connection with perils at sea, which it held a fire in a shipyard not to be.

The Supreme Court reversed the lower court. The opinion said that the fact that the vessel was undergoing repairs did not deprive it of its character as an instrument of commerce nor remove its obligations in case of peril from dangers.

WILHELMINA SHOWS SPEED

Exceeds Contract Requirements in Official Trials.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Nov. 29.—In her official trials today the big freight and passenger steamer Wilhelmina, built by the Newport News Shipbuilding & Dry Docking Company, developed a speed of 17 1/2 knots an hour, 2 1/2 knots in excess of the contract speed.

Coal oil was used as fuel. The ship will use this fuel during her run of 13,000 miles to San Francisco, and will be the first steam vessel to attempt such a voyage with oil fuel.

The Wilhelmina was built for the Matson Navigation Company and will ply between Honolulu and San Francisco.

W. M. LADD, President.

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—What probably will be a remarkable murder trial began in Newark, N. J., today. Mrs. Mary J. Wilhelm is charged with killing her husband, Frank Wilhelm, in their home on High street, last February.

Wilhelm was a building contractor, and because of his property holdings was reputed to be wealthy. He was a small man in a small room in the basement of his home shot to death. His corpse was discovered by Mrs. Wilhelm on her return from a day spent with friends.

After investigation, besides arresting Mrs. Wilhelm, the police arrested Nicholas S. Sica, a real estate dealer. This was largely owing to the fact that Wilhelm had been considering a divorce. The police also learned that Sica was in the Wilhelm house with Wilhelm on the day he was found dead, and that so far as could be found out, he was the last man who saw Wilhelm alive. He was indicted with Mrs. Wilhelm and he will be tried on the conclusion of her trial.

PHONE TRUST CASE BEGINS

Special Examiner to Take Testimony Is Now Sought.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Nov. 29.—Attorney-General Major, today the preparation of an application to the Supreme Court of the state for the appointment of a special examiner to take testimony on the alleged merger of telephone interests.

If the evidence warrants, a writ of mandamus will be used for the purpose of compelling the testimony of the witnesses.

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BRAVE GIRL SAVES CHILD

Snatches Little One From Between Elevated Train Rails.

AUTO HORN IN ORCHESTRA

"Zeppelin's First Voyage," Bungert's New Symphony, to Be Given.

BERLIN, Nov. 29.—August Bungert's new symphony, "Zeppelin's First Voyage," will be produced under the direction of Professor William Rees, at Coblenz Wednesday. The work is dedicated to Count Zeppelin and furnishes another indication of the modern spirit of music by introducing the automobile horn as an orchestral instrument.

The motif is preparations for the Count's ascent in his first dirigible balloon, the smooth flight, the applause of the multitude, the mountains and valleys, the cities, the thunder storm, the landing and finally the destruction of the aircraft by fire.

BODY FOUND; BIG MYSTERY

Los Angeles Authorities Puzzled Over Find in Well.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 29.—Mystery surrounds the finding last night of a partially decomposed body, believed to be that of a woman, at the bottom of an old well on the Crinklaw ranch just north of town. The presence of the body in the well was reported to the Sheriff's office by hunters who were attracted to the spot by the peculiar odor issuing from the well.

A party sent out today to recover the body found it little more than a skeleton and it is doubtful whether the remains will ever be identified. It is suggested that the body may be that of an insane patient who escaped from the county hospital two months ago.

PARKER LABOR'S ATTORNEY

Seeks Writ of Certiorari in Gompers Contempt Case.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—The petition for a writ of certiorari in the contempt proceedings against Samuel Gompers, John Mitchell and Frank Morrison, officers of the American Federation of Labor, in connection with the Bucks Store & Range Company litigation, which, if granted, would have the effect of bringing up the whole case, was today presented to the Federal Supreme Court by Allison B. Parker, of New York.

Aero Club to Make Charts.

BERLIN, Nov. 29.—At a meeting of the Imperial Aero Club of Berlin, presided over by Count Zeppelin, and attended by a number of officers of the general staffs of the army and navy today, the preparation of aeronautical maps was discussed. It was agreed that such charts as should show the marked variations of the landscape, as well as the location of electric wires and other aerial obstructions, would be useful. A committee, which included Count Zeppelin, was appointed to gather information.

Austria to Send Consul.

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—The increasing immigration in the prairie provinces of Canada has resulted in a decision of the Austrian government to establish a new consulate in Winnipeg for the Province of Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia. The new consulate will be opened the first of the year and Dr. H. Schweigel, the Austro-Hungarian Consul at Montreal, has been selected for the new position.

Ingersoll to Be Retired.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—Rear Admiral R. R. Ingersoll, a member of the general board of the Navy, will be placed on the retired list next Saturday on account of age.

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LAW BEATS CHURCH Denver Catholic Priest Trouble Reaches Court.

MORTGAGE ON PROPERTY Ousted Priest's Sister Holds Papers Given Her on Loan of \$24,600 to Pay Off Indebtedness on Building.

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