# EASTLAND BALLAST TANKS PUMPED DRY

Captain Unable to Act Speedily Enough.

**VESSEL GROUNDS ON BOTTOM** 

Harbor Officials Say Capacity Was Largely Exceeded.

REDFIELD DENIES LAXITY

Secretary of Commerce Declares Federal Inspectors Did Duty. Passenger Allowance Recently Increased by 500.

CHICAGO, July 27 .- Overloading, un derballasting and grounding on the river bottom today were cited in testimony at the Coroner's inquest by two experts as reasons why the steamer Eastland toppled over Saturday at its have been a little hope if it were neceswharf and drowned hundreds of excur- sary to teach the crews to understand sionists.

Adam F. Weckler, harbormaster, and Joseph R. Lynn, assistant harbormaster, both of whom were present when the steamer capsized, in ascribing the accident to these causes told the Coroner's jury that the boat was "cranky" and should never have been permitted by the Government inspectors to carry more than half the 2500 persons it was entitled to transport under its license.

Redfield Denies Lax Inspection.

While the Coroner's jury was hearing testimony in an attempt to fix the blame for the catastrophe, Secretary of over Verona and all lights were extin-Commerce Redfield looked over the guished. All the forts defending the upset boat and watched divers comb city directed a fire at it, but after the wreck and surrounding water and recover three more bodies. He made statements to the effect that the Government supervision had not been lax and that the Eastland had carried one was hurt. were aboard when the ship rolled over.
The harbormaster, Mr. Weckler, tessafely many more passengers than tified he arrived at the Eastland's wharf 20 minutes before the steamer was due to start, and saw the boat listing to port. He said he called to Captain Pederson, of the Eastland, to trim the vessel, shouting that be would not open the Clark-street bridge until the boat was righted.

Ballast Tanks Pumped Dry.

to right the ship, but seemed unable German post of Lomic, June 25. to take water into the ballast tanks should have been able to fill them in Ngangela, from 3 to 6 minutes if nothing had been wrong with the ballast tank to the Governor-General's telegram, is made in the case of the William P.

"I never saw the Eastland loaded so mans. heavily as it was Saturday morning," said Mr. Weckler, "and I have seen her depart many times.

"I don't think that the Eastland should have been allowed to carry more than 1200 passengers, because it did not have enough draft and stability of the to carry a larger load.

"Only last Tuesday I told Caprain Pedersen that his boat needed trim-Pedersen that his boat needed trim-two weeks. Mr. Morris arrived here ming, as it was constantly traveling on last Friday on a leave of absence. its ears. He said that the twin acrews of the ship kept the Eastland on an even keel while under water.

Captain Unable to Trim Vessel.

"After his arrest I heard Captain Pedersen say that he tried for 17 minutes to trim the steamer, but could not get water into the ballast tanks fast enough. I don't believe Captain Pederson realized the danger until the final plunge came."

Mr. Lynn, assistant harbormaster, testifled that he arrived just as the Eastland was due to start. He saw the dangerous list of the steamship and called the police and fire departments, returning to the wharf to see passer gers leaping from the decks to the

"I believe," said Mr. Lynn, "that the ship was on the bottom aft of mid-

Captain John O'Mears, of the tug Kenosha, which was hitched to the Eastland to tow the ship out of the river, testified he did not take hold of the Eastland until after 7:25, several minutes after the ship had begun to ist, according to other witnesses Even then he waited for word to go shead, and the captain of the Eastland was not working out the stern, as was necessary to protect the screws. Captain O'Mara said he finally got the word to go ahead, but before the towline was taut the Eastland had listed.

and he stopped. Passenger Allowance Increased,

Federal officers then submitted the Government Inspection certificate, including the latest one issued by Robert Reid, July 2, 1915, at the request of Captain Pedersen, of the Eastland. that the carrying allowance be increased. This certificate allowed the Eastland to take on 2570 passengers, an increase of 500 over previous per-

Efforts to check up the total num ber of lives lost by the upsetting of the Eastland made no progress today. While the list of missing grew, only three bodies were recovered and divers said that probably not more than a score of victims remained in the ship A contract to raise the steamer was (Concluded on Page 3, Column 1.)

## CHINESE CREWS FAIL AT LESSONS

EFFORT TO TEACH ENGLISH IS NOT SUCCESSFUL.

Pacific Mail Official Says It Will Be Impossible to Comply With New Seaman's Law.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 27 .- Efforts to teach English to Chinese crews on Pacific Mail Steamship Company ves-sels have failed, it was said today by A. J. Frey, assistant to the vice-president and general manager of the company. The experiment was made in the hope of complying with requirements of the seaman's act, effective in November, which will require that 75 per cent of crews in all departments shall understand any order given by their officers in the native language of the officers.

Phrase books a third of an inch thick, with the English and Chinese equivalents, were distributed to the Chinese nearly two months ago. The crews received two hours' instruction daily on .ne voyage. It will require more than a month more for the instructors to complete the round of ves-

Mr. Fre, said the experiment had

failed already. "Many members of the Chinese crews," he said, "do not even read their own language. Some of the better classes have learned a little, but it is impossible to comply with the seaman's act, which will require them to under-stand 'any order.' "He said there might only "necessary orders"

#### AIRMAN ATTACKS VERONA

Bombs Also Dropped on Ancona None Hurt in Either City.

VERONA, Italy, July 27 .- About a lozen bombs were dropped in this city today by an Austrian aeroplane. There were no victims of the air attack and the damage done to property was insignificant.

An alarm was given as soon as the Austrian machine made its appearance throwing down the bombs it succeeded in escaping.

At the same time two hydro-aeroplanes dropped bombs on Ancona.

German Post in African Colony Occupied by Congo Forces.

PARIS, July 27 .- The Governor-General of the French Congo, which adjoins the German colony of Kamerun, bats t Monso Besam and Assaobam, a Mr. Weckler said the captain tried French column occupied the important the case dangerous aspects which

The harbormaster said Dschaposten, joining another French two governments. There was an abhe had no doubt the tanks had been force, which occupied strong positions sence of tension today, for the case pumped dry, but that the captain to the north and northwest as far as was regarded by officials as a diplo-

in open insurrection against the Ger-

Minister Morris Operated On.

CHICAGO, July 27 .- Ira Nelson Morris, United States Minister to Sweden, is in a hospital after an operation to-day for the removal of a cystic tumor of the throat. The surgeons announced that the condition of Mr. Morris was good and said he would be able to leave the hospital within two weeks. Mr. Morris arrived here

# **CASE OF LEELANAY**

Time Is Given Crew to Leave Steamer.

### **BOATS ARE TOWED 50 MILES**

Treaty, However, Provides for Surrender of Contraband.

FURTHER FACTS AWAITED

Case Regarded as One Likely to Involve Correspondence Similar to That in Case of American Ship Frye.

WASHINGTON, July 27 .- Information on one point-whether the captain of the American steamer Leelanaw was requested to deliver out the contraband in his cargo and was willing to do sois needed by the United States Government before officials can determine the nature of representations to be made to Germany on the destruction of

the vessel by a German submarine. The Prussian-American treaty of 1828 provided that the vessels of either party, when encountered in time of war, could not be detained if contraband were given up. Should it develop that the Leelanaw's skipper was ready to surrender the contraband, the United States will present a note describing the occurrence as a violation of that treaty.

Vessel Visited and Searched. The rules of visit and search evi dently were followed to the letter by the commander of the German subma rine, according to official reports thus far received, and due precautions taken for the safety of the crew. Consul-General Skinner, at London, sent today the following message:

"Leeianaw's crew proceeding to Dunbeing fired on. Crew went on board to get the cruiser under steam. submarine and remained some time. Ship's boats taken in tow 50 miles." Previous messages had reported that the bund were blown down. the crew landed at Kirkwall in the Leelanaw's own boats.

The saving of the crew removed from might otherwise have brought another The column then advanced as far as climax in the relations between the matic controversy which would require The entire Nzemou region, according further legal argument, such as was Frye. Liability probably will be adthought. The fact that Germany is disbelief that a similar position would be taken by the German Foreign Office in the present instance.

Under the circular note sent by Gerreached here May II, an offer to arbi-

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wenty buyers, in one-minute talks, to relate placed in escrow to protect the patents attractions of own towns. Page 15. Gunner of F-3 takes Portland bride, Page 9, Portland offers aviation school sites, Page 4. Weather report, data and forecast. Page 15.

American Vessels Feel Full Force of Great Storm at Shanghal.

SHANGHAI, July 27 .- A great typhoon sprang up at midnight last night and is still raging furiously. The United States cruisers Saratogs and Cincinnati felt the full force of the dee. Captain torpedoed ship states to storm. The Saratoga's anchors were consular agent at Kirkwall that he holding, but the Cincinnati was slowly had ample time to leave ship before drifting and preparations were made

A large amount of damage has been A large steamer is ashore at Garden Point, and launches, yachts, pon-

oons and cargo boats are being ground to matchwood along the wall of the bund.

### WORMY FRUIT DEFENDED

Washington State College Entomologist Criticises Inspectors.

Frye. Liability probably will be admitted again by Germany, it was mology at Washington State College, in he was to take a 10 per cent coman address today before the California mission on stock sales in lieu of salpuling the meaning of the treaty of state fruitgrowers' convention on "The ary. Mr. House said this was true.

1828 in the Frye case has led to the Abuses of Horticultural Inspectors." Judge Bean brought out, through 1828 in the Frye case has led to the Abuses of Horticultural Inspectors," criticised inspectors and commissioners questioning of Mr. House, the point in Washington and California,

demnation of wormy and scabby fruits, the market. trate disputes which might arise in which he said were not injurious to O.E. Gernert, ex-assistant sales-man(Concluded on Page 2, Column 1.)

MEN WHO ARE FORMULATING PLANS FOR ADEQUATE DEFENSE OF UNITED STATES.

Expert Tells of Continuation of Sales.

## BUSY PLANTS ARE PICTURED

Letter Announces Plan for 24-Hour Factory Shifts.

#### ADVISORY PLACE OFFERED

More Requests for Messages From Sales Manager to Agents Are Read During Trial and Big Commissions Reported.

When stock of the United States Cashier Company was taken off the market by order of the directors in the Baltic provinces recently, also have partments began today a series of January, 1912, \$356,000 worth more turned, and, according to the Berlin ofcontracted to issue \$356,000 more than the entire amount of capital stock entire capital stock. Page 1. Hiram S. House, expert accountant for the Government, testified just before court adjourned in the Cashier Com-

pany trial yesterday. Mr. House said the entire amount of stock of the par value of \$10 issued is reached, and it is considered more 000. To meet this was the company's capitalization of \$1,200,000. The \$1,556, southwest to threaten the Russian of War Breckenridge; Major-General school Board names musicians to instruct student orchestras. Page 11.

Oregon's scenic wonders will feature land show. Fage 7.

\$1.00, 10 meet this was the company of capitalization of \$1.200,000. The \$1.556.

Option's scenic wonders will feature land show. Fage 7. \$705,000 worth of stock issued and burg.

Details of the sale of \$50,000 worth of stock to Frederick Tillinghast, of New York, now dead, also were related by Mr. House. Mr. Tillinghast, share in October, 1912. In September he had made an advance payment of \$2000.

\$31,000 Paid in Cash.

Following the sale, in October, he paid the company \$31,000 cold cash. In November he paid another \$8000, and in December finished the transaction with a final payment of \$9000,

books showed that \$5000 in commissions had been paid Frank Meneree. president; \$4100 to F. M. LeMonn, sales manager, and \$7500 done ashore. Most of the trees along Amsden, the salesman who put through the dicker, making a total in commissions of \$16,600.

It developed that \$900 in commistended to sue the company for the fire is said to have exceeded in violence hoped to present to President Wilson LeMonn at that, and that he had intended to see the company for the amount, but desisted when it was reparationally that which the Austro-Germans employed against the Russians in West from Cornish a general outline of the played against the Russians in West proposed Army reorganization. It was injure the company beyond repair. injure the company beyond repair.

Sale After Withdrawal, Report. Martin L. Pipes, chief of counse asked Mr. House if the \$5000 commis-STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Cal., July sion Mr. Menefee got was not in ac-

that this sale of \$50,000 worth of

## Tuesday's War Moves

THE Austro-German attempts to en Warsaw and to capture the Pollah cap ital, which for a time progressed almost with the momentum of an of-fensive, which cleared NOVID of the Russian troops of and brought nearly to Capra uil, and where the Gerr To moving forward, it is said - moving forward, it is said they are gaining only yard by yard and at a tremendous cost of men and material. The German Field Marshal von Mackensen has taken a few villages or the way to the Lublin-Chelm railway between the Vistula and the Bug rivers and the Austrians, by a counter offensive at Sokal, have captured post tions which will make the German flank safer, but, as has so often oc urred lately. Berlin officially reports that "otherwise the position of the German troops under Von Mackensen re mains unchanged."

Along the Western bank of the Vistula from Ivangorod to Novogeorgievak, even less progress apparently has been made, while along the Narew, where Field Marshal von Bindenberg has been directing operations in an effort to drive a wedge in behind the city, he is now largely occupied in meeting the Russian counter-attacks. These counter-attacks, according to Petrograd, have succeeded in forcing the Germans, who had crossed the river, to return to the northern bank at several points, but Berlin assert that they completely falled, and says the German force is advancing in an

easterly direction. The Russians, who were defeated in ficial report, have delivered an attack from Mitau, which, however, was re-

pulsed. the Viln-Petrograd rallroad, but there which work has been in progress for is much territory to cover before this several months. likely that General von Buelow, who Washington today from Scabright, N. is in command here, will turn to the J., conferred with Assistant Secretary armies which are facing Von Hinden- Scott, chief of the Army General

Mackensen is engaged.

Military critics believe this is the paign, for the whole German plan de-2 CRUISERS IN TYPHOON lated by air. House at \$30 a pends on his reaching the Lublin-Chelm

ast, the important offensive of the Wilson on his return to Washingtonregarded. The French report another Army or Navy officials charged with success to the north of Munster, which this duty to perfect programmes at apparently is their objective, and the this time for a comprehensive scheme repulse of a series of German counter- of National defense that will embrace lattacks. The French have concentrated a considerable increase in the perto testify, his examination of the much artillery in this region, and with sonnel of the Army and in the numhigh explosives have been simply tear- ber of vessels composing the fleet ing up the German defensive works, President Wilson wants to know what which are among the strongest along progress has been made so far toward to Ed the whole line.

Artillery likewise is playing an im- range for drawing up preliminary portant part in the battle on the statements on the subject. Isonzo, where the Italians are reported held out" on Mr. to have concentrated for three days their fire on the Austrian positions. This

# for the defense, on cross-examination, FRENCH SUBMARINE SUNK been doing for some time.

German U-Boat Reported Victor in"

Duel in Dardanelles. ville, N. Y .- The French submarine

He said they were responsible for stock had actually been made eight submarine on July 26 in the narrows be presented to Secretary Daniels for big losses to growers and increased months after the order of the directors of the Dardanelles, according to a dismany to neutral governments, which prices to consumers through the con- withdrawing all company stock from patch from Constant nople to the Mittag Zeltung. submarine's crew were captured.

# velon the Russian armies defending

General Plan Soon to Be Shown President.

#### **BOARDS BEGIN CONFERENCES**

Navy Awaits Further Lessons of War in Europe.

#### EX-SAILORS TO BE LISTED

Department of Labor Gathers Data of Men Available for Reserve Seamen-Progress in Army Reorganization Being Tabbed.

WASHINGTON, July 27. - (Special.) -Officials of the War and Navy Deconferences for the purpose of preparing preliminary reports for President Wilson to show the progress Further to the south the Germans that had been made in formulating ontinue their advance eastward toward plans for better National defense, on

Secretary Garrison, who came to Staff; Brigadier-General Bliss, assist-Everywhere the battles are at their ant chief of staff; Major-General eight, especially those in which Von Aleshire, head of the Quartermaster's Corps; Brigadier-General Mills, chief of the militia division of the General nost critical engagement of the cam- Staff; Brigadier-General Crozier, chief of ordnance, and other officers

Navy Board Also Prepares Data. The general board of the Navy held meeting to prepare data for Secre-With interest largely centered on the tary Daniels to present to President

It is not the intention of either the agreeing on such programmes, and the conferences today were held to ar-

Army Reorganization Planned. Secretary Garrison must terriffic ever experienced in war. but would be a report on what the War Department administration had

The general board of the Navy, of which Admiral Dewey is the president, decided at its meeting today that it would not attempt at this time to complete its plans for an increase of BERLIN, July 27, by wireless to Say- the fleet or determine its recommendations on the other questions that have to do with naval preparedness. Mariette was destroyed by a German outline of the views of the board will wiser to wait until just before the Thirty-one members of the French convening of Congress to perfect the ideas that have impressed them in considering measures for a naval construction programme.

Lesson to Be Taken From Europe

The board members were influenced in this opinion by the desire to obtain additional information as to the progress of naval warfare in Europe. They thought that something would be gained if they waited until the last practicable moment before the convening of Congress, so as to take advantage of the latest available informa-

tion from the war zones. At the request of the Navy Department the Department of Labor has undertaken to obtain a list of former enlisted men of the Navy now employed by industrial concerns and in other employment. The purpose of the list is to enable the Navy Department to make further preparations for the formation of an adequate reserve to be called to the colors in time of war.

### RUSSIANS TAKE ZEPPELIN

German War Balloon Reported Captured Near Serock.

PETROGRAD, July 27 .- The official Russian report regarding the cam-

"In the region of the village of Serock we captured one Zeppelin, 700 prisoners and several Maxims. An epnow was repulsed by armored motor cars."

## OREGON RANCHER IS SHOT

Accusation of Incendiarism Brings Fire Which Seriously Wounds.

MERRILL, Or., July 27 .- (Special.) --E. A. Lawrence was shot and seriously wounded by Billy Todd on the Lawrence ranch near here this morning following the burning of Lawrence's barn yesterday and an accusation by Lawrence that Todd had set the fire. The Klamath-Falls Orpheus Theater was a total loss by fire early this LEFT-MAJOR-GENERAL SCOTT, CHIEF OF ARMY GENERAL STAFF, CENTER-SECRETARY OF WAR GARRISON, RIGHT-BRIGADIER-GENERAL BLISS, ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, MOUNTAINS.



