

15,000-TON DUTCH LINER GOES DOWN

Tubantia Sunk by Mine or Torpedo Off Coast of Holland as She Anchors.

ALL ON BOARD ARE SAVED

Captain Says His Vessel Was Attacked Without Warning by Submarine—Americans Said to Be Among Passengers.

LONDON, March 16.—The Holland-Lloyd passenger steamer Tubantia sank early today off the North-Holland lightship as the result of striking a mine or an attack by a submarine. All the passengers, among whom are said to have been several Americans, and the members of the crew are believed to have been rescued. The steamer carried between 80 and 90 passengers and a crew of 200. She was a vessel of 15,000 tons.

The Tubantia left Amsterdam Wednesday for the River Plate and was to have stopped at Palmoran for additional passengers and freight. Early today wireless distress signals from the steamer were received at the Hook of Holland and torpedo boats and other craft rushed to her assistance. Some of these boats reached the steamer before she sank and took off passengers and members of the crew, while others picked up survivors from the ship's boats, in which they had taken refuge after the explosion.

Messages Are Conflicting. The first flashes from the liner said she had been torpedoed and was in a sinking condition near the North-Holland Lightship. Later messages credited the disaster to the vessel's coming in contact with a mine. Until full details of the sinking of the steamer are at hand it will be impossible to say definitely what was the cause of the sinking.

Among the American passengers said to be on board the Tubantia was Richard Schilling, described as an American Consul, and his wife and daughter. Seventy survivors of the disaster were taken into Flushing, Holland, by two torpedo-boats. Others took refuge on board the lightship, while still others were picked up by Dutch and English steamers. Those arriving at Flushing said the explosion occurred at 2:30 o'clock this morning and that the Tubantia was about to drop anchor.

Survivors' Opinions Vary. Opinions among them vary as to whether the vessel had struck a mine or had been torpedoed by a submarine. A wireless dispatch from the captain of the Tubantia declared that the vessel had been attacked without warning, according to a dispatch to the Central News from Amsterdam. The torpedo, the dispatch says, struck the stern of the steamer.

Among the passengers on board was Dr. Luis Salinas Vega, Bolivian Minister to Germany, with his wife and three daughters, bound for Buenos Aires. The London office of the company says the Tubantia normally carried a crew of 200.

BERLIN, March 16.—(By wireless to Sayville, N. Y.)—The Overseas News Agency says a Dutch newspaper, Nieuwe Rotterdamse Courant, publishes a telegram dated Ymuiden, March 16, saying that the steamer Tubantia was not sunk by a mine, but by a submarine, and that all the passengers were rescued in boats.

No Americans, Says Amsterdam. The news agency adds that, according to the Amsterdam Handelsblad, a torpedo-boat with 65 survivors on board arrived at Amsterdam at 12:30 o'clock today. The same newspaper has received reports from Ymuiden that, according to the declaration of port officers, no American citizens were on board the Tubantia.

Other telegrams say that the steamer was anchored when it was struck by a drifting mine. AMSTERDAM, via London, March 16.—The Royal Holland Lloyd officials inform the Associated Press that "Consul Schilling, his wife and daughter" were American passengers aboard the Tubantia.

The American consular records do not contain the name of "Consul Schilling."

M. L. JONES REAPPOINTED

Governor Names President of State Fair Board for Another Term. SALEM, Or., March 16.—(Special.)—Governor Withycombe today reappointed M. L. Jones of Brooks, a member of the Oregon State Fair Board. Mr. Jones is now president of the board, succeeding W. H. Booth, of Roseburg, who had resigned a short time ago. He was first appointed to the board last April in place of W. A. Jones, who resigned to become secretary.

MILITARY TRAINING BEATEN

New Jersey Senate, However, Calls For National Preparedness. TRENTON, N. J., March 16.—The bill designed to provide military training in the public schools of New Jersey was defeated by the Senate, 13 to 6, today. The Senators went on record in favor of preparedness, but differed as to solution of the problem. After the defeat of the bill a resolution was adopted urging the New Jersey Representatives in Congress to support a preparedness program.

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SOCIETY LADIES HOLD FASHION PARADE FOR CHARITY.



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MISS FRANCES JUDSON. Miss Frances Judson (Social Register) participated in the fashion parade given by the Junior Anti-Suffrage League at the Plaza Hotel, New York, Miss Judson wore an evening gown, the material was Persian bouquet with dull gold lace hand decorations of peacock blue worn on head and bodice. The proceeds of the fête are to be divided between National Preparedness and anti-suffrage. This gown was but one of many exhibited in the parade. The affair was a grand success, as society turned out to view its debutantes and other young ladies gowned in the latest creations of America's most famed designers.

CONSUL UP IN ARMS

Greek Representative Says Office Is Outraged. SAN FRANCISCO, March 16.—(Special.)—The Greek representative in San Francisco today declared that the office of the consul general was outraged by the removal of property from the consulate.

PROTEST SENT MINISTER

San Francisco Police and Deputies Declared to Have Violated Treaty by Removing Property From Consulate. SAN FRANCISCO, March 16.—Cleante Vassardakis, Consul-General of Greece at San Francisco, announced today that he had made a formal protest to the Greek Minister at Washington against treatment at the hands of local courts and Sheriff's deputies. Mr. Vassardakis is confined to bed at his hotel under the care of a physician as a result of his efforts to prevent the execution of a judgment against him.

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LAND-GRAINT BILL TO BE EXPECTED

Sub-Committee Appointed to Consider Testimony and Prepare Measure.

FERRIS TO URGE VOTE

Amendment Permitting Homesteading of Land With Some Timber and Omitting Cultivation Clause Seems Probable.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 16.—The expedient action of the Oregon & California land grant bill the House public lands committee today named a sub-committee consisting of Representative Smead of Oregon, La Follette of Washington, Baker of California, Lenroot of Wisconsin and Mays of Utah, and instructed them to take the Chamberlain-Ferris bill, together with all reports and testimony before the committee, make amendments as they seemed expedient and report the amended bill to the full committee with as much expedition as possible.

When the sub-committee report is formulated it will be considered promptly by the full committee. If the report of the sub-committee is approved the bill as amended will be promptly laid before the House with a favorable recommendation, but some changes may be made in the sub-committee report by the full public lands committee.

Ferris to Ask Early Vote. Chairman Ferris said today that he would ask for special consideration of the bill by the House after it is reported. He thinks the bill is of a privileged character and may be called up at an early date. He would like to hold otherwise he will ask for a special rule.

The probabilities are that the sub-committee will report a bill embodying the main features of the Chamberlain bill and most of the amendments recommended by the attorney-general. The personnel indicates that the sub-committee will not favor placing any of the grant lands in forest reserves unless it be lands necessary for the protection of the water supply of Portland and other valley cities.

It also is a reasonably fair guess the sub-committee will recommend an amendment permitting the homesteading of land carrying not more than a million feet of timber. The attorney-general's representative Sinnott will urge that land carrying as high as 2,000,000 feet to the quarter section be classified as homestead land and that the cultivation clause be amended reducing the residence required of homesteaders from five years to three and will strive to keep out of the bill the cultivation clause recommended by the Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture.

Defeat of Purpose Feared. Several members of the sub-committee agree that the cultivation clause would operate to defeat the homesteading of timbered land and particularly stump land from which the timber has been removed.

Developments in the public lands committee today indicate that section 7, recommended by the attorney-general, proposing to confirm outstanding executory contracts, will be rejected. Attorney Williams, of the Department of Justice, in the Senate, today admitted that John Lind had conferred with the Department of Justice and had recommended this amendment. It also was reasonably well established that John Lind, by assignment from C. A. Smith, would get title to not less than 5000 acres affected by this amendment if it should be incorporated. When C. A. Smith went into bankruptcy he assigned to Lind his interest in this Oregon & California land in lieu of attorney's fees and Lind, in urging the amendment, was trying to make good his title.

Lind Chief Beneficiary. While the committee is aware that the Attorney-General's amendment would confirm titles of 93 individuals holding contracts with the railroad, most of them for 40 and 50-acre tracts, Lind as assignee of Smith would be the chief beneficiary, and there is a feeling that the amendment were incorporated in the bill it would lead to a bitter fight in the House, especially in view of the unwillingness of the Government to explain or justify the provision.

Chairman Ferris is one who thinks it better to eliminate the amendment and thus avoid an unnecessary fight in the House. If it later develops that the outstanding contracts should be confirmed, that can be done by separate legislation.

NEW REPUBLICAN PAPER BORN.

GOLD BEACH, Or., March 16.—(Special.)—The entire plant of the Curry County Leader, a weekly newspaper formerly published at Langlois, in Northern Curry County, has been transported overland on wagons to Gold Beach, where it will be published as the publication of the Gold Beach Republic, a new Republican weekly. The transportation of the plant required 10 days.

STEEL GAINS 27 PER CENT

Report Shows \$106,128,911 Increase Is Greatest on Record. NEW YORK, March 16.—The fourteenth annual report of the United States Steel Corporation, covering operations for 1915, issued today, discloses the remarkable recovery of the steel and iron industry from its low state of the preceding year and the first quarter of 1915 to the highest level of activity and prosperity ever known. The corporation's total volume of business is recorded at \$488,352,054, against \$326,228,143 in 1914. This increase of \$106,128,911 represents a gain of 27.9 per cent.

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Extra! Special for Friday! Dress Shield Brassieres at 74c Pr. Regular \$1.00 Lines. The OMO and Kleinerts. At our Notion Counter we place on sale a special lot of Dress Shield Brassieres, made of soft net and with dress shields attached to the sleeves; two styles—the OMO and Kleinert's Tzipair. All sizes. Regular \$1.00 lines. Friday Only at, pair.....74c

Radical Price Reductions Celebrated R. & G. Corsets. Models in Values to 75c Models in Values to \$1.47 \$1.50 at.....75c \$3.50 at.....\$1.47. Sixty-five Styles and Every Corset Guaranteed. Because we are overstocked on several of the most popular models of these celebrated Corsets and are in great need of additional room for other Spring goods just received, we have arranged this extraordinary sale. It is a saving event that few women will care to miss, coming, as it does, right at the beginning of the new season. First, you have choice from models Nos. 100, 200 and 300 Regularly Sold to \$1.50 at 75c Also Regular \$3.00 and \$3.50 Models at \$1.47 a Pair. About sixty-five popular models to select from in styles suitable for medium, stout and slender figures. They come in double-fly coutil, light guaranteed coutil and fancy brocades, and with rustproof steel and fine trimmings. Models that lace in front or back and all sizes. It is a sale worthy of your best attention. Come early. Models in Size 18 Only. Regularly Sold at \$3.00 to \$4.00 to Close at.....25c

Extra! Special for Friday! Stamped Ready-Made Gowns at 69c. An unusually great price reduction at this sale of Women's Stamped Semi-made Gowns of fine quality longcloth. They come in styles with kimono sleeves and in all sizes—various patterns to select from. Regular \$1.00 grade Friday Only at, Each.....69c

With Unprecedented Underpricing We Announce Our Great Spring Sale Embroideries. Thousands and thousands of yards at a third to a half less than real worth. Never before have we had the opportunity of offering such wonderful values in all sorts of fine Embroideries such as this sale contains. It is the result of an importer's closing out of surplus stocks and even at these sensational prices only the very newest and most desired styles are offered. The patterns, materials and qualities will compel admiration at first glance and the price savings will surprise you. For instance, you have choice from: Eleven Extensive Assortments. 8c YARD for 18-inch Corset Cover and Flouncing Embroideries in qualities made to sell regularly from 15c to 20c yard. ASSORTMENT NO. TWO. 15c YARD for 10 and 12-inch Swiss and Cambric Skirting Embroideries in dainty patterns. Regularly 25c and 30c grades. ASSORTMENT NO. THREE. 39c YARD for 22-inch Allover Swiss Embroideries in beautiful new patterns. Regularly 75c and 85c qualities. ASSORTMENT NO. FOUR. 59c YARD for 22-inch Allover Swiss and Cambric Embroideries in patterns and qualities regularly sold to \$1.25. ASSORTMENT NO. FIVE. 15c YARD for 27-inch Baby and Dress Embroideries in the most durable new patterns. Regular values to 39c. ASSORTMENT NO. SIX. 59c YARD for 27-inch Ruffled Baby Flouncing Embroideries in a full variety of patterns. Regular \$1.00 and \$1.25 grades.

Two Unmatchable Ribbon Offerings. Through a Very Fortunate Trade Event We Secured These Assortments of Millinery Ribbons at Bargain Prices. The Savings We Now Pass to You. Choice at 15c Yd. From 25c and 35c Qualities. Gros Grain, Satin Edge and Georgette Satin Ribbons, full 2 1/2 inches wide and shown in a complete assortment of the very latest and most popular millinery shades; qualities sold regularly up to 25c and 35c a yard. Friday only at.....15c. Choice at 39c Yd. From Values Up to \$1.00. Taffeta Ribbons in 7 1/2-inch width—6 1/2-inch Faille and Faille Moire ribbons in all wanted new and staple shades; also 5 1/2 to 7 1/2-inch Novelties, plaid and stripe ribbons in qualities regularly sold up to \$1.00. On sale for Friday 39c Only at.....