

GERMAN RAIDER IS PROBABLY MOEWE

Rio Janeiro Feels Assured on Point.

AMERICAN SHIPS NOT SUNK

Danish Flag Used in Making Escape From Germany.

HAY CONCEALS BIG GUNS

Steamer Supposed to Have Been Repainted Several Times—Japanese Regarded by Brazil as German Vessel.

RIO JANEIRO, Jan. 18.—The British steamer Yarowdale, with the crews of eight ships sunk by the German raider in the Atlantic, arrived January 16 at Sao Vicente, Cape Verde Islands, according to reliable information received here. It is said she has on board 400 men of the crews of the sunken ships.

RIO JANEIRO, Brazil, Jan. 18.—It is considered almost certain here that the German sea raider which has been creating havoc among entente shipping in the South Atlantic is the Moeve, the German armed raider which captured the Appam and sunk numerous entente ships in Atlantic waters a year ago.

The American Consul at Pernambuco cabled the Embassy here confirming the landing of several Americans from vessels which fell victim to the raider. He said that no American ships had been sunk by the German craft and that all the American sailors landed were men from the crews of foreign vessels.

Armament Concealed by Hay.

According to reports from an authoritative source, the Moeve is understood to have sailed from Kiel under the Danish flag, carrying a cargo of hay on the bridge in order to conceal her armament. When last seen the Moeve was painted black with white markings.

Her armament included four torpedo tubes in service and several tubes in reserve. She is believed to have carried a mine-laying apparatus.

Refugee Ship Not Reported.

As yet there is no news of the British steamer Yarowdale, which, under command of German officers, was reported yesterday to be proceeding for port with shipwrecked crews aboard.

Names of Americans Given.

It is announced officially at the American Consulate that the following Americans were among the crews of the ships sunk by the raider who have been landed at Pernambuco: Benjamin Stevens, Frank Magee, David Johnson, Fred Smith, Harry Picot, Guy Vandoren, Royal Gregory and an unnamed negro.

These men were members of the crew of the St. Theres, which was captured on December 12, but not sunk. In addition to these another American, Charles Jones, member of the crew of the steamer Minnie H., captured on December 19, has arrived here.

NORFOLK, Va., Jan. 18.—Wireless reports picked up here tonight say at least 11, if not more, allied cruisers are now searching for the German raider playing havoc with entente merchant ships in the South Atlantic.

The cruisers are sending out warnings to allied ships, giving the last two locations of the raider and advising merchantmen to avoid the known routes in the South Atlantic.

WILSON REFUSES HEARING

Veto of Immigration Bill Expected Because of Literacy Test.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—President Wilson today denied application for a public hearing on the Immigration bill recently passed by the House and it is expected he will veto the bill because of its literacy test provision, which led him to veto a similar measure previously.

An effort will be made to pass the bill over his veto.

BOARD OF TRADE BUILDING IS SOLD

MAX H. HOUSER SAID TO BE PRINCIPAL OWNER.

Gay Lombard and Dr. E. H. Parker Reported to Have Received \$325,000, All in Cash.

The 11-story reinforced concrete Board of Trade building, which covers a quarter-block at the southeast corner of Fourth and Oak streets, was sold yesterday by its owners, Gay Lombard, owner of the Lumbermen's building and other valuable Portland property, and Dr. Edward H. Parker, of Los Angeles, who was formerly a prominent surgeon in Portland. The consideration was announced as \$325,000, all cash.

The property is being deeded to the Security Savings & Trust Company, which will hold it in trust for the real purchasers. It is understood upon reliable authority that Max H. Houser, a wealthy grain dealer and exporter of this city, is concerned prominently as one of the buyers, and that he will be the principal stockholder in the corporation which is to handle the property.

The Board of Trade building was erected eight years ago, on land owned by Dr. Parker. The construction was commenced by the Oregon Trust & Savings Bank. Before the structure was completed the bank failed and the building was purchased by Gay Lombard. The Board of Trade building has been one of Portland's most prominent office structures.

FIRE FOOLS AUDIENCE

Aberdeen Theater Crowd Takes Disturbance for Part of Show.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—A fire which threatened much damage broke out behind the scenes at the Grand Theater last night while a large audience in front watched the production. "Intolerance. So skillful was the situation handled that the audience never learned of the blaze until they were leaving the theater. The smoke from the burning wood mingled with that from powder set off to add to some of the scenes of the play, and the noise of chopping of big holes through the rear of the building and tearing down of the theater chimney came at the time Babylon was falling in the play, and the crowd mistook the noise for part of the show. The firemen fought the blaze for nearly two hours.

POTATOES SELL AT \$50

Flour Reaches Top Notch Price of \$8.65 at Tacoma.

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—That another advance in the price of potatoes will be made shortly in the Tacoma market is the prediction made by local commission men. Some dealers quoted Yakima potatoes up to \$50 a ton today, but the average price is still \$47 a ton. The demand is very heavy, and it is evident that many people are laying in supplies to be prepared for the threatened potato famine.

Flour is at the highest point on record in the Tacoma market, Olympia and Krone brands being quoted at \$8.65 a barrel.

WOMAN LEADS RECRUITING

Georgia Postmistress First to Induce Man to Join Marine Corps.

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 18.—Woman is rapidly outstripping her masculine rivals in military affairs, and a postmistress leads in the lure of the fighting man.

In the postmaster campaign for recruits for the United States Marine Corps, the first person to receive the \$5 reward for securing a recruit for the "soldiers of the sea" was a woman, Miss Mary Rudin, handler of the mails at Forsyth, Ga., who enlisted Richard Lewis Ponder, of that place, according to First Sergeant Ernest H. Galway, of the local Marine Corps recruiting station.

UNION OPERA-HOUSE BURNS

Several Buildings Threatened, but Fire Thaws Water Mains.

UNION, Or., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—The Union Opera-House, one of the finest buildings of its kind in Eastern Oregon, was completely destroyed by fire this morning at 3 o'clock. The blaze is presumed to have started from an overheated stove.

MANY GO BREAKFASTLESS

Break in Gas Mains Discommodates Coos Bay Residents.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—Many in Marshfield and North Bend were unable to prepare breakfast this morning, owing to a break in the Oregon Power Company's gas main at Ferndale. Newspapers were delayed until 11 o'clock by lack of gas for their linotypes.

The inconvenience caused by the break affected principally those in housekeeping apartments, where gas is used almost exclusively for cooking.

MISSING AVIATORS REPORTED KILLED

Indians Tell of Seeing Dead Bodies.

MURDER BY BANDITS FEARED

Search to Continue Until Fate Is Definitely Known.

MORE AIRCRAFT EXPECTED

Governor Cantu, of Lower California, Sends Horsemen to Scour Region—Men Have Been Missing Eight Days.

CALEXICO, Cal., Jan. 18.—Reports, as yet unconfirmed, that Indians had reported seeing the bodies of two men at Laguna Prieta, 20 miles northwest of the head of the Gulf of California, were received here tonight by military authorities "who are conducting the search for Lieutenant-Colonel Harry G. Bishop and Lieutenant W. A. Robertson, Jr., lost Army aviators.

Rumor Increases Fears.

The report said Indians had seen two bodies lying in a pool of water and they were clad only in underclothing. The rumor served to increase the fear that the aviators may have landed in a region infested by bandits and were either made captives or killed.

Search Will Be Complete.

Major Frank Barton, commanding Camp John H. Beacom, after a conference with officers from the North Island Aviation School, announced tonight that search will be continued until the military authorities to continue the search until the "termination of the unfortunate flight of the two men is definitely known."

Rain, fog and cold weather prevented further search by military airplanes tonight. The three Army airplanes which were brought from the North Island aviation base at San Diego were at the aviation base here tonight and the military aviators who are conducting the search were prepared for an early start tomorrow if the weather permitted. The two additional airplanes expected from San Diego today did not arrive, being delayed by weather conditions, according to Army officers here.

Rain made the roads and desert country impassable and automobile (Concluded on Page 2, Column 4.)

WITH ARCTIC COLD BAKER HAS NO COAL

ONE SMALL CAR ARRIVES AND IS BEING DOLED OUT.

Appeals to Mines and Railroad Are Made and Chief Hope Lies in Briquet Shipments.

BAKER, Or., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—With predictions of continued below-zero weather and the consequent diminishing of the coal supply, Baker's fuel famine grows even more threatening tonight. The thermometer touched 5 below this morning and probably will go lower than that tomorrow morning. One dealer received a small car of coal today and is dealing it out in small quantities because it is the only fuel on sale in Baker. Even the supply of briquets is reported to be exhausted.

All dealers have telegraphed the mines appealing for rush shipments and are awaiting replies. They have one chance left if Utah and Wyoming mines cannot aid and that is the Washington State mines, but they will not order there except as a last resort because the coal is not satisfactory for use here.

PICKETING IS PROTESTED

Presidential Office Insulted by Women, Says Member of Congress.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—A protest against the "annoyance of suffrage pickets" posted at the gateway of the White House was made in the House today by Representative Emerson, of Ohio.

'DEWEY ISLANDS' FAVORED

Joint Resolution Proposes New Name for Danish West Indies.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—Change of name of the Danish West Indies to the "Dewey Islands," in honor of Admiral Dewey, was proposed in a joint resolution introduced today by Representative Allen, of Ohio.

FIRST BILL IS SIGNED

Measure Is Appropriation of \$25,000 for Cost of Session.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—Governor Withycombe today signed House Bill No. 60, the first bill to be signed by the Executive at this session.

It was introduced by the joint ways and means committee and provides an appropriation of \$25,000 as a part of the expenses of the Legislative Assembly. (Concluded on Page 3, Column 1.)

LAWYER SELECTED FOR 'LEAK' INQUIRY

Boston Man Chosen; Untermeyer Rejected.

ADMINISTRATION LOSES OUT

Republicans Turn Tide With Charge of Partisanship.

BITTER FIGHT IS WAGED

Investigation That Will Extend Deeply Into Wall-Street Stock Manipulations Now Regarded as on Programme.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—Sherman L. Whipple, of Boston, a Democrat and a noted trial lawyer, was invited tonight by the House rules committee to act as counsel in the peace note leak investigation, which, it now appears, will extend deeply into Wall Street stock manipulations.

STORAGE BILL OFFERED

Measure Would Require All of Foods to Be Dated.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—Representative Callan introduced a bill in the House today that is expected to elicit substantially in solving the high-cost-of-living problem.

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MOOSE AND PROHIS TALKING OF UNION

POSSIBLE WORKING AGREEMENT IS SEEN BY DRYS.

Invitation From Matthew Hale, Acting Chairman of Progressives, Read to Prohibitionists.

CHICAGO, Jan. 18.—A possible understanding between the Progressive party and the Prohibition party which might result in a working agreement between the two for the enactment of National prohibition by constitutional amendment was seen today in the events of the last session of the three-day conference of the National Committee of the Prohibitionist party.

FERRY IS OUT OF SERVICE

Temperature at Hood River 18 and Only Center of River Is Open.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—Although the temperature last night 18 degrees above zero, was eight degrees higher than the two former nights, the ice of the Columbia has continued to thicken, and today for the first time ferry communication with Washington points was cut off. While a clear space in midstream was kept open by the strong current, the ice near shore was so thick that the boat could not ply.

AUTO LICENSE FEES MAY RISE

The House passed Representative Bean's bill authorizing the State Board of Control to issue bonds, if necessary, to match the Federal appropriation of \$1,800,000 for road improvement work in Oregon. The expenditure is to be spread over a period of five years, and the state need bond itself only enough to complete the \$1,800,000 fund if that amount is not available from other sources. The Government requires the state to spend dollar for dollar.

PROPOSED INCREASES IN AUTOMOBILE LICENSE FEES AND ON GASOLINE DISTRIBUTION, IT IS BELIEVED, WILL GO FAR TOWARD MEETING THE GOVERNMENT'S REQUIREMENTS

The Bean bill caused prolonged discussion. Bean explained it at length and defended it. There was some opposition, but on recall the following were the only members who voted against it: Bowman, Burton, Cartmill, Childs, Cornelius, Elinore, Lafayette, Meek and Porter. The measure carries an emergency clause.

The judiciary meetings attracted much interest. Three bills were under consideration: Representative Bowman's, to prohibit circulating initiative or referendum petitions for sale; Representative Gordon's, insure genuineness of signatures by requiring a comparison with the registration lists; and Representative Brownell's, to provide for filling petitions by paying a \$500 fee. Representative Corbin, chairman of the committee, presided.

W. S. U'Ren, sometimes known as the "father of the initiative and referendum," spoke in support of the Gordon bill. He said it would guard against the misuse of popular government. He approved of the Brownell bill, but said the fee should be higher, at least \$1000. It costs that much to get an initiative petition circulated, he said.

"There is no danger of getting too many bills on the ballot," he added, "as the people have learned to use their privilege wisely. I have faith in the judgment of the people and I want to tell you a secret, I have more faith in the Legislature than I used to have. But the initiative is responsible."

Mr. U'Ren vigorously opposed the Bowman bill, declaring it would make it impossible to get an initiative measure on the ballot more than once in 10 years. In fact, everyone excepting Bowman himself opposed the Bowman bill.

Labor and Grange Represented.

E. J. Stack, secretary of the State Federation of Labor; O. R. Hartwig, also representing the labor federation; James S. Stewart, M. H. Butler and C. E. Spence, of the State Grange; and A. R. Shumway, of the Farmers' Union, asked the committee to be sparing in tinkering with the initiative. They didn't want any of the peoples' privileges taken away, and didn't want the Legislature to get into the habit of making changes in the law.

Miss Florence Olson and Mrs. S. V. Lewelling opposed both the Bowman and Gordon bills, but favored the Brownell bill. A. I. Veasie, like Mr. U'Ren, supported the Gordon bill.

The committee reported that they will report favorably on the Gordon bill and unfavorably on the two others.

Seventeen New Bills Received.

The House today passed three bills, indefinitely postponed three and received 17 new bills.

The following bills were passed: H. B. 21, by Bean—Empowering State Board of Control to issue bonds in amount necessary to match Federal road appropriation for Oregon. H. B. 22, by Beas—Fixing salary of District Attorney of Jefferson County at \$500 per annum. Substitute H. B. 5.—Providing for recording certificates of sale for real property sold on execution to residents of outside county in which property is situated. The following were indefinitely postponed: H. B. 19, by Jones—Repealing law providing for county school supervisors. H. B. 54, by Lewis—Providing for cancellation. (Concluded on Page 7, Column 7.)

RABINDRANATH TAGORE, THE GREAT HINDU POET, TOOK A GOOD LOOK AT US AND SAYS IT WAS UNPLEASANT.



SIR RABINDRANATH KNEW WHEN HE HIT CHICAGO