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GERMAN RAIDER IN U. S. PORT

Kronz Prinz Wilhelm A Converted Cruiser Puts Into Newport News Today

HAS GREAT RECORD

Destroyed Fourteen Vessels and Cargoes Valued at $7,000,000--Many Prisoners

CREW VICTIMS OF BERI BERI

Makes Spectacular Dash Through Lane of British and French Warships Lying in Wait for German Cruiser Prinz Eitel Freiderich

WAS CHASED BY BRITISH WARSHIPS

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

NEWPORT NEWS, April 12.—How Kronprinz Wilhelm was chased by British warships after midnight Sunday and barely escaped capture was described today by officers of the British merchant vessels destroyed by the Wilhelm in south Atlantic. They saw one British warship, which gave chase from midnight until the Wilhelm reached safety in the Virginia Capes at 2 a. m. Other warships were heard.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

NEW YORK NEWS, April 12.—The German converted cruiser Kron Prinz Wilhelm, the second of the stable commerce raiders to enter this port, lay at anchor off here today after a spectacular dash through a line of British and French warships which have been hovering off the Virginia capes waiting for the Prinz Eitel Friederich. Although Commander Thierfelder, of the Kron Prinz Wilhelm asked for 300 tons of coal and supplies for three days, the Federal authorities allowed him 170 tons and provisions for three days. During her long voyage through the Southern seas, since she slipped out of New York August 3, the Kron Prinz Wilhelm has sunk nine British, four French and one Norwegian vessel.

Has Remarkable Record.

The fourteen vessels and cargoes destroyed were valued at $7,000,000. Nearly 1000 prisoners were taken. This was accomplished with only four guns, two taken from the German cruiser Karlsruhe shortly after leaving New York, and two captured from a British merchant vessel.

She was forced to come into port because of the outbreak of the disease beri beri and for supplies and repairs. Arrangements are underway for the removal of 61 British sailors taken from the steamers Tamar and Conway, destroyed in the South Atlantic.

The sinking by the Wilhelm of the neutral Norwegian bark Semantha, bound for Falmouth, on February 1, promises to present a case similar to the sinking of the William P. Frye by the Eitel. The Semantha was loaded with wheat for England. The Semantha's ship was a contraband of war," said Lieutenant Watzenke, first officer of the Wilhelm. "We found the wheat was owned by the British government. We had to destroy her."

THE DOGBANE

Webster's dictionary describes last fall, the disease known which the crew of the Kron Prinz Wilhelm is suffering as "cholera."

Indigestion acute diarrhoea occurring in India, characterized by multiple involuntary charges in the bowels, producing great exhaustion; debility, a painful rigidity of the limbs and collapse. A disease like scurvy, resulting from imperishable food of the blood.

SINK ANOTHER BOAT

GERMAN SUBMARINE TORPEDOES HARRISON STEAMER

Another Report Says Vessel Was Only Disabled and Is Being Towed into Queenstown

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

LONDON, April 12.—The Harrison line steamer Wayfarer was torpedoed and sunk by a submarine, according to a message received by a news agency here today. Another message says the vessel has not gone down but is being towed to Queenstown. She was torpedoed off Scilly Islands. She is registered at 6222 tons. The Wayfarer was built in 1903 and owned in Liverpool.

DREDGING CLOSES

PORT COMMISSIONERS ASK FINAL ESTIMATE FOR WORK

South Inlet Petitions Channel Deepening—Dredge Company Put Under $10,000 Bonds.

Special meeting of the Port Commissioners to act on the final estimate and come to final settlement with the Puget Sound Bridge and Dredging Company will be called within a few days, according to a decision of the commissioners at their monthly meeting this morning in the Chamber of Commerce.

As guarantee that the dredging company will leave its contract properly carried out and to relieve the Port of any future liabilities and damage suits by reason of some act of the company a bond of $10,000 for six years will be made out at once by R. E. Miller, dredging superintendent.

Filling in of the channel at the Breakwater dock, a fact which is said to have held the steamship listed for two hours while tied there lately, has been due to a slide from underneath the dock in the belief of Donald Charleson. He was given instructions to make a survey and the dredge Seattle will be moved into the upper bay to remove the sediment.

That the fill could have been made in no other way, being so close to the dock, was the belief of the Commissioners. Mr. Charleson stated that the harbor line has made a sort of wall and that in all probability it is part of this wall that has collapsed, farther out in the channel.

Dredge South Inlet

A petition signed by property owners of South Inlet asking that the inlet dredge be sent there to deepen the channel between Vallino Island and the upper county bridge was presented at the meeting. The port attorneys were given instructions to take the matter up with the county court and seek their cooperation in bettering this channel for small boat navigation. This will be presented in the form of a project.

Contracts signed with property owners for the Fernhale fill were at the rate of four cents a cubic yard but the report of the engineer showed that there has been an additional cost to slightly above four cents. This, however, because of the contracts, can not be charged against those who received the fill. The reports of Engineer Charleson was for 279,052 yards of fill.

Notes aggregating $7,215 and cash amounting to $364 has been collected during the last month, as due on south Marshfield fills, according to Attorney J. T. Stead who has had charge of this work. The Commissioners expressed themselves satisfied with what has been accomplished and Mr. Stead was allowed $15 additional to cashier his work, putting the accounts of all the property owners into a tangible form, where they will either pay or not pay, the latter then to be presented to the Port attorneys and sue legal.

Wood Derelict Removed

The old ship Northeast adrift in Isthmus inlet slowly and now is removed declared the Commissioners and the attorneys were asked to petition its removal to the government wharves east in the Port. It was stated that four fifths of the owners of the vessel have abandoned the city are willing to slowly be destroyed.

While other jobs at 40 cents a foot and amounting in all to $145 were bought from J. H. Pinkerton, of South Inlet, for use in marking the channels of the inlets and grade, a successful settlement at the March meeting of the Commissioners.

CAPT. EDGAR EUSTON is expected to arrive in North Bend this week from San Francisco. Mr. Aiken, the new manager of the dredging interests will accompany him.

INDIANA MEN GO TO PRISON

Severe Sentence for Officials Who Violated Country's Election Laws.

6 YEARS FOR MAYOR

Fine of $2000 Also Imposed —Circuit Court Judge Gets Five Year Sentence

116 MEN TO BE SENTENCED

County Sheriff, City Judge, President of Board of Public Works and Other Prominent Citizens Are Caught in Court's Drag Net

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 12.—Mayor Donn M. Roberts, one of the 27 men convicted by the jury in Federal court for participation in a conspiracy to defraud the government in the election in Terre Haute on November 2, was sentenced to six years in Leavenworth prison and to pay a fine of $2000. In all 116 men, 83 of whom pleaded guilty, were to be sentenced.

Other Prominent Men Sentenced

Eli H. Redman, elected Circuit Court Judge of Vigo County, and Sheriff Shea were sentenced to five years and fined $1000 each. Harry S. Montgomery, President of the Board of Public Works; Thomas C. Smith, City Judge; George Ehrenhardt, member of the Board of Public Works; Edward R. Driscoll, Secretary of the Vigo County Democratic Central Committee, were sentenced to three years and fined $500

FRANCE TO BUY CARGO OF STEAMER DACIA

Government Will Purchase Cotton Aboard American Ship Seized on Way to Germany

PARIS, April 12.—Announcement was made that the French government had decided to buy the cargo of cotton carried by the American ship Dacia, which was seized by a French cruiser while on its way to Germany. The Chamber of Deputies will be asked for an appropriation for this purpose.

WIRES DOWN TODAY

WESTERN UNION OUT OF COMMISSION THREE HOURS

Associated Press Report Was Stopped When About One Third Was Received

The Western Union telegraph wires went out of commission about noon today and remained down until half past three. Only one fifth of the Associating Press report reached The Times and the lineminder will arrive too late for this evening's paper which will account for the lack of telegraph news. Fortunately some important war news came through in time to be published in this issue.

NEW CASES IN CIRCUIT COURT DOCKET

The following cases have been filed in the circuit court here since April 1st.

April 3.—C. L. Pelgiet vs. John Knudsen.

April 3.—Florence A. Barton vs. Nellie Wickard, wife Nelle Aaron, et al.

April 3.—H. A. Scott vs. Eva Scott, suit for divorce.

April 3.—A. Sturgard vs. J. F. Parker and Flora M. Parker.

April 3.— W. J. Mitchell and T. C. Carpenter, doing business as the Coast Detective Bureau, vs. Jim Couch.

April 3.—W. J. Conrad vs. E. B. Purvis, et al.

April 3.—Thiel Detwiler vs. W. J. Fruchtnicht, et al.

April 3.—Suits vs. Wilson Smith, et al.

April 3.—Suits vs. Chas. C. Barton, et al.—Settled.

BATTLESHIPS FOR PET

SHASTA, April 10.—Arthur Wandling, of Cottage Grove, was in Shasta the first part of this week. He had a rattlesnake in a paper sack and was taking it to some school ma'am in the Grove who wanted it for a pet. We can't say we admire her choice of pets.

NAVAL BATTLE ON

HEAVY FIRING OFF ENGLISH COAST NEAR SCARBOROUGH

Indications are That Some Sort of Engagement is Now in Progress Near There

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

LONDON, April 12.—Reports are current here that heavy firing is taking place off Scarborough, indicating that some kind of naval engagement is in progress.

MRS. BEATTIE DIES

HAD ATTENDED CHURCH YESTERDAY; END COMES TODAY

Aged Pioneer, 44 Years in Coos County; Survived by Five Children; Funeral Announcement Later.

Having attended services yesterday and appearing in her fairly good health, Mrs. Margaret Beattie, aged 77 years and one of the best known pioneers of Coos Bay, died shortly after six o'clock this morning. Messages were at once dispatched to a daughter in Seattle and another in Fresno and no funeral arrangements will be made, waiting a reply from them.

For the past year Mrs. Beattie has not been in robust health. Members of her family say they noticed a gradual decline, though yesterday she made no particular complaint about illness and was able to go to church service in the Catching Inlet school house. Afterwards she went to the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. A. Church, and this morning, about six o'clock, complained that she was not feeling well. A short time afterwards, she had passed away.

Mrs. Beattie was born in the county of Ayrshire, Scotland, 1838, and when a young woman came across the Atlantic in the old sailing passenger ships and for several years lived in Pennsylvania. She came to the Pacific Coast, traveling across the Isthmus of Panama and settled in California with her husband.

Forty-four years ago they moved north to Oregon and lived for a time at Libby, though the past 37 years have been spent by Mrs. Beattie on Coos River. Her husband, William Beattie, died about 12 years ago.

The deceased is surviving by five children. They are Mrs. R. A. Church, Coos River; W. R. Beattie, Ten Mile; J. C. Beattie, Coos River; Mrs. D. E. Quinn, Seattle, and Mrs. J. W. Ross, Fresno.

OREGON CATHOLICS

STATISTICS OF CHURCH IN THIS STATE ISSUED

Official Directory Shows Catholic Population, Private, and Activity in Oregon.

PORTLAND, April 12.—The official Catholic Directory just issued by P. J. Kennedy & Sons, New York, gives the following statistics for the archdiocese of Oregon City, including Portland, for the past year: Archbishop 1, mitred other 1, diocesan priests 12, priests of religious orders 10, total priests 122, churches with resident priests 61, missions with churches 41, total churches 146, archbishop about 35, chapels 15, secondary of religious order 1, students 10, colleges and academies for boys 1, students 100, parishes with parochial schools 15, academies for girls and young ladies 12, pupils in schools and academies 1321, orphan asylums 2, orphans 161, hospitals 2, House of Good Shepherd 1, home for the aged 1, Catholic young women's home 1, total young people under Catholic care 1500, Catholic population about 40,000.

For the Diocese of Baker there are: Bishop 1, diocesan priests 13, priests of religious orders 14, total priests 27, secular, retired students 1, religious women 124, churches with resident priests 22, missions with churches 21, total churches 43, chapels 2, academies for young ladies 4, parishes with parochial schools 12, total children at Catholic schools 1242, hospitals 1, marriages 121, baptisms, infant, adult 89; total 281; deaths 144, Catholic children about 500; Catholic population about 4000.

PROHIBITION NOT AN ISSUE

Bryan Opposes Injecting Dry Measure Into Platform In 1916.

DEMOCRATS "DRY"

Wherever Issue Appears He Wants His Party to Favor Prohibition.

STATEMENT MADE BY HIM

Great Commoner Thinks Neither Platform Will Deal With Liquor in the Next Great National Campaign.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 12.—Secretary of State Bryan disposed of reports that he is seeking to make the prohibition question a vital issue in the next national campaign instead of having it confined to the states.

In the formal statement he said it does not seem probable that the liquor question will find a place in the platform of the Democratic or Republican party next year.

"I do not know to what extent the liquor question will be an issue in the campaign next year," Mr. Bryan says. "At the present time it does not seem probable that it will find a place in the platform of either the Democratic or the Republican party, but there is no reason why the national committeemen should not represent the sentiment of the party on this subject as on other subjects.

"Prohibition is not an issue in all the states, but wherever it is an issue I hope to see the Democratic party take the prohibition side. It cannot ally itself with the liquor interests without losing its moral standing, and the moral standing of a party is the thing that gives it permanent strength."

Statement Made To Iowan

The statement was issued to the press in connection with a letter of Mr. Bryan to L. S. Kennington of Iowa in regard to the selection of a national Democratic committeeman from that state.

Mr. Bryan reaws the urgings that Democrats everywhere take the right side of the liquor question. As concerns man "with the right views on the liquor issue" is to be preferred by Democrats, he asserts, to a well known man "who is wrong on the liquor issue." The Democratic party, he declares, must refuse to ally itself with the liquor interests in any state, even for a temporary advantage.

RAILWAY WORK IN OREGON

U. S. OFFICIAL REPORT SHOWS $12,000,000 SPENT IN YEAR

Report of the Railway Commissioner Shows Cost of New Lines and Betterments to be Large

SALEM, April 12.—Twelve million dollars was spent in Oregon last year by railroads in making betterments and betterments, according to the annual report of the state railroad commissioner, among the more important items was the building of 14 miles of track of the Willamette Pacific Railroad from Eugene westward. The Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation company's construction of 31 miles of track from Yale to Riverton, completion of the Portland, Eugene & Eastern railway, 144 miles, from Portland to Wilsonville, the building of a practical line on the Oregon Electric from Portland to Forest Grove, and the practical reconstruction of the Corvallis & Eastern railroad, also are notable railway improvements.

The Oregon-Washington railroad made all other lines in the amount expended, the Oregon Electric showing the company to have spent $2,444,747. Construction of the 31 miles from Yale to Riverton cost $1,116,502. This road is operated under the name of the Oregon Eastern railroad.

Strange Cases—At 19 just "old Town" upon arriving with wheelbarrow at the Jura Saturday, having been brought down from Portland for the harbor. Yesterday he went paddling with Chief Thompson to Coos River where the small craft has been left for working operations, the owner leaving the cockleers waiting at the Bay with the "egg shell" craft that is very easily upset. The canoe was formerly used by Mr. Baylord on the Columbia river.

Times Want Ads for results.

INVASION OF HUNGARY BEGUN

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

LONDON, April 12.—From Russian sources it is reported that an invasion of Hungary has begun. Lemberg despatch says Russians are descending the southern slopes of the Carpathians between Bartfeld and Munsack and pressing back the Austrians. They are reported to also have routed the Austrians in the Dukla region. No significant developments are reported in France or Belgium. Fighting has been resumed between the Oise and the Aisne where comparatively quiet has been for several weeks, but no indications as to its result. Between the Meuse and the Moselle, Paris reports that the German positions said to have been previously captured are maintained while Berlin denies the French gained any ground in this region.

REBUILD SAWMILL TO BEGIN WORK SOON

Klamath Falls Pelican Bay Lumber Co. Will Resume Cutting With 300 Men

KLAMATH FALLS, April 12.—The Pelican Bay Lumber Company, after losing its sawmill by fire less than a year ago, will Thursday begin the operation of its plant, giving employment to over 300 men. The mill just completed is double the size of the one destroyed. It is a twin band mill, and will cut 150,000 feet of lumber every ten hours. The plant is equipped for night work, and is able to turn out 60,000 feet a season.

HERE'S A FISH YARN

QUEER TALE RELATED BY HALF-BREED TRAPPER OF WIS.

Indian Tells Record Breaking Fish Story That Has as a Climax Clinch of a Great River Monster

CHIPPEWA FALLS, Wis.—April 12.—Aaron Pipeshaw, a half-breed Indian who came to this city this week with a pack of pelts, related a most remarkable story while waiting for a north-bound train yesterday afternoon. Aaron, who sometimes acts as guide for sportsmen seeking pastime in the woods, told the following story:

"Last week me and another fellow were picking wild rice in the Flambeau river, near where it joins the Chippewa. We had been working all day in a thirty-foot driver's boat and when night came on we concluded to catch a mess of fish for our supper. So I picked out a coarse line and large hook and pretty soon caught a small sun fish which I used for bait. In less than a minute a good sized pike swallowed the sunfish and as I was pulling him in a large bass grabbed the pike and swallowed it. Then a big pike darted to the surface and swallowed the bass.

My companion was yelling, 'Great Gosh!' when a huge sturgeon appeared and going down the struggling pike in the sturgeon was the line big to land in the boat we started to row to shore, but as we were progressing slowly and under great resistance there was a mighty swirl in the water that nearly upset us and a huge black mass leaped up in the water, resembling the toy of a large rock-rolling baby and coming up to a great conference mouth it swooped in the sturgeon, perch, bass, pike and pickerel, and while me and my friend were making a fast swim for shore I looked back just in time to see the last disappear into the monster's ravening mouth, which was then shown and below by glistening white teeth, some of which must have been a foot long.

"Next morning we found the monster three miles down the river, high and dry on the west bank, dead. With our hunting knife and a pickaxe we pried the monster open and after resting my way through stomach, gills, bass and perch, we found that the little sunfish was still alive, the smashing fatally and not having the heart to let it die after all that it had been through we towed it into the water and was pleased to see it revive and swim away and disappear.

"Crowds of people came here to see the monster among whom was a college professor from Madison who said that there was no doubt but that it was a gigantic specimen of the fresh water sturgeon, or 'whistling whale,' long thought to be extinct. And that the mystery surrounding the

SEATTLE VESSEL GOES ON ROCKS

Steamer Minnesota Plying Between West Coast and Japan is Wrecked.

PASSENGERS SAFE

Possibility That Vessel May Be Floated as Salvage Steamer Asked For

WAS ON HER RETURN TRIP

Sailed Sunday From Nagasaki, Japan and Went Aground Near Entrance to Inland Sea Some Time Last Night.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

KOBE, Japan, April 12.—The American steamer Minnesota, plying between Japanese ports and Seattle, struck a rock last night off Iwajima, near the Southwestern entrance to the Inland Sea. In a wireless message, Captain Garlick asked for a salvage steamer. He said that all passengers and crew were safe.

It is believed the Minnesota can be floated, but beyond the fact that one of her holds was pierced by the rocks, the amount of damage was not made known. An unnamed steamer responded promptly to the S. O. S. call, and, it is believed, took off the passengers. The Minnesota sailed from Nagasaki Sunday for Seattle and way ports.

MISTOOK COURSE IN STORM

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

KOBE, Japan, April 12.—Telegraphic dispatches say the American steamer Minnesota mistook her course in a storm last night and went ashore in a most dangerous point of the inland sea. The vessel ripped a hole 150 feet long in the forward part of the steamer. The Japanese steamer Takuma answered the distress calls and found the entire crew working desperately at the pumps. The Blue Funnel liner lands, from Seattle, rescued the passengers. The wife of governor Harrison of the Philippines was among the passengers.

GENERAL OBERSON ARMY

Refuses to Treat With Foreign Ambassadors

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

EL PASO, April 12.—General Obregon, who advanced north as far as Celaya, has declined to treat with German, French, British and American consuls from Guaymas, regarding the exit from Celaya of women and children, according to a statement today from Villa, who is preparing to bombard the town.

SUES McADOO

Riggs National Bank of Washington Commences Action Against the Government.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]

WASHINGTON, April 12.—Riggs National bank, the largest in Washington, today began legal proceedings against Secretary McAdoo and Comptroller Williams to compel them to desist from the alleged efforts to ruin the business.

PLANET EARTH GROWS OLD

Through Loss of Heat and Moisture Will Gradually Grow Uninhabitable Now is Life's Early Afternoon

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, EUGENE, April 12.—This is early afternoon in the life of the planet Earth. Heat will gradually grow less and rain become greater. Mountains will slowly disappear. Atmospheric conditions will change.

When the loss of heat has proceeded to a degree where all the earth has a temperature below freezing, plant life will disappear, and without plants animals must also cease. Mercury and Venus, planets nearer the sun than the earth, have already reached this condition.

These are among statements made in a lecture on "A Theory of World Formation," delivered by Orin F. Stafford, professor of chemistry at the State University before the University assembly. For 200,000 years, however, the earth will remain (100°) the same as now, Professor Stafford confidently says.

Unexplained destruction of several dams in this vicinity, generally occurring at night, is now understood-ly solved."

The professor proclaims the "murderer" and his skeleton will soon be to rare along the other queer specimens in the museum at Madison.

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