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AMERICAN LOST ON HESPERIAN

Sailor Named Wolff, From Newark, N. J., Was Among Victims of Big Liner

SHIP CARRIED GUN

Fact Established Beyond a Doubt and No Secret of Its Presence Was Made

INFORMATION IS ASKED

Secretary Lansing Wires Berlin for More Facts About the Sinking—Belief Expressed That Submarine Was Not Responsible

LANSING ASKS FOR MORE INFORMATION

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 8.—Secretary of State Lansing today cabled Ambassador Gerard at Berlin to forward any information available on the sinking of the steamer Hesperian.

QUEENSTOWN, Sept. 8.—It has been established that an American named Wolff, an able seaman, was lost on the Hesperian. He came from Newark, N. J., and was of Dutch parentage.

Gun Was Aboard. There was absolutely no doubt that a gun was mounted on the Hesperian. It is understood the gun was visible and that no secret was made of its presence.

DENIED IN BERLIN

Belief Expressed That Vessel Was Not Torpedoed

BERLIN, Sept. 8.—Persons in positions to speak with authority, assert positively their convictions that the Hesperian was not torpedoed by a German submarine, at least under conditions thus far described.

IN FULL COMMAND

ARMY TAKES IMPORTANT STEP IN BROWNSVILLE DISTRICT

Officers Will Have Authority Over Civilians if Border Shooting Should Be Resumed

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., Sept. 8.—The United States army today took the most important step it has yet made in border complications of the lower Rio Grande when an order was issued here giving army officers command over the actions of civilians on the river bank in case shooting across the boundary is resumed.

Will Handle Matter. Hereafter the army will attempt to handle all situations. The Carranza authorities announced that they believe they can cooperate better with the Americans in suppressing bandits if there is no divided authority on the river bank.

EVACUATE TORREON

REPORT THAT VILLA FORCES HAVE LEFT THAT CITY

Statement to That Effect is Made at the Carranza Headquarters at Washington

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 8.—Unofficial reports to Carranza headquarters here today said Villa's forces had evacuated Torreon, the objective of Obregon's army advancing from Saltillo.

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W. T. JOHNSTON AND C. J. GRIFFIN WIN

FOREST HILLS, N. Y., Sept. 8.—W. M. Johnston and Clarence J. Griffin, both of San Francisco, wrested the National doubles championship from T. C. Bundy of Los Angeles and Maurice E. McLoughlin, of San Francisco in a thrilling five set match this afternoon by scores of 2-6, 6-3, 6-4, 3-6, 6-3.

COURT IS OPENED

G. T. TREADGOLD NOT PRESENT TO HEAR PLEADINGS

Banden Attorney Detained in South When \$50,000 Damage Suits First Comes up Today

FRIDAY DIVORCE DAY IN COURT

Court Reporter A. B. Lord returned last evening from Coquille and will return there Friday. He says Friday has been chosen for hearing divorce cases of which there is quite a large list this time.

(Special to The Times.) COQUILLE, Ore., Sept. 8.—Detained in San Francisco because of the sickness of his little daughter, G. T. Treadgold, city attorney of Banden, did not appear in the Circuit Court at Coquille this morning at nine o'clock to hear pleadings in his \$50,000 damage suit arising out of the Joe Coach cases of last April and September.

Attorneys for the defendants were present, asking that portions of the complaint be stricken out. Those were heard and disposed of by Judge Skipworth.

The case has caused much discussion and is being brought by Mr. Treadgold as the final outcome of the cases which for the last two terms of the Circuit Court have largely occupied the jury. Named as defendants are J. W. Mitchell and J. H. Carpenter, Portland detectives, Joe Couch, John Herron, B. L. Noller, F. J. Feeney, J. Murray, H. C. Freeman, A. R. O'Brien, George A. Gage and O. W. Briggs.

From all over the county attorneys flocked to Coquille yesterday for the opening day of the adjourned term. Judge Skipworth was on hand and is said to have created a very favorable impression with his business-like methods, putting the legal fraternity at work and with no waste of time.

Grand Jury Cases. It is said the grand jury yesterday was investigating the case of R. J. Long, held for cashing no-fund drafts, many of them on local men, and also the burning of the theater building at Coquille in early August, an \$8999 fire supposed to have been of incendiary origin.

Meyer is Called. Adolph Meyer was called to Coquille today by the grand jury and from this it is taken that a probe is being made of the Charlemagne Tower case of wife abduction.

Tomorrow Judge Skipworth expects to get the docket which opens next week. He will first try the case in which Judge Coke is disqualified and probably with this over, the latter will return here from Eugene where he is now filling Judge Skipworth's position.

BEER BOTTLES CAUSE DEALER MUCH TROUBLE

SALEM, Ore., Sept. 8.—Beer bottles used for purposes other than originally intended are causing F. G. Buchtel, deputy state sealer of weights and measures, considerable trouble. Because of the prohibition victory beer bottles are not in great demand by breweries and many are finding their way into drug stores and groceries various liquids being sold in them. Beer bottles, supposed to contain a quart, as a matter of fact only contain five-eighths of a quart. The result is that other liquids sold in them are short measure when a quart is desired.

GRAND DUKE IS TRANSFERRED

Czar Sends Nicholas to the Caucasus Front and Makes Him Viceroy There

POST UNIMPORTANT

Forces Small and Locality is Only of Minor Importance in the War

CHANGE IS IMPORTANT

Emperor Has Now Assumed Personal Command of All the Military and Naval Forces of Russian Empire—Much Comment

PETROGRAD, Sept. 8.—Grand Duke Nicholas has been transferred to the Caucasus by Emperor Nicholas. The Emperor took this action on assuming command of the military and naval forces of Russia, in transferring the Grand Duke he appointed him Viceroy of the Caucasus and Commander-in-Chief of the army in the southern front.

Nation Stirred. The transfer was made in connection with a general reorganization and is of such importance it has stirred the nation deeply. The Grand Duke replaces the famous Viceroy of the Caucasus, Count Von Vorontzof-Dashkoff.

The emperor addressed to the count a communication acknowledging the value of his labors and stating he "Yields to his request to be permitted to devote his energies to work for which his health is more equal." The Emperor attaches him to his personal staff.

The action of Emperor Nicholas in transferring his cousin, Grand Duke Nicholas to the Caucasian front is perhaps the most important change of this nature made by any of the belligerent nations. The post to which the Grand Duke is transferred is of relative unimportance. The Caucasian campaign presents only a minor aspect of the war. The forces engaged are not large.

WATCHING CZAR

INTEREST CENTERS ON WHERE HE WILL LOCATE

Much Speculation as to Which Point He Will Choose for His Headquarters

LONDON, Sept. 8.—With Emperor Nicholas in command of the Russian armies, interest centers in what sector along the front he will make his headquarters. At present Courland appears to be the critical section line, but the Germans have not made much progress.

Weather conditions, which in past years proved an efficient ally of the Russians are again intervening on their side. The rivers are swollen by floods and promise to form an impassable barrier.

English warships along the Belgian coast have joined the chorus of artillery fire on the western front.

SERBIANS ACTIVE

USE ARTILLERY TO REPULSE THE AUSTRIAN FORCES

Prevent Attempt to Fortify the Left Bank of Danube River

MISH, Sept. 8.—An official statement says: "The Serbian artillery on Sept. 3 and 4 actively opposed the efforts of the Austrians to fortify the left bank of the Danube."

FOUR ARE KILLED

YREKA, Cal., Sept. 8.—The Oregon express at Grenada Station struck an auto in which three men and two women were riding. Those killed were A. Y. Anderson, collector of customs at Astoria, H. Anderson, his brother, and Mr. and Mrs. I. Anderson, father and mother of the two first named.

TORPEDED ARABIC IN SELF DEFENSE

BERLIN, Sept. 8.—The commander of the German submarine, which has returned to its base, has reported to the Admiralty that he torpedoed the liner Arabic in the belief that the Arabic's action indicated that she was about to attack the submarine, and he fired in self defense.

FRENCH SHIP SUNK

BIG STEAMER SENT TO BOTTOM BY A TORPEDO

The Guatemala Attacked by German Submarine Fifty Miles off Belle Island—Crew Escape

PARIS, Sept. 8.—The French steamship Guatemala, 5913 tons gross, was torpedoed and sunk 50 miles off Belle Island. The crew escaped in two boats. The men were picked up by the British steamer and taken into Nazaire.

TWO MORE LOST

Russian and British Boats Are Torpedoed

LONDON, Sept. 8.—The Russian steamer Rhea, 1145 tons gross, was sunk. The crew was saved.

A message from Lt. Rochelle says the British steamer Garony was fired upon and sunk by a German submarine last night. The crew was saved.

CITY IS CAPTURED

GERMANS TAKE WOLKOWYSK AFTER BATTLE

Official Announcement is Made Today at Army Headquarters at German Capital

BERLIN, Sept. 8.—The German forces that have been engaged in battle with the Russians north of the Bielowicz forest captured the city of Wolkowysk, the army headquarters announced today.

KING NOT COMING

ALFONSO OF SPAIN ABANDONS AMERICAN TRIP

Say There Will Be Much to Do in Europe When War is Over

PARIS, Sept. 8.—King Alfonso of Spain has abandoned his plan for a visit to America because of the war, he told Senor Ceveiller, the Argentine Journalist. "It was my pet dream to visit America, but I shall not be able to go now for years," he said. "When the war is over the work here will be enormous." He declared when the war is over, instead of disarmament, the nations would arm more than ever.

OFFICERS CLASH

Story of Capt. Reed and Fred Ejaron Having Words

There is reported to have been a clash between Capt. John Reed, who resigned as captain of the dredge Michle and Fred J. Ejaron, the first officer last Sunday on the Empire dock when Capt. Reed was about to leave for the north.

According to the story the two men had words and blamed each other for "knocking" in the Portland government engineer's office.

Times want ads bring results.

AIR ATTACK ON ENGLISH COAST

Three German Zeppelins Make Raid Last Night and Demolish 15 Residences

REPORT TEN KILLED

Fifty-Eight Others Wounded and Victims Include Many Women and Children

SEVERAL FIRES START

Aeroplanes Go up But Are Unable to Locate the Zeppelins Which Make Their Escape Safely After Damage Has Been Done

LONDON, Sept. 8.—Ten persons were killed and 48 wounded in a German air raid on the east coast of England last night.

Three Zeppelins. There were three Zeppelins in the raid. Aeroplanes went up but were unable to locate the Zeppelins. Fifteen dwellings were demolished. Several fires were caused, but were promptly extinguished.

Dead and Injured. The killed included two men, three women and five children. The wounded seriously were four men, seven women and five children. Wounded slightly were nine men, five women and nine children. Missing, one man and two women.

WILL REORGANIZE

CHANGES TO BE MADE AT U. S. NAVAL ACADEMY

Is Said to Be Result of Recent Investigation of Conditions at Institution

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 8.—Secretary Daniels announced a general re-organization of the forces of the naval academy at Annapolis. The heads of nearly all the departments were ordered detached for duty elsewhere, the changes to be effective September 29. The re-organization is the result of a recent investigation of the academy.

MAKE RECORD TRIP

A. T. HAINES MAKES GOOD TIME FROM EXPOSITION

Comes by Way of Coos Bay Wagon Road and Detained by a Blast

A. T. Haines and his son George made a record trip from San Francisco to Coos Bay in their automobile. They left San Francisco at 7:45 p. m. Sunday and arrived in Marshfield at 5 p. m. Tuesday.

Mr. Haines made the trip over the interior route and came from Roseburg over the Coos Bay wagon road. He was detained some there on account of a blast where some road work was being done. Fred Baker was in charge and when Mr. Haines made it known that he was attempting to make a record, Mr. Baker arranged so that he could get through without delay.

GOLD IS DEPOSITED

NOT SO MUCH FROM ENGLAND AS WAS REPORTED

Total Amount Put in Sub-Treasury is Less Than Twenty Millions Dollars

NEW YORK, Sept. 8.—Great Britain's third shipment of gold to the United States, placed today in the sub treasury here, amounted to \$19,467,000 and not approximately \$66,000,000 as was reported yesterday from Maine. American securities accompanying the gold are reported to be worth approximately \$30,000,000.

Calling cards printed at The Times office.

AIRSHIPS HEADED FOR ENGLISH COAST

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 8.—Three airships, coming from the East, passed over Dordrecht in South Holland this morning toward the English coast. Another airship, going east, passed over a suburb of Amsterdam.

SITE IS SECURED

GOVERNMENT WIRELESS FOR COOS BAY IS ASSURED

Five Acres on Coal Bank Inlet Bought for \$800—Naval Men Satisfied and Wire Department

Coos Bay was practically assured the coming of a \$20,000 government wireless station last evening when word was received from the Reynolds Development Company that a five-acre tract on Coal Bank Inlet, belonging to them, will be sold for \$800. Both Lieutenant E. J. Blankenship and George E. Hanson, here in behalf of the government, announced their satisfaction with the site and immediately wired the particulars to Mare Island.

With the word of last evening was brought to a close strenuous work of the last few days on the part of the members of the Chamber of Commerce Radio committee. Uncasingly they have been at work and there has hardly been a minute since the wireless men arrived on the Bay Saturday evening that they have not been busy.

No less than five sites were trotted out for inspection and each one discarded for something each time more desirable than the other. The tract finally obtained is situated near the head of Coal Bank Inlet and close to the Libby road.

In approximately two weeks the men will be on the ground from Mare Island ready to commence construction, believes Lieutenant Blankenship. He says the station may be complete and ready for service by early in December.

The grounds will be filled in and made a place of beauty, an addition to the attractions already available on Coos Bay for visitors. This, with the new Life Guard Station at Charleston Bay and the Cape Arago light house, make three government stations on the bay.

There will be four operators and a chief at this wireless station, and there will be a 24-hour service. The new system of sending and receiving messages is now absolutely silent and residents close to the station will in no way be bothered.

R. M. Jennings, chairman of the committee, said last evening that the money can easily be raised through the Chamber, the main difficulty having been to secure a desirable site.

There is a plan on foot whereby the banks of the city will pay in a lump sum their monthly subscriptions to the Chamber of Commerce and in this way, to a great extent, take care of the immediate payments on the tract. Nothing definite has been announced as yet regarding this.

VALUABLE PROPERTY. The property selected for the site is valued at \$500 per acre and property near it has already been sold for \$500 and \$750 per acre. Much favorable comment has been made on the public spirited action of the Reynolds Development Co. and its enterprising manager for making such generous concessions to secure this government station. The action of the Reynolds company is praiseworthy and evidences their desire to do more than their full share in community development work.

Will Meet Today. A meeting of the executive committee of the Chamber of Commerce was called for 4 p. m. today to consider the payment in cash of \$800 for the five-acre site. The members say the money will be raised if they have to give their personal notes for the amount.

ALARM TURNED IN. A brush fire on the oldtown road at North Bend made quite a blaze Monday night and someone turned in the fire alarm. There was no damage done to any property.

PRESIDENT IS CALLER TODAY

First Time Since McKinley's Administration for Chief Executive to Visit Secretary

IS NOT ANNOUNCED

Confers With Lansing Regarding Case of Austrian Ambassador

MESSAGES WERE TAKEN

British Authorities Secure Documents Showing Plan to Interfere With the Manufacture of Munition for the Allies Here

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 8.—President Wilson went to the State Department today and conferred with Secretary Lansing regarding the case of Austrian Ambassador Dumba. As far as the officials could recall, the only precedent for the President going to call on the Secretary of State was recorded when McKinley went to call on Secretary Hay.

After spending 15 minutes with Secretary Lansing, the President started back to the White House. "The state is not trembling," the President assured the reporters. "I just brought over some papers of a routine nature which ordinarily I would have sent over. There is nothing new at all."

Call Not Arranged. The President's call was not arranged in advance. He passed out of the executive offices through a little-used entrance, crossed the avenue which separates the White House grounds from the State, War and Navy buildings, and walked up the main stairway unattended, while dozens of surprised tourists and employes stopped to look.

Is Unannounced. The President continued on up the inner stairways and into one of the long corridors leading to Secretary Lansing's private office where he passed a messenger at the door and entered unannounced. Mrs. Lansing was calling on her husband and the Secretary was at his desk, with his coat removed, as is his custom, ready to begin the day's work.

The men of the secret service guard piled out of the White House and into the State Department building through all the entrances.

Hears Ambassador. Late yesterday Ambassador Dumba conferred with Lansing about the correspondence taken from an American correspondent by the British secret service men, which disclosed that the Austrian Ambassador was concerned with a project to interfere with the operations of American munition plants.

Explains Position. The Ambassador explained that his government instructed him to give the widest publicity to a decree making it a criminal offense for an Austro-Hungarian to be concerned in the manufacture of war munitions for the Allies.

BANKERS' MEETING

GATHER AT SEATTLE IN THEIR ANNUAL CONFERENCE

President of Association Says That Finances Will Improve as The War Progresses

SEATTLE, Sept. 8.—The annual convention of the American Bankers' Association began here this morning. Governor Lister and Mayor Gill delivered the addresses of welcome.

"We have reason to believe that our financial position will strengthen steadily as the war progresses and that our devoted President will be successful in preserving neutrality," said President William A. Law in his annual address.

FLOUR SALE

On Saturday, September 11 will sell Imperial Flour, \$1.40 cash. Every sack guaranteed. HAINES.