

DUKE'S DEATH MAY PRECIPITATE WAR OVER TINY REALM

Luxemburg, Smallest Principality in World, Occupies a Strategic Point in Reference to Franco-German Frontier.

By Karl H. von Wiegand.
Luxemburg, Jan. 20.—With "war clouds" persistently looming up for a time and then disappearing, attention has been drawn to Luxemburg, "the keystone of the Franco-German frontier," by the imminence of the death of Wilhelm, grand duke of Luxemburg.

Although Luxemburg is the "smallest independent principality" in the world, it holds a position quite out of proportion to its size. Chief interest in this grand duchy lies in the fact that it is the smallest principality in the world whose neutrality is guaranteed by the powers; that it is ruled by a woman and that it has repeatedly been a "pawn" in the international chess game of politics and is about to become a prize again.

Luxemburg is less than 40 miles square, but has a population of more than 250,000, and has extensive manufacturing interests. Politically, its value lies in its strategic position on the frontier.

Death Long Expected.
Grand Duke Wilhelm has been "dying" for three years. He has six daughters. In 1908, expecting his demise almost any time, the council of 15 and chamber of deputies, composed of 48 members, declared the grand duke's wife, the Grand Duchess Maria, an infant of Spain, regent until Grand Duchess Maria Adelhild, the oldest daughter, becomes of age in June.

The hand and heart of Grand Duchess Maria Adelhild and the grand duchy of Luxemburg is the "prize" upon which France, Germany, Belgium and even England have their eyes. For a time Luxemburg was ruled by Belgium, then Holland had it, later Prussia controlled it, and now it's time for another round. Whom will the pretty young grand duchess choose to help her reign over 40 miles square of territory?

No great princeling aspires to play second fiddle in so small a principality and yet Germany, France, Belgium, Holland and England are said to be doing "politics" and each hoping to control the policy of the little grand duchy through a matrimonial alliance.

Belgium, Holland, Germany and France quarreled over the little grand duchy in 1869 almost to the point of war, and again in 1872 immediately after the German-French war, Germany finally consented to withdraw her garrison and the fortress in Luxemburg, capital of the grand duchy, which next to Gibraltar was said to be the strongest in Europe, was dismantled. In order that there might not be constant intrigues for political control of so important a military key, it was decided that the fort must be destroyed and the grand duchy was declared to be "neutral" ground and "independent."

Whether this "neutrality" would be regarded in a war between France, Germany and England, the powers that guarantee it, is doubtful. It probably would be a race for possession of the little strip of ground. It has been repeatedly stated by the French that if Luxemburg should by any manner of means become a member of the German federation of states, it would be necessary for France to change the entire chain of fortifications on the frontier.

Old Duke Is Low.
Grand Duke Wilhelm is again reported to be very low and his death may come at any time. His wife has for three years ruled the grand duchy and maintained quite a pretentious court, at the same time inflicting her daughter, Maria Adelhild, into the mysteries of government.

Luxemburg has the smallest "army" in Europe. It is composed of 140 volunteers, of which 35 are musicians and two officers. There is also a police force of 150 men. It costs the Luxemburgers a little over \$100,000 a year for military and police purposes.

The grand duchy owns its own telegraph, telephone and railroad lines and even the prisons are made to earn money, the prisoners being employed in work which brings some returns to the state, amounting last year to about \$43,000. There is not a more industrious little corner in central Europe than the little grand duchy of Luxemburg.

Building at Brownsville.
(Special to The Journal.)
Brownsville, Or., Jan. 20.—Building at Brownsville is progressing rapidly.

Florida Railroad Over the Sea Is Completed at Great Cost

New Flagler Line From Miami, Florida, to Key West to Be Opened Monday.

(By the International News Service.)
Miami, Fla., Jan. 20.—The completion of one of the greatest engineering feats of the present age will be celebrated Monday, when the first great "railroad over the sea," the Key West extension of the Florida East Coast railway is formally opened. By using the Florida Keys as stepping stones, this steel highway runs over 156 miles of salt water from a point a few miles south of Miami to the island city of Key West.

A special train bearing American and foreign dignitaries will be sent over the remarkable construction Monday as the feature of the exercises formally commemorating the putting into service of the extension. Many of the foreign embassies and legations have sent representatives to take part in the celebration, at the invitation of President Taft, among them Italy, Mexico, Portugal, Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Guatemala, Salvador and Uruguay.

The United States armored cruisers Washington and North Carolina and the scout cruisers Salem and Birmingham representing the United States navy, and the Portuguese cruiser Aramada arrive at Key West today, prepared to participate in the celebration.

The completion of the work on the extension marks an epoch in railroad engineering as important as will be the opening of the Panama canal in the history of shipping. It is the same thing reversed. In the one case ships are made to climb mountains, in the other railway trains are made to run over the sea.

In construction this feat is considered the greatest accomplishment of its kind in the world. The entire line to Key West extends a distance of 156 miles, nearly half of which is over open water. Forty-two keys, or islands, are crossed in this stretch.

Consummation of it marks the realization of a dream of Henry M. Flagler, Standard Oil magnate, and one of the foremost figures in the financial life of the nation. He has had the idea constantly in mind ever since the Spanish-American war excitement, when he conceived the proposition of making traffic communication between the United States and Cuba easier and more practical. The project will shorten the time from Florida mainland to Cuba by almost 20 hours.

The actual work was begun in 1905. It was then that the blue prints called for by Mr. Flagler were submitted to him by engineers. The president of the road glanced at them, and turning to J. R. Parrott, vice president and general manager of his railway, and his right hand man in all his Florida undertakings, said:

"All I want to know is whether the road can be built."
"Yes, it can," replied Mr. Parrott.
"Then go ahead and build it," Mr. Flagler directed.

The engineers' estimates were that the feat would cost \$15,000,000. It has cost much more than that, and the officials of the road several times were obliged to negotiate loans of millions in order to insure its completion.

Bert Smith has started improving his 11 acre tract, Ben L. Harrison is building a modern home on "the heights," Frank Wolgast, W. A. Bridges and Charles Holloway will build modern homes in South Brownsville.

Henzie to the Asylum.
(Special to The Journal.)
The Dalles, Jan. 20.—William Henzie, recently discharged from the asylum for the insane at Salem, will be returned to the asylum. Henzie was first committed three months ago. He is an old resident of The Dalles, having lived here about 30 years.

Wahkiacus Heights Lassies and Their Guardian
Little Misses Tiffany, ages 5 and 3, and "Shep," their Scotch Collie. The girls came recently with their parents from Minnesota to make their home on Wahkiacus Heights, western Klickitat county, Washington.



Two views of the great trans-ocean railway from Miami, Florida, to Key West, which will be formally put in service on Monday, and the originator of the epochal project, Henry M. Flagler. The upper picture shows a view along the tracks of the Long Key viaduct, which is nearly seven miles from end to end. The lower photograph gives a good idea of the manner of its construction. It has 186 arches, and is expected to stand as a marvel to engineers in the years to come. The entire length of the over-sea road is 156 miles.

Since work was begun in 1905, the dirt has been flying ceaselessly. Immense pile drivers have been sinking foundations, huge dredges have been sucking up sand from the bottom of the sea to construct a roadbed, and an army of between 3000 and 4000 men has been pushing its way steadily southward from Miami out over the waves and tiny islands toward Key West.

The difficulties were many, and the problems to be solved unusual. It was necessary to assemble steamboats, tugs, lighters, hundreds of barges, launches, floating derricks, pumps, pile drivers and repair shops, for since this was to be a railroad at sea, sea craft had to be utilized in its construction. Florida Keys traversed by the line are mostly uninhabited, though some of them are high and dry at all seasons of the year.

Cost \$150,000 Per Mile.
A wide swath had to be cut through many of the islands, while others had to be laboriously built up from below the sea level. Much of the land crossed consisted of almost impenetrable swamps. Although a single track road, the longest of construction exceeded \$150,000 per mile, a world's record.

One of the most interesting parts of the work is the precautions taken to safeguard the exposed viaducts against the sea. The viaducts are built of reinforced concrete, resting some on deep piling and some on solid rock. It was found after careful survey that the maximum height of waves throughout these waters is 25 feet. Accordingly the railroad is throughout at a level of more than 30 feet above high water. The highest waves known to this coast, therefore, could not break over the top of the viaduct.

The longest of the viaducts over the open sea, that at Long Key, is nearly seven miles from end to end. It has 186 arches. Some idea of the proportions of the undertaking may be gained from the statement that this one viaduct used

LEHIGH VALLEY GETS MUCH TRADE NOTICE
(United Press Leased Wire.)
New York, Jan. 20.—Financial America Monday will say:

Much of the interest in the stock market last week was naturally attached to Lehigh Valley. Newspaper stories about the situation created by the stock selling ex-subscription rights, while highly exaggerated, had an influence in making this incident seem more important than it really was and without doubt induced prominent stock holding interests to take steps to prevent any disturbance in market conditions that might have resulted from any sharp rise in the price of Lehigh Valley stock.

Other coal stocks were naturally influenced by the action in Lehigh Valley in practically dividing the dividend in the coal agency stock.

Jersey Central advanced from \$14 to 24 and as the control of the stock is held by the Reading company, this sharp upturn naturally exerted a bullish influence on Reading, which supplied a reason for vigorous buying of that stock and forced its price up over seven points.

Meeting loans have added materially to the supply of idle funds, and will add largely to the amount of capital seeking investment.

PENDLETON POULTRY SHOW OPEN MONDAY
(Special to The Journal.)
Pendleton, Or., Jan. 20.—With splendid prospects the third annual show of the Umatilla-Morrow County Poultry association will open Monday morning. Already many birds have been received and placed in the Armory where the exhibition is to be held. The show will continue through the week.

Because of financial assistance given the association this year by the county court, the show will assume larger proportions than its predecessors and it is expected that 500 birds will be entered. Exhibitors from all over the northwest have signified their intention of sending pens here.

LIGHTHOUSE VIGIL ENFORCES EXILE ON MAN AND WIFE

Uncle Sam Has Helper on Half Mile Square Island in Lake Erie; Place Not Reached by News.

Port Clinton, Ohio, Jan. 20.—After the closing of navigation Lightkeeper Chauncey Fitzmorris and wife, who are stationed on West Sister, the most isolated of all islands in the Lake Erie district, are cut off from the outside world as far as human interests are concerned. There are no telephones to the island, as there is no way to communicate with the mainland, the nearest shore being Locust point, nine miles distant. There will be no mail or papers for them until the spring season opens.

Fitzmorris made his last trip to this port for supplies a few days before Thanksgiving. The weather then became bad and he was obliged to spend his holiday there, while his wife ate her Thanksgiving dinner alone on the island. Mrs. Fitzmorris acts as deputy during the absence of the lightkeeper, who leaves the island only on official missions.

West Sister island is 8 miles from Port Clinton and 25 miles from Toledo, the nearest ports where food supplies are to be had. The island is about half a mile wide and the same in length, containing about 85 acres, part of which is covered with forest. These oak and elm trees are being preserved by the government.

Until the last year or two much gardening was done on the island, but the rabbits now are so numerous they destroy growing vegetables. The rabbits, which are of the Belgian hare species, were imported a few years ago. There were but two pairs, and now there are over 200. Many are slaughtered annually by the hunters invited to the island by the keeper. Many quail and wild duck are also to be found in this vicinity. Many head of cattle are raised for market by the keeper, who also is a poultry raiser, having over 200 chickens, besides many turkeys.

Island Popular in Summer.
The island in summer is a favorite spot for a Sunday's outing, many boats from Toledo, Detroit and Cleveland bringing excursionists to the lightkeeper's abode. The government supply boats also make regular trips to the island. A short time ago a message telling of the death of the father of Fitzmorris came to this city. There was no way to deliver the message from here except by a special boat. It was necessary to make arrangements for the boat at Port Rowan, Canada, where the message was sent from. By the time arrangements for the boat could be made it was too late to get service for that day. Word then was sent to Oak Harbor by mail, and this was forwarded by rural service to Locust Point, where fishermen live who occasionally visit West Sister island during the fishing season. It was through this means that the death message finally was delivered.

The West Sister light was built in 1847 and rebuilt in 1868, and since has

undergone some changes. It is a fixed white light which can be seen 15 miles on a clear night, marking some of the most dangerous reefs in the lakes. Loaded boats generally take the north passage of the island, where it is much safer traveling. Boats that are sailing light use the shorter south passage.

This island is the only one on which there are but two inhabitants during the winter months. The range lights at Toledo are deserted after December 15, when the season closes. All other lightkeepers are so located as to be more fortunate in their social surroundings.

Fitzmorris, who is 38, has been in the employ of Uncle Sam 24 years, having had charge of the Buffalo light previous to his coming here two years ago.

The island mail received at the Port Clinton office is held until next spring, in case of sickness Mr. and Mrs. Fitzmorris must be their own doctors. The only possible way for either of them leaving the island after the freezing of the lake would be by crossing the ice and taking great chances.

NEW COMPANY WILL TAKE STEEL PLANT
(Special to The Journal.)
Seattle, Wash., Jan. 20.—That the Metropolitan Trust company of New York will finance a new company to take over the holdings of the Western Steel corporation was practically assured yesterday when the creditors of the bankrupt corporation passed a resolution allowing the trust company to purchase the amount of its lien on the \$2,000,000 bond issue in bidding in the assets of bankrupt.

The creditors will receive 70 per cent of their claims in preferred stock and 30 per cent in common. The new company will be bonded at \$5,000,000. Preferred stock to the amount of \$3,000,000 and common stock to the amount of \$2,000,000 will be issued.

LEAVES BABY SECURITY FOR DEBT OF 93 CENTS
South Bend, Ind., Jan. 20.—That he had left his 2-year-old baby with Mrs. Rose Sheerer to secure an account of 93 cents, was the statement of John

Baker Will Vote Again on Commission

Urban to Judge in the City Court Here, Mrs. Sheerer, it was said, accepted the child, but later changed her mind. Her action enraged Urban, who drew a butcher knife and attacked her.

Baker, Or., Jan. 20.—The only city in Oregon with a commission form of government will on April 25 vote on the question of returning to old council form. The system of commission government has in the minds of a majority of citizens proven a success in the year

and two months it has been in force, but some dissatisfaction, largely on the part of the liquor interests, because of higher license than under the old council system, resulted in the circulation of a petition asking the city officials to call the special election.

Urban went into the store to buy 2 cents worth of yeast, according to his story, and gave the woman a dollar bill. Mrs. Sheerer refused to give back any change, saying Urban owed her 93 cents and she would keep the 5 cents for interest. When arrested Urban had given the woman from the store.

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