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FIRE AND BOMB PLOTS INQUIRED INTO BY NATION

Austrian Consul General Von Nuber at New York Made Persona Non Grata by the State Department Evidence

SCHEMES TO EMBARRASS GOVERNMENT CHARGED

Gompers Reveals an Offer of \$200,000 Made Federation for Strike.

Washington, Nov. 12.—(U. P.)—Evidence obtained by the state department concerning the activities of Austrian Consul General Von Nuber at New York as leader in alleged anti-American plottings has made him persona non grata with the administration.

The decision as to what will be done with him lies with Secretary of State Lansing.

These facts developed today in the wake of disclosures by former Austrian Consul General of San Francisco that a spy system was fostered in this country by Nuber and German Ambassador von Bernstorff, and an announcement that the department of justice is investigating recent suspicious bomb explosions and fires in American munitions plants.

Two Attitudes Possible.

If Lansing takes the step he is reported to believe warranted by the evidence, he will revoke Von Nuber's exequaturs and terminate his official status.

Otherwise, if the secretary concludes that larger diplomatic matters with Austria would be complicated by such a step, he will probably let the matter rest, trusting that the department of justice will circumvent future plottings, alleged against Nuber.

Lansing's information is that Von Nuber has been intimately associated with a half dozen schemes to embarrass this government, ranging from passport frauds to tying up export of munitions.

\$200,000 Offered for a Strike.

President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor disclosed to the administration that a foreign agent approached a "high federation official" with an offer of \$200,000 to cause a general strike of longshoremen.

Following the statement of the Gompers disclosures and other corroborative incidents, the government investigation has been redoubled.

Federal Attorney Marshall of New York, in charge of the Robert Fawcett plot prosecutions in New York, arrived here today and conferred with Assistant Attorney General Warren over the situation.

Attorney Gregory sought to quiz Gompers, but the Providence Journal printed his story, informed Gregory that the former Austrian diplomat will not be "available" for several days.

Sweeping investigations of bomb explosions and munition plant fires in various parts of the country are in progress at the direction of the department of justice, the White House announced.

Attorney General Gregory, personally directing the inquiry, will report soon to the president regarding his progress.

Many persons are under surveillance and it has been found necessary to increase the investigating force.

The frequency of bomb explosions on ships and in big munition plants will be thoroughly looked into.

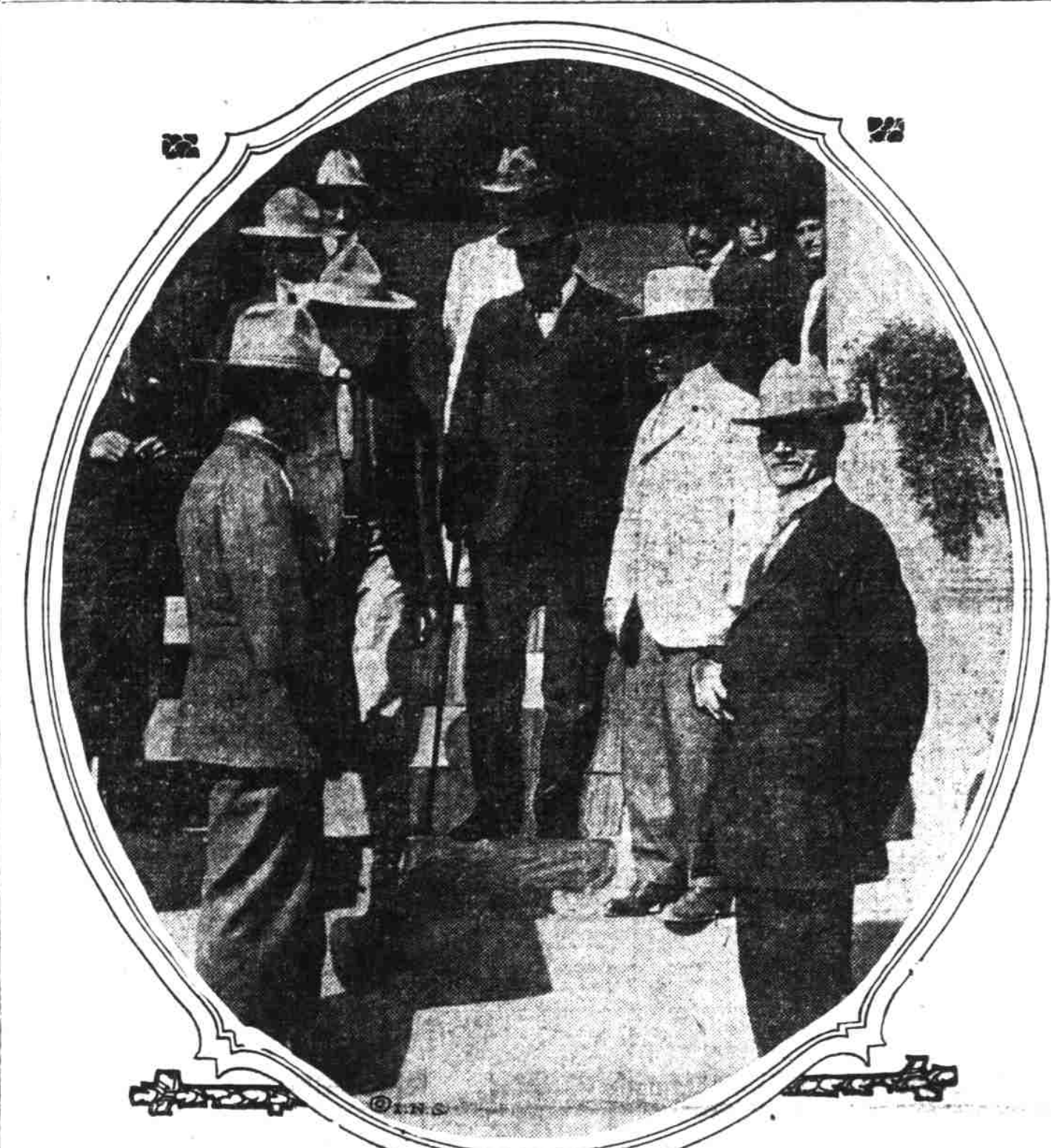
Powder Mill Blows Up.

Winthrop, Del., Nov. 12.—(U. P.)—Twelve hours after it became known that the mill had secured an order for 72,000 pounds of powder for the allies, the mill of the Dupont Powder company at Hagley, near here, was blown up today. The damage was done by a bomb.

Two Island Groups Annexed by Britain

Missionary Killed, Turks Suspected

PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN JUST AFTER THE CONFERENCE of John Lind, former personal representative of President Wilson in Mexico, and Consul John E. Silliman with General Carranza at Piedras Negras, Mexico, November 4, at which Lind conveyed wishes of success for the Carranza administration, shows—left to right: General Obregon, John Roberts, a border correspondent; Consul John E. Silliman, General Augila and John Lind.



IRRIGATION OF ALL OF LAPINE BASIN, PLAN OF NEW INVESTORS

Pringle Falls Water & Power Company Is Taken Over by Eastern Capitalists.

Lapine, Or., Nov. 12.—The Pringle Falls Water & Power Co., Lapine, in charge of the Lapine Falls, has just been sold to a syndicate of eastern capitalists headed by Thomas Brothers of Nebraska. E. W. Tomes, one of the brothers, is a banker here.

The consideration is said to have been \$500,000.

The plans of the new company as announced this morning are to supply power for the irrigation of the entire Lapine basin and Eden Coulee, Silver Lake and Fort Rock valleys. Power and light for Lapine will also be among the first steps in development.

The power plant, which is practically finished, will be immediately equipped, a sawmill with a daily capacity of 150,000 feet, will be erected in the spring.

The big clay deposit at the falls, which are also included in the deal, will be opened at once, and associated capitalists will operate a vitrified brick plant and pottery at the falls as soon as the electric line is completed. This body of clay ranks second to none in the west. The work of the traction line will be resumed as soon as weather permits, unless other railroad facilities are obtained.

The company was formerly owned by Messrs. W. H. H. Dufur, Orin Judd, George H. Zimmerman, C. W. Riddell.

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Federal Reserve Statement

San Francisco, Nov. 12.—(U. P.)—Statement of condition of the Federal Reserve bank of San Francisco at the close of business November 12.	
RESOURCES	
Gold coin and gold certificates	\$5,577,000
U. S. vaults	884,000
Bank acceptances	587,000
U. S. government bonds	1,000,000
U. S. Treasury notes	1,000,000
U. S. Federal Reserve notes	1,000,000
U. S. Federal Reserve notes held	1,000,000
All other resources	2,414,000
Total resources	\$17,972,000
LIABILITIES	
Capital paid	\$3,941,000
Deposits, net	14,032,000
Total liabilities	\$17,972,000
MEMORANDUM	
Federal Reserve notes received from Federal Reserve agent	\$4,370,000
Federal Reserve notes in hands of bank	1,000,000
Net federal reserve notes outstanding	\$2,790,000
Gold deposited with Federal Reserve agent to retire federal reserve notes	4,370,000
Net asset account Federal Reserve notes	\$1,000,000

COMPTROLLER AFTER BANKS THAT CHARGE UNLAWFUL INTEREST

Declares Practice Makes Anarchists Faster Than Anything Else.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 12.—(U. P.)—John Skelton Williams, comptroller of the currency, is preparing for active warfare on usurious interest charges by national banks, and investigations under way as to the enormous tribute exacted by some of the banks are expected to lead to recommendations for drastic legislation at the coming session of congress.

Mr. Williams is not yet prepared to give out his plans, but one of the ideas known to be under consideration is that of a procedure whereby the attorney general may, upon request of the comptroller, take action to penalize any bank found to be violating the laws against usury.

Bank Charge Big Interest.

The basis for this is a provision in the national bank act allowing banks under government charter to collect interest at the rate allowed by the laws of the state, territory or district.

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Wrecks on Irish Sea Follow Big Storm

Fewer at Least 40 Lives Lost in Dashing Waters—Fishing Smacks Dragged to Pieces—Worst in 20 Years.

London, Nov. 13.—(U. P.)—Raging furiously for more than 24 hours, the worst storm on the Irish sea in 20 years today showed signs of lessening.

Many fishing smacks were wrecked, and it is feared that not less than 40 fishermen lost their lives. Cables were interrupted and press messages yesterday and today were difficult to get through.

French Deputies Pass New Loan Bill

Paris, Nov. 12.—(U. P.)—A bill enabling the government to contract a five per cent loan was unanimously passed by the chamber of deputies today.

Afterwards minister of finance Ribot said:

21 BELIEVED TO HAVE PERISHED WHEN SHIP SUNK BY AUSTRIANS

Sinking of the Italian Liner Firenze Indicates Raid Being Made by Steamers.

Rome, Nov. 12.—(U. P.)—The Italian liner Firenze was torpedoed by an Austrian submarine November 9, according to an announcement here today.

Fifteen members of the crew and six passengers are missing and are believed to have perished.

The Firenze was a twin screw steel vessel, registering 3560 tons. She was built in 1912 and usually carried about 190 passengers and a crew of 62.

The sinking of the Firenze indicates that at least two submarines are engaged in the work of sinking passenger-carrying ships. The submarine responsible for the sinking of the Ancona could not have reached the route of the Firenze in time to have accomplished her destruction.

The Firenze carried 23 passengers and a crew of 111 men. Twenty-seven passengers and 96 members of the crew were rescued.

It is reported that the captain was given ten minutes to get the passengers and sailors into the lifeboats and that the liner was torpedoed promptly at the expiration of that time.

Would Arm Interned Ships.

Genoa, Nov. 12.—(U. P.)—As a result of the Ancona disaster the public is calling upon the government to retaliate by arming the numerous German steamers interned in Italy's naval ports, including the Transatlantic liners Moltke, Prinz Regent, Luitpold, Koenig Albert and the transport Hermsdorf, which could be advantageously used in the Mediterranean.

Commercial interests expect the government to take prompt steps to check the Mediterranean submarine campaign as efficiently as the British navy checked that in the Atlantic.

It is doubtful whether the submarine which sank the Ancona really was an Austrian since Austria does not possess such large submarines nor a sufficient number to spare any from the Adriatic warfare. It is suggested that the submarine was constructed by Germany for Austria and was journeying toward the Adriatic.

Cancel Liners' Sailings.

New York, Nov. 12.—(U. P.)—Because of the sinking of the liner Ancona in the Mediterranean, the sailings of the Italian liners America and Palermo from New York have been cancelled. It was officially announced here today. The America was scheduled to sail December 7 and the Palermo December 12. Both vessels are now in Italy.

Tried to Carry Dynamite With Him Upon Liner

Man Giving Name of Abraham Cummings Attempts to Board St. Louis With Dynamite.

New York, Nov. 12.—(U. P.)—Just before the American liner St. Louis sailed for Liverpool today, a man giving the name of Abraham Cummings was arrested while attempting to board the vessel carrying a suitcase containing two big sticks of dynamite.

The man, who is about 40 years old, stated that he formerly was a coal miner in Pittsburgh.

Following his arrest Cummings stoutly maintained that he had no intention of dynamiting the liner.

"I am a coal miner," Cummings declared, "and was on my way home to Ferrisville, in Durham county, to enlist. I came to the United States in 1911 and went directly to Pittsburgh, where I obtained work as a coal miner. Later I went to the coal mines at Kelsyth, West Virginia."

"I got the dynamite from John Daking. We had been receiving rotten wages and I thought the dynamite might help to make up my back pay. I came to New York from Pittsburgh and had forgotten all about having the dynamite in my bag."

"Thursday I bought steamer passage to England on the St. Louis for \$10."

PRINCETON, PICKED TO WIN, LOSES FOOTBALL GAME TO YALE, 13-7

Tom Shevlin's Training and Guernsey's Great Work With Toe Help to Success.

By George R. Holmes.

New Haven, Conn., Nov. 12.—(U. P.)—Under dogs from the start of the season, maligned by the sporting experts and not conceded an outside chance to win a week ago, the Yale Bulldogs "came through" this afternoon and battered Princeton to victory over Princeton by a score of 13 to 7.

The Blue victory was a personal triumph for Tom Shevlin and Guernsey, the big fullback with the educated toe. Taking hold of the team at the last moment after other coaches apparently had failed to bring order out of chaos, Guernsey and Shevlin taught the team sufficient football to defeat the Tigers at their own game.

Guernsey Is Hero.

To Guernsey went the individual laurels of the game. The fullback who made the team two years ago but wasn't considered good enough for a place last year, dropped two beautiful touchdowns and kicked another goal after a touchdown.

One of Guernsey's efforts traveled a distance of 60 yards, the best kick of the season in "the league." Football was settled toward the bar as the thousands in the great bowl held their breaths. It ticked the bar apparently for an instant, and then dropped on the other side.

Forward Passes Help.

Pandemonium broke loose from the Yale adherents.

Only a few minutes later Guernsey made another shot true between the posts from an easier position. Yale was then six points to the good.

Goaled to a frenzy, Princeton responded to the forward passes netted by Guernsey. Guernsey and Shevlin were sent through the line and around the ends for more yardage.

Do the Yale fullbacks sweep the black and gold. Under their own goal posts Yale held doggedly.

Guernsey's Work Tells.

Three times Guernsey and Driggs were buried at the line. Each time the ball was stopped within inches of the chalk line.

Driggs was called upon for the final effort. He made good. Princeton then took their turn at vocal insanity. Princeton held but by no means got the goal. Princeton was ahead, 6 to 7.

Yale's unbeatable spirit, aided by Dame Fortune, again turned the tide for the blue when one of Guernsey's passes got away from the Princeton backfield and was recovered by Guernsey across for another score. Guernsey added the goal.

Tigers' Last Gasp.

Fourth period. In the closing minutes of the game Princeton made a game effort to snatch victory from defeat. Her backs fought the ball to within striking distance of the goal, but Guernsey fumbled and Yale recovered the ball. It was the Tigers' last gasp. The final whistle sounded soon after Yale had kicked out of danger.

FOOTBALL RESULTS

At Cambridge—Harvard 16, Brown 7.
At Philadelphia—Michigan 6, Pennsylvania 0.
At Urbana—Illinois 17, Wisconsin 3.
At Annapolis—Navy 38, Colby 14.
At Easton, Pa.—Penn State 23, Lafayette 9.
At Ithaca—Cornell 40, Washington and Lee 21.
At Hanover—Dartmouth 27, Bates 6.
At Minneapolis—Chicago 7, Minnesota 26.
At Evanston—Northwestern 6, Indiana 0.
At Columbus—Ohio 25, Oberlin 0.

WEIRD DREAM WOVEN ABOUT STRANGE BODY

Atlanta Society Girl Claims Corpse of Unknown Man in Chicago Morgue, Brings It Home as Her Husband's.

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 12.—(U. P.)—Miss Julia "Chate" Crumley's weird dream romance, culminating when the girl, her brain after, brought home a man's body claiming to be that of her dead sweetheart, has vanished, leaving behind a puzzle for psychologists and nerve doctors, and a sensation for Atlanta society.

Police and members of her family turned today to an investigation of how the girl's fancy resulted in her claiming an unknown body in a Chicago morgue, and bringing it home as that of "Dr. Althea Henzley," a Canadian widow, whom her fevered imagination had pictured as her fiancé.

Claim Girl Is Hypnotized.

At first her family insisted that the body was that of the girl's husband, later that the girl was self-hypnotized.

Miss Crumley, prominent in Atlanta society, pictured her "romance" to friends. She seemed joyful. Then a cloud seemed to come over the affair, she was disheartened. She had been jilted, she said.

Then there was the "reconciliation," she was to wed. Friends entertained for her in honor of the event.

Suddenly the girl's strange imagination pictured her "fiance" killed in a railroad wreck. Later, sorrowing, she brought home the body of the "doctor," which it develops she got from a Chicago morgue.

Man Was Killed in Wreck.

Just before the funeral of the supposed sweetheart, suspicion arose, how, nobody knows. But the girl broke down under questioning and admitted her romance had existed only in her imagination.

Chicago advices reported that the body she brought home was that of a man killed on the Illinois Central railway.

Physicians are mystified. The case is the first they have encountered. Self-hypnosis, however, they said may account for the strange fiction the girl compounded.

CONSTANTINOPOLE IS GETTING SUPPLIES VIA ORIENT RAILWAY

Berlin Announces That German Munitions Are Being Received by the Turks.

Berlin, Nov. 12.—(U. P.)—German munitions are arriving at Constantinople as a result of the central allies' successes in the Balkans, according to advices today.

Crossing the Jastrelme range, 20 miles southeast of Krusevac, Austrian soldiers joined the Bulgarians in pursuit of the main Bulgarian Serbian army and captured over 1100 prisoners. It was officially announced today.

Kaiser in Balkans.

Copenhagen, Nov. 12.—(U. P.)—S. Emperor William is making his first visit to the Balkans.

Advices received here today state that the Kaiser passed through Orsova Friday bound for Sofia, where he will visit King Ferdinand.

The emperor also will inspect the German and Bulgarian forces under Marshal von Mackensen and General Bredow.

It is possible that he may go on to Constantinople.

Allies Slowing Up.

London, Nov. 12.—(U. P.)—The allies' advance in southern Serbia continues, although slowly, owing to the desperate resistance offered by the Bulgarians, and the allied forces today were still 125 miles from Nish, the nearest point on the orient railroad.

Allied attacks at Vele are being delivered with feverish haste, the plan of campaign being to utterly crush the Bulgarians before the crushing Serbian sweep down to their aid from the north.

Veles Is Burning.

Budapest, Nov. 12.—(U. P.)—Vele is in flames, reports received here today say. South of Vele the French have received 10,000 reinforcements. Bulgarians have occupied the heights south of Ribara, thereby endangering the retreat of the Serbians.

Allies Taking Precautions.

Athens, Nov. 12.—(U. P.)—Negotiations are in progress to insure the allies' safety before the crushing Serbian sweep down to their aid from the north.

Holladay Park to Get Statue From S.F. Fair

"Fountain of Earth," Center Piece in Old Spanish Court, Given to the City of Portland.

San Francisco, Nov. 12.—One of the most beautiful pieces of sculpture at the Panama-Pacific may soon grace the center of Holladay Park, which is now undergoing extensive changes.

Superintendent of Parks Conville today made formal application to the exposition for the "Fountain of Earth," that beautiful centerpiece in the old Spanish court. It is the work of Robert Altin and one of the most admired pieces on the grounds.

Conville leaves for San Diego tomorrow and upon his return he will arrange for the shipment of the statue. This is in accordance with the offer made to cities and states by the exposition some months before.

Commissioner Baker, head of the park bureau, says that he has not received word from Conville, but that it is his belief that the exposition officials have given the statue to Portland.

"The fair officials gave the park department of San Francisco and Spokane statues," he said this morning, "and when I learned of it I wired to John F. Logan, one of the members of the Oregon commission, to try and get a statue for Portland. Conville is now in San Francisco on his vacation and now probably he and Mr. Logan have induced the officials to give them a statue."

NO WARNING GIVEN TO ANCONA BY AUSTRIAN SUBMARINE, 160 SAY

Cries of Helpless Answered by Shouts and Gestures of Joy, Survivors Swear.

Italy Blames Germany.

Rome, Nov. 12.—(U. P.)—Italy without a declaration of war by sinking the Italian liner Ancona, according to official announcement from the war office here this evening. The text of the statement stated that a German diver was responsible for the Ancona's sinking, adding:

"The Ancona made no attempt to escape, stopping within a distance of 33 yards after the first shot was fired. She was torpedoed while the boats were being lowered and 160 passengers were still aboard."

"The submarine was a German warship, Germany opening hostilities without a declaration of war."

London, Nov. 12.—(U. P.)—One hundred and sixty survivors of the Ancona, the Turin correspondent of the Chronicle reports, have drawn up and signed a deposition on the disaster at Bizerta, Tunisia, where they are now. According to this deposition they assert the liner was fired on without any warning whatever, shells advising today.

German Sailors at Guam Going Insane

Two More Men From Interned Cruiser Corman Will Be Brought to U. S.; Idleness and Isolation Are Blamed.

San Francisco, Nov. 12.—(U. P.)—Two more German sailors from the interned cruiser Corman, who were taken to the United States at the island of Guam in the South Pacific have gone insane and are being transported to California by the United States government.

About three months ago two insane sailors from the interned German cruiser were here.

Two others who had consumption were also taken away from the island and sent to Colorado, and with the two insane men coming on the Logan is another sick man.

The patients are in care of Lieutenant von Plon from the Corman. Isolation, heat and anxiety are believed to be the cause for the four cases of insanity from the Corman's crew.

Yearling Dueros—Good, Warm House

If you are a stranger in our city, you would be wise to select your apartment from the Want Ad columns of The Journal.

Livestock—35

YEARLING Dueros, by sire of champion Dueros, to farm this month to Shadeland Crimmon Wonder, \$35, worth \$75.

Furnished Rooms—70

GOOD, warm, comfortable home for semi-invalids or convalescents. Meals if desired.

Dressmaking—40

EXPERIENCED dressmaker would like work by the day or at home. References.

WATCHMAN IS CAUGHT WITH STOLEN GOODS

Harry F. Courtney Confesses to Series of Thefts From Store, When Arrested by City Detective.

MARKED \$5 PIECE FOUND ON PERSON

Entrance Gained by Means of Keys That Would Open Almost Any Lock.

Caught in the act of robbing one of the stores he was paid to protect, Harry F. Courtney, night watchman and special policeman, arrested by City Detective John Goltz at 3 o'clock this morning, confessed to a series of thefts in the Pika & Hara Importing house at 414 1/2 Washington street, covering more than two months.

Courtney was taken in custody as he stepped from the store. He had in his pockets a dresser spread, table cover and a marked \$5 piece which had been left in the cash register as a trap. At first he denied the robbery, saying he had been in the store to see why the front door had been left open, but later, according to the police and Deputy District Attorney Richard Delch, broke down and confessed.

Carries String of Keys.

In his possession was found a string of over 100 keys of every imaginable type. On one string, next to his big brass police key issued by the city for the police alarm boxes, were five or six delicate picks for opening locks, and of a type that any burglar would have been overjoyed to possess.

The Pika & Hara store was opened September 5. Almost from the first, money and goods were missed.

If, for instance, \$20 in change would be left in the cash register, \$5 or \$10 of that would be missing. Gold money was taken, and the thief would place a nickel or quarter in the compartment in the cash register to lead the store manager to believe that he might have made a mistake himself.

Suspects Night Watchman.

Pika began suspecting Courtney and watched one or two nights. He saw the night watchman flash his light in the door several times, but Courtney was evidently suspicious and did not enter.

Last Sunday Pika took an inventory. He found he had lost \$225 worth of merchandise and \$75 in cash.

On Tuesday night there was another robbery. The police were notified and Detective Goltz came to the store, finding a note pinned to the wall, reading: "This resulted in Courtney's arrest."

Search warrants were secured today and Detectives Goltz, Hellyer and Tachery went to the home at 46 Sixty-eighth avenue, and are now looking for other stolen property. Courtney, who is 32 years old, is charged with larceny from a store. Pika signed a complaint against him this morning.

BODY OF SUICIDE IS FOUND IN CAR; LETTER IS LEFT GIRL

Roy Hill, Farmer of Tigard, Shoots Self Over Disappointment in Love.

Roy Hill, a young farmer of Tigard, disappointed over a love affair, entered a United Railways coach on the repair tracks of the Oregon Electric at Hood and Porter streets, and in the vestibule committed suicide by shooting himself through the forehead with a revolver, eight or ten days ago.

O. W. Olson, a car repairer, who entered this car today to work on the brake, stumbled over the body. The coroner was notified. The body is now at the public morgue.

A letter was found in a pocket of the suicide's clothes. It had originally been written October 28, but that date was crossed out and November 2 substituted. The letter, written to Miss Gertrude Smith of Oregon City was as follows:

"Dear Gertrude: I received your letter and was glad to hear that you are all right. Truly mine the Lord bless you. I have done wrong and I am sorry. I love you and I will do good for you, but it is too late, and do your best, for you are a good little girl. Good-bye with love, I die. Sincerely yours, 'YOUR ONLY ROY HILL.'"

That the man lived at Tigard was ascertained through letters addressed to him there. An effort is being made by Deputy Coroner Smith today to locate the father of the boy, who is believed to be near Tigard.

Wife Sues Indiana Chief Justice Lairy

Los Angeles, Nov. 12.—(U. P.)—Mrs. Mabel Lairy, wife of Moses B. Lairy, chief justice of the supreme court of Indiana and now a resident of Los Angeles, has filed suit in the superior court for a divorce. Mrs. Lairy charges that for 21 years her husband has showered attentions on other women.