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Probably fair tonight and Thursday.

RUSSIANS RETREAT ALONG POSITIONS ON GALICIA FRONT

Petrograd Admits Slavs Falling Back But Claims That German Loss Has Been Staggering.

MEN RECKLESSLY SACRIFICED

Austro-German Forces Maintained General Frontal Assault on Russian Positions for Nine Days and Thousands Slaughtered—Large Numbers of Troops Engaged.

PETROGRAD, May 12.—While admitting the general retreat of the Russian forces in Galicia, the war office declared the losses being suffered by the Germans in this fighting on the southeastern front are staggering. The Russian losses, it was admitted, have been heavy but the Germans are said to be sacrificing men in the most reckless fashion.

For nine days the Austro-German forces maintained a general frontal assault upon the Russian positions. They advanced in irresistible numbers.

PARIS, May 12.—In a series of night attacks in force the Germans recaptured a part of the trenches carried by the French yesterday before Lens but the French still hold the first and second lines, the war office announced. Efforts to pierce the German line between Lens and Arras, continued and the positions of the French in the first and second line of German trenches are being strengthened.

Additional heavy artillery has been brought up and the entanglements of the remaining German trenches are being battered. With the entanglements of the trenches reduced by the artillery it is believed that the heavy losses which would follow the storming of the positions will be avoided. The Germans are rushing reinforcements from the north to Lens to strengthen the line but as yet have been unable to check the general offensive of the French which is being maintained with the greatest enthusiasm.

O-W. R. AND N. BOATS MAY OPERATE ON WATERWAYS

INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION HANDS DOWN RULING IN QUESTION.

WASHINGTON, May 12.—The interstate commerce commission ruled that the operation of boats on the Columbia, Willamette and Snake rivers and Coeur d'Alene lake by the Oregon, Washington Railroad and Navigation company is permissible under the Panama canal act regulating railroad-owned vessels.

ART EXHIBIT OF LINCOLN SCHOOL ATTRACTS MANY

WASHINGTON SCHOOL THIS AFTERNOON IS HOLDING SIMILAR EXHIBIT.

Many patrons of the school visited the Lincoln school yesterday afternoon and inspected the art exhibit of the pupils of the eight grades. This afternoon the Washington school is drawing a similar gathering and this evening will present a musical in connection with its exhibit. Tomorrow afternoon and evening the Hawthorne school will hold its exhibit, the hours being from 2:30 to 4 and from 7:30 to 9. In the afternoon a musical program will be furnished by the children and in the evening a Victoria concert will be given. The public is invited.

The Program for the afternoon follows:

- From the first grade, "The Bird's Nest," "The Blacksmith."
- From the second grade B class, "Pussy Willow," "Gypsy Dandelion," and "Golden Crispin Tulips."
- From the third grade, Dorothy Strong, Eva Banks, Emma Ardeburn, Jack Shull, Ward De Witte and Johnny Luck will sing "The Violet," "All Through the Night," and "Welcome May."
- From the fourth grade Jeannette Anderson, Harold Anderson, Lavelle Perry, Helen Bell, Evelyn Anderson, Homer Taylor, Douglas Johnson and Ralph Rude will sing "The Fairy Ring" and "Morning."
- The fifth grade, "Birds Return."
- The sixth grade, "Comrade Robin."
- The seventh and eighth grades will sing "Bird of the Azure Wine" and "Good Night Song of the River."

Lifeboat Found at Sea With Bodies of Lusitania Victims

FOUR WOMEN AND TWO CHILDREN DIED FROM EXPOSURE AFTER DISASTER.

CORK, Ireland, May 12.—A lifeboat from the Lusitania containing the bodies of four women and two children, who perished from exposure, was picked up off Fastnet yesterday, a telegram stated. The lifeboat was floating upright and in good condition.

More Bodies Recovered.

QUEENSTOWN, May 12.—The steamer Flying Fish arrived today arrived with 17 additional bodies of the Lusitania disaster. Circumstantial reports that the body of Vanderbilt had been recovered remain unconfirmed. So far as known he wore no lifebelt and it is feared the body may never be found.

Stars and Stripes Was in Plain Sight on American Tanker

GULFIGHT MAY HAVE BEEN TORPEDOED BY A BRITISH SUBMARINE.

WASHINGTON, May 12.—The state department made public a sworn statement by Ralph E. Smith, ex-chief officer of the American steamer Gulfight, now her captain, describing the torpedoing of that vessel May 1 off the Scilly islands. When torpedoed, the officer says, the Gulfight was flying a large American ensign six by 10 feet in size. He said he saw the submarine, but "could not distinguish or see any flag flying on her."

Chief Officer Smith further says that shortly before the submarine was sighted two British patrol boats, the Iago and Fley, took positions on either side of the Gulfight and ordered her to follow them to the Bishop Light house.

Captain Smith in his testimony says: "May 11, 1915.—I am Ralph E. Smith, now master of the steamship Gulfight. At the commencement of the voyage I was chief officer. The ship left Port Arthur on April 10, 1915, about 4 p. m., laden with a tank cargo of gasoline and wooden barrels of lubricating oil. The voyage was uneventful. When about half way across the Atlantic the wireless operator told me there was a British cruiser in our vicinity and that he had heard messages from this ship the whole time since leaving Port Arthur, but she made no direct communication with or to our ship. From the sound of the wireless messages given out by the British ship, she seemed to maintain the same distance from us until about three days before we reached the mouth of the English Channel.

"On May, about 11 o'clock in the forenoon, we spoke two British patrol vessels named Iago and Fley. We were then about 22 miles west of the Bishop lighthouse. The patrol vessels asked where we were bound. After informing them we were bound for Rouen, they ordered us to follow them to the Bishop. The Fley took up a position a half-mile distant on our port bow, the Iago off our starboard quarter close to us. We steered as directed and at about 12:22, the second officer being on watch, sighted a submarine on our port bow—slightly on the port bow—steaming at right angles to our course. The submarine was in sight for about five minutes, when she submerged right ahead of us. I saw her, but could not distinguish or see any flag flying on her.

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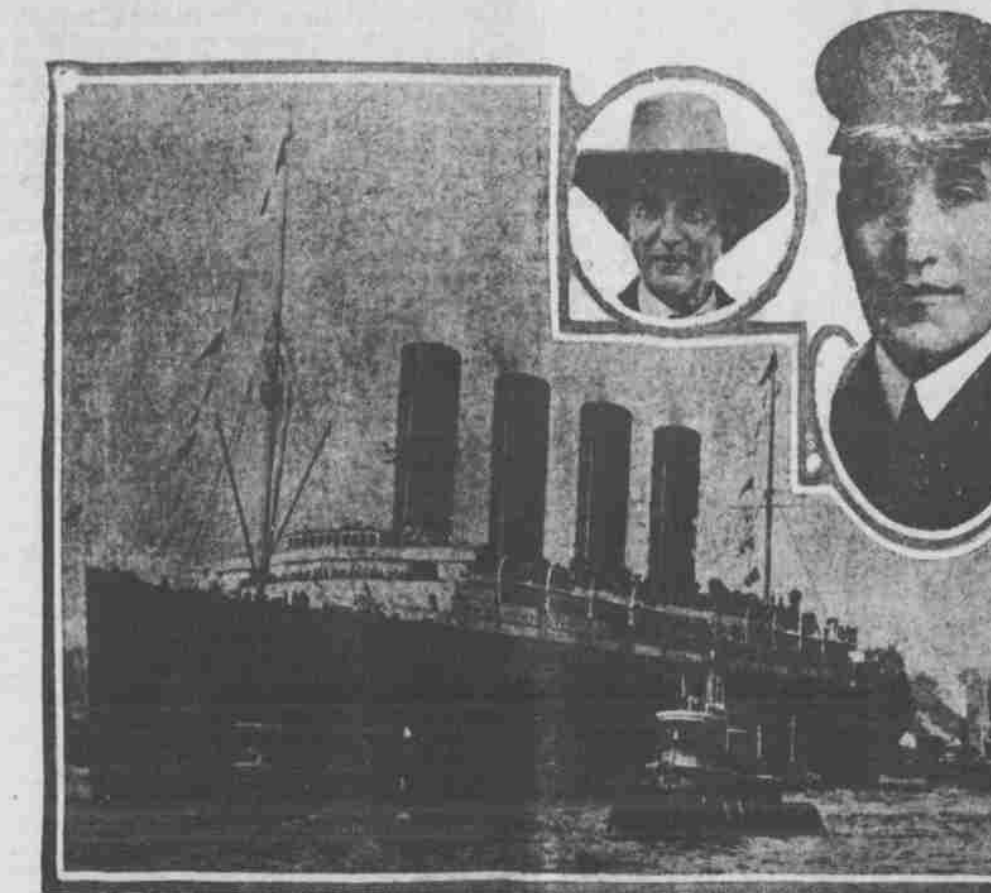
David M. Parry Dies.

INDIANAPOLIS, May 12.—David M. Parry, aged 64, former president of the National Association of Manufacturers, died here. He had been in failing health for many months. He was very wealthy and fought the unions for years.

NEWS SUMMARY

- General.** President Wilson has prepared note to be sent to Germany protesting against outrages to American sea trade and loss of lives on the Lusitania.
- Russians retreat from Galicia.** Lifeboat found with bodies of Lusitania victims.
- German residents in England are mobbed by angry citizens.** Reports continue that Italy has declared war on Germany.
- Local.** Celilo canal may mean big salmon runs for the river. Indications are that alleged Frankie Conley is Joe Conley and that promoter knew he was impostor. Ben Colvin to stand trial for perjury. Conley hiked in five rounds by Farrell; his second and pays \$50.

Two Victims of the Lusitania Disaster



S. S. LUSITANIA inserted LEFT - ALBERT VANDERBILT RIGHT - CARL TURNER

NO CONFIRMATION OF REPORT ITALY HAS ENTERED WAR

Reports Circulated, However, That Declaration of Hostilities Has Been Made—Crowds in Many Italian Cities Hold Demonstrations Calling on Government to Fight on Side of the Allies.

WASHINGTON, May 12.—Although the state department and the German, Austrian and Italian embassies had received no information concerning the report that Italy had declared war, diplomatic and military experts expressed the opinion that the entrance of Italy on the side of the allies is almost inevitable. If Italy maintains its neutral position in return for the territorial concessions by Austria, the chances of a Teutonic victory would be increased, these authorities declared. If German was the next natural step would be to help Austria recover the territory ceded to Italy.

RIVER NEAR WEST UMATILLA PROJECT CLOGGED BY SALMON

Salmon by the thousands are clogging the Umatilla river just below the diversion dam for the West Umatilla project unable to get above the dam, owing to the fact the fish ladder is too short for the large sized fish. This is the worst brought here today and it is probable an effort will be made to correct the ladder so as to allow the fish to pass. It is said that at small expense in time and money a ladder can be built that will permit fish to get by.

UPPER RIVER BOATS GETTING GOOD BUSINESS

STEAMER TEAL LOADED WITH FREIGHT AND PASSENGERS ON UP RIVER TRIP.

UMATILLA, Ore., May 12.—(Special)—The "J. N. Teal" of the upper river steamer line, passed up at midnight of the 10th loaded to the gunwales with freight for Umatilla, Kennewick, Pasco and Lewiston. The steamer carried 50 passengers. The freight cargo carried was the largest ever taken by an upper river boat and it is said an even larger cargo was left behind.

The "Inland Empire" and the "J. N. Teal" will constitute the upper river service at present, with twice a week sailings. Outgoing freight such as wool is now arriving here for the steamers. It's a case of matrimonial dyspepsia if a husband and wife fail to agree.

MAN SHOPS IN ENGLAND WRECKED BY FRENZIED MOBS

Special Meeting of the Cabinet is Called to Consider Measures of Handling "Alien Enemy."

MAY BE INTERNED IN CAMPS

Police in Many Cities Refuse to Interfere Because of Sentiment Against the Germans Over Loss of the Lusitania—Crowds Chase Germans Through the Streets.

LONDON, May 12.—Mobs paraded the streets today, demolishing stores and houses and attacking all persons bearing German and Austrian names. The situation involving the "alien enemies" is critical. In the case of aliens formed a defense battalion and defied the crowds and police. Barricades were erected and fighting followed. Chairs, stoves and clubs were used. A dozen heads were broken before the crowd was dispersed. At 5 o'clock more than 100 shops were demolished and looted. Women joined in the rioting, pillaging bakeries and shops.

LONDON, May 12.—So serious has the "alien enemy" problem become, following rioting last night during which shops of naturalized Germans were wrecked, a special meeting of the cabinet was called to consider measures to be taken. There is a growing feeling that all persons of German, Turkish and Austrian birth, whether naturalized or unnaturalized, should be interned until the end of the war. It is believed the cabinet will authorize this action. The constantly growing anti-German sentiment throughout the country is putting the police in all cities to a severe test. In many cases the police refused to protect aliens whose shops were being wrecked because of their own bitter feeling as a result of the sinking of the Lusitania. Several butchers with German names were mobbed at Smithfield market and thrown into the street. One was chased to Farringdon station where he held a mob at bay until he had an opportunity to catch a passenger train and escape. Germans dared not appear on the streets of Liverpool today. Many voluntarily asked to be interned in prison camps.

COLVIN MAY HAVE TO FACE TRIAL ON PERJURY CHARGE

FALSE TESTIMONY ALLEGED IN TRIAL ON CHARGE OF STEALING CATTLE.

Ben Colvin, prominent Grant county stockman, will probably be tried on a perjury charge within the next week or so, according to information reaching this city. He was indicted last fall but not arrested until recently when it was feared he was preparing to leave the state. He is now out on bonds and, through his attorney, has demurred to the indictment. Information coming here is to the effect that the demurrer will probably be disposed of this week and the case set for trial during the first week of court which convenes on Monday. The case is an outgrowth from the trial of Colvin on a charge of stealing cattle a year or more ago. At that time he was acquitted. However, the state alleges he made false testimony in the case and had him indicted. He's a wise prophet who can induce others to forget his predictions.

FIGHT GAME HERE "QUEERED" BY REPRESENTING JOE CONLEY AS EX-BANTAM WORLD CHAMPION

There seems little doubt today that the fighter who met Billy Farrell last night was not Frankie Conley, the ex-bantam champion as advertised, but Joe Conley, a lightweight who has been boxing around Spokane and in Idaho during the past few months. It also seems very obvious that the misrepresentation was very deliberately made in order to draw a better house and that promoter R. C. Shaw and Billy Farrell were in on the game. If this be true, and there seems little doubt about it, the fight game in Pendleton has again been "queered." There are many people here who like to see a good, clean, on-the-square boxing bout but, like other ordinary mortals, they don't like to be "hand-ed a package."

NOTE TO GERMANY WILL REMONSTRATE AGAINST METHODS

Communication Will be Dignified and Contain no Threat Over Loss of American Lives.

MAY GO TO BERLIN TONIGHT

Course of the President is Determined and Full Content of Note Will Be Made Public As Soon As It Becomes Proper to Publish It—Situation Is Covered.

WASHINGTON, May 12.—The note to Germany has been completed, the White House announced, and has been sent to the state department for transmission to Ambassador Gerard, who will deliver it to the German foreign office. It was reported the note is likely to be dispatched to Germany tonight.

WASHINGTON, May 12.—The course of President Wilson has been determined and will be announced as soon as it is proper to publish the note now in preparation, a statement dealing with the Lusitania situation issued from the White House announced. Secretary Tumulty gave out the announcement following a conference with the president. It is understood the note will be transmitted to Berlin tonight or Thursday. Tumulty refused to make any comment but the note is believed to be firm and to fully meet the country's expectations. The plans of the president are believed to be:

To ask Germany for a more accurate definition of its attitude toward American shipping cargoes and lives in the war zone; to refer to the sinking of the Falaba, the attack upon the Gulfight, the sinking of the Lusitania, the aeroplane attacks on the steamer Cushing and to ask what assurance will be given that such attacks will not occur again. There will be nothing in the nature of a threat or an ultimatum, it is said. The communication will be largely in the nature of a dignified remonstrance against the German methods of conducting submarine warfare. The German assertion that her methods are justified by the policy of the allies in endeavoring to starve Germany will not be accepted. The note will also refuse to indorse Germany's view that her warnings excused her for the damage done American property and the destruction of American lives. The president is hopeful the message may be so expressed and present so strong a case that Germany herself will admit she is in the wrong.

WASHINGTON, May 12.—The president is taking everything in the present critical situation in a matter of course way, except that he remains in his study more constantly than usual. His advisers say he personally is handling every development and the amount of work he is doing is enormous. Fears are expressed that he might break down under the strain. There is no sign of this, however. Today he looked and acted in perfect health and spirits.

Today's "Oddest Story." NEW YORK, May 6.—In these high cost of living days, Miss Annie S. Peck not only manages to keep her expenses for food down to twenty-five cents a day, but climbs mountains for diversion, on the thrifty diet. Fruit, cereals and coffee form her breakfast. Milk, chocolate, a banana or a dish of oatmeal with raisins in it, she finds satisfying and nutritious for luncheon.

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