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WASHINGTON IS TENSE OVER THE PERSIA SINKING

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SCENES ABOARD DESCRIBED

American Survivor Tells Last Hours Aboard Ill-Fated Lancer—Many of Passengers Washed Overboard When Steamer Turns Turtle Before Boats Launched.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Officials did not regard the evidence as conclusive that the Persia was torpedoed. Navy authorities say possibly she struck a mine, as the quick sinking of the ship makes the torpedo theory doubtful.

The presence of guns aboard the Persia has complicated future action but it is regarded as comparatively of minor importance. Congressman Flood, who conferred with the president, later assumed that Wilson desired to take both he and Stone into his confidence.

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LONDON, Jan. 4.—Scenes of horror preceded the plunge of the Persia. The ship turned turtle while the lifeboats were getting away. Waves washed more than a score of passengers from the deck when the ship slipped sharply, sending shrieking women and children slipping into the water. The sound of hymns rose from the lifeboats above the screams of the women and children, while survivors struggled in the water alongside the Persia. Charles Grant of Boston, said.

Grant was lurching when there came a sudden explosion. In an orderly manner the passengers went on deck. Grant slid off the ship, entangling his feet in a rope and jerking loose with difficulty. Finally he was fished up and taken aboard a British cruiser.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Secretary Lansing told Ambassador Bernstorff informally that the state department was considering modifying its position concerning the issue on merchantmen. He said the changes in naval warfare, resulting from the extensive use of submarines and the absence of German warships, caused America's changed position. It was unofficially stated that Germany and Austria will claim a submarine was entitled to sink the Persia because of guns aboard.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 4.—Colonel R. T. Van Horn, founder of the Kansas City Journal, died here after two weeks' illness. Colonel Van Horn was 72 years old.

All Unmuzzled Dogs Will be Taken up Says Chief Manning

Owners of dogs in Pendleton who have paid no heed to the edict of the mayor requiring all dogs to be muzzled to prevent the spread of rabies may wake up in the morning to mourn the loss of their canine pets. Chief of Police Manning announced this morning that he is putting an extra man on duty for the purpose of taking up unmuzzled dogs.

Registration to be Opened Under New Law as Soon as Numbering Precincts Ended

If the county court completes the numbering of the new precincts today, County Clerk Frank Saling will at once open the 1911 registration under the new registration law which makes one registry good for a lifetime providing you vote once in every two years and do not change your precinct. The law went into effect yesterday, but owing to the fact that the new precincts have not been numbered, no registrations were made.

Under the law, registration books will be kept open in all the counties of the state until 30 days before the

Six of Men Indicted in War Munition Plots



Here are six of the men indicted by the federal grand jury in New York, charged with furthering war munition plots in this country. From left to right: H. Robert Fowler, ex-congressman from Illinois and general counsel for Labor's National Peace Council; Frank Buchanan, of Chicago, member of congress, labor leader and former president of Labor's National Peace Council; David Lamar, alias Lanower, alias David H. Lewis, known as 'the wolf of Wall street,' now under sentence of two years for impersonating a congressman; Frank S. Honnett, ex-attorney general of Ohio, international lawyer, chairman of the council's resolutions committee and former business associate of H. Robert Fowler; Henry H. Martin, well known Washington lobbyist, member of the executive committee of Labor's National Peace Council; and Frank von Kintelen, captain in the German army (now a prisoner in England), alleged bagman for the war plotters in this country.

NEWS SUMMARY

General. Montenegro and Austrians struggle for control of the Adriatic. Administration will await complete facts before taking action in Persia case. Washington is tense with excitement over the sinking of the Persia.

Local. Library difference adjusted and levy of 7 1-2 mills made. More rabies reported in county; police to kill unmuzzled dogs. Sunday closing law is upheld.

Portland. Judge Wolverton in federal court sustained the Oregon Sunday closing law as in accord with both federal and state constitutions. His ruling came with a denial of the applications of the Brunswick-Balke-Collender company for an injunction against District Attorney Evans and other Oregon district attorneys to prevent them from enforcing the law.

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Senator Honors Lamar. WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—The senate adjourned out of deference for the late Justice Lamar.

Song Service is One Feature of Church Meetings

Another large crowd attended the second night of the revival meetings now in progress at the Christian church. The nature and spirit of those meetings is of a very high order and are noteworthy because of their absolute lack of sensationalism.

Mr. Hubbell preached on the subject, 'The man who asked to be injured.' Mr. Hubbell said in part: 'Jehesab has ever stood out both in profane and sacred history as one of the wickedest women that the world has ever known. Her influence over King Ahab, her husband, was far greater than God's influence over him. Ahab like a great many people of today, tried to improve upon God's command. God has given us a law to live by, but we have grown lax in our morals and payless in our daily lives. We put our whims and caprices ahead of God's law.'

God has given us souls for our keeping, but we have compromised with sin, and are ever ready to offer excuses for our failure to live uprightly. We allow social forms and etiquette to keep us from telling our friends and loved ones of Jesus Christ's saving grace.

A splendid chorus is helping with the music. There is always a rousing song service from 7:30 until 8 each evening. Last night Mr. Ride-nour sang 'Abide With Me,' fully illustrated with stereopticon views.

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SUNDAY CLOSING LAW SUSTAINED BY COURT

No Word Here. Neither District Attorney Steiner nor Sheriff Taylor have received any official notice of the decision of the federal court relative to the Sunday closing law. Some weeks ago they were served with an injunction order until they are notified that this injunction has been dissolved.

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That the law is sometimes called a Sunday law, says Judge Wolverton, 'does not alter the question, and the interpretation must be had by a consideration of the act itself.' This was in reference to the contention that the law is in contravention of religious liberty.

Nor does the fact that the law has been little enforced require its nullification now, says the decision. Points of the decision are that the law does not violate the fourteenth amendment of the federal constitution or the twentieth amendment to the state constitution.

Austria to Get Serbia. ZURICH, Jan. 4.—Emperor Franz Joseph has nominated Count Salis Sewis military commander of Vienna for the post of governor general of Serbia, indicating that the central allies have allotted Serbia to Austria as her share in the spoils of war.

Choate to Defend Osborne. OSSINGTON, N. Y., Jan. 4.—Joseph H. Choate has offered his legal services free of charge to defend Thomas Mott Osborne, the deposed warden of Sing Sing prison, in the trial of the indictments against the latter. It was announced here by Spencer Miller, Mr. Osborne's secretary.

ADMINISTRATION AWAITING FACTS IN PERSIA CASE

Wilson Returns from South and Begins Plans to Take Prompt Action Against Submarine War.

SITUATION GROWING GRAVE

Statement Issued Says Action Will be Taken Just as Soon as Information is Received From Official Representatives of the United States Aboard.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Back from his honeymoon, President Wilson immediately began plans to take prompt and decisive steps to stop illegal submarine attacks. He unreservedly admitted the situation was very critical. The following statement was issued: 'The president and secretary of state are taking every means possible to obtain facts in this grave matter and will act just as soon as information is obtainable.'

It was decided not to call a cabinet meeting today. Wilson conferred with Senator Stone and Secretary Lansing. Besides the Aegean case and the torpedoing of the Persia, the administration was confronted by diplomatic issues arising from the summarizing of the Giennyle, Yassaka Maru, Clotat and Lusitania. Congress assembled at noon and promised to participate in international affairs. A battery of speakers prepared to turn their verbal guns on the submarine warfare.

After a conference, Stone declared the president now lacks the facts concerning the Persia and that nothing will be done until these have been obtained. He told the president about the plans of the foreign committee to delve into the international situation.

TWO GERMAN DIVERS ARE REPORTED SUNK

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 4.—Two German submarines are reported to have been sunk in the Black sea, in dispatches received here. Official confirmation was lacking.

Wilson to Get Data.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—A messenger bearing complete memoranda on the sinking of the Persia was dispatched to meet President Wilson aboard the special train bringing him to Washington from Hot Springs, Va.

Vicerene a Cousin of Morgan



LONDON, Jan. 4.—Mrs. Lewis Vernon Harcourt, wife of Lewis Vernon Harcourt, who is about to resign his position as first commissioner of the late J. P. Morgan, works in the cabinet to succeed Harcourt as viceroy of India, is in England has become known as one of the most prominent hostesses in British official life. Her husband occupies a position of close relationship in 1910, Mrs. Harcourt was at court.

LAND AND NAVAL FORCES STRUGGLE FOR THE ADRIATIC

Control of Sea is Sought in Battle Now in Progress Montenegro's Seek to Dislodge Austrians From Naval Base at Cattaro—Latter Attack in Force Mount Lowcen But Montenegro's So Far Repulse Attacks.

ROME, Jan. 4.—A desperate and important struggle for the mastery of the Adriatic is raging near Cattaro between naval and land forces and Montenegro's. The Austrians are determined to capture Mount Lowcen, the Gibraltar of the Adriatic. For six days the Austrians have been attacking. If the Montenegro's resistance is successful, they plan later to dislodge the Austrians from the naval base at Cattaro.

COUNTY LEVY IS MADE AT 7 AND HALF MILLS; MONEY IS INCLUDED FOR LIBRARIES

Following an expression from the central library board to the effect that it is perfectly willing to allow the Milton board to manage its own building affairs provided no responsibility would attach to them, the county court this morning ended its deadlock over the levy and signed the order making the levy for the next year seven and a half mills. This means that \$10,000 will be available for use in the construction of the central library building in this city and \$2000 to assist in putting up the Milton building. Today being the last day upon which a levy could be made, the library board met last evening to take such action as considered necessary to adjust the differences holding up the levy. The members expressed themselves as perfectly willing to delegate authority to the Milton board in the matter of supervising the construction of the branch building providing the central board would not be held accountable for any errors, defects or irregularities. This decision was communicated to Commissioner Cockburn this morning and, forthwith he and Judge Marsh affixed their signatures to the official order. The order calls for a seven and a half mill tax upon all property in the county, the total assessed value of which is \$48,827,339.25. This levy will produce approximately \$365,000. In addition there is about \$28,000 balance in the general fund and it is estimated that about \$15,000 will be collected from other sources.

HOPE IS ABANDONED THAT M'NEELY WAS SAVED FROM PERSIA

LONDON, Jan. 4.—It was learned today that the sinking of the P. and O. liner Geelong off Gibraltar was the result of a collision with the steamer Louisa. The admiralty has abandoned hope that M'Neely was saved from the Persia, although 11 persons, including Lord Montague, were reported landed at Malta.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—American Consul Skinner at London, reported today the official lists of the survivors from the Persia do not include M'Neely. Seven Hindu sailors, clinging to an overturned boat were rescued by the steamer Hongchow. Skinner said the survivors reported the attack was made without warning.

BERLIN, Jan. 4.—Regret was almost universally expressed here over the sinking of the liner Persia. Heroic efforts are progressing to rescue the Teuton-American relations. Officials refuse to comment until submarine commander reports.

W. C. SHULTS PASSES AWAY. W. C. Shultz, formerly of this city, passed away in Portland at noon today, according to a telephone message received this afternoon from A. W. Sny, his father-in-law.

Market news table with columns for Chicago Wheat, Liverpool, and other commodity prices.