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W. L. THOMPSON ASKED TO TAKE ADVISORY POSITION ON WAR FINANCE COMMISSION

STEAMER SINKS IN PACIFIC AT AN EARLY HOUR

Canadian Importer Sunk 650 Miles Southwest of Columbia River at 2:30 This Morning.

STEAMER CORDOVA STOOD BESIDE SINKING VESSEL

Portland Bound Vessel Abandoned Sinking Steamer When Members Crew Were Saved.

PORTLAND, Aug. 25.—(U. P.)—The steamship Canadian Importer was reported to have sunk 650 miles southwest of the Columbia river at 2 o'clock this morning. The steamer Cordova, from San Francisco to Portland was standing by. It is reported that small boats pulled away from the sinking steamer, but most of the members of the crew were taken aboard the Cordova. One boat is reported missing. The Cordova abandoned the sinking steamer when the members of the crew were saved. The Cordova scoured the sea for additional survivors and is proceeding on to Portland.

Sister Ship to Exporter.
PORTLAND, Aug. 25.—(U. P.)—The Canadian Importer reported sunk off the California coast, is a sister ship of the Canadian Exporter, which was wrecked on the sands of Willapa harbor a month ago and which was a total loss. The vessel was launched at Vancouver, B. C. in 1919, and put to sea from Puget Sound August 15, with 3,500,000 feet of lumber. Marine circles believe the shifting of the cargo caused a leak, which when the first radiogram was received at Portland, head station, indicated a depth of 17 feet in the hold.

Life Boat Still Missing.
According to Captain Hissett, the vessel had been in a bad condition for several days and was able to receive a wireless but not to send one. It was just able to get out a message which summoned the steamer Cordova to its aid. A boat with 20 men is still missing at the last reports. The Cordova was too far off shore for a good wireless communication. The crew is understood to total 44 and there were no passengers.

Appeal For Help in Search.
SEATTLE, Aug. 25.—(A. P.)—A broadcast appeal has been sent to ships over the North Pacific to watch for the missing host of Canadian Importer survivors. The Cordova was unable to locate the boatload according to a message received this morning. The Cordova was from Honolulu to Astoria and Portland and picked up the distress call when near the Canadian Importer last night. The message was "We are sinking fast. Hurry. We have 17 feet of water in the engine room."

20 Members of Crew Missing.
PORTLAND, Aug. 25.—(U. P.)—Mesager reports from the steamer Cordova, steaming toward the Columbia river with the survivors of the members of the crew of the Canadian Importer, reported sunk 400 miles off Eureka, Cal., indicate 20 members of the crew missing. A lifeboat with approximately that many pulled away into the darkness as the Cordova went to the ill-fated steamer and may probably attempt to row to the mainland. The Cordova is scheduled to arrive here August 28.

WIFE ATTACKS HUSBAND AND HIS COMPANION

DALLAS, Tex., Aug. 25.—(I. N. S.)—Entering the Marine Field club-house unexpectedly, Mrs. Jess Hassell, wife of the president, the Dallas baseball club, emptied the contents of a bottle of acid upon an unidentified woman and Hassell, whom she found together at the clubhouse. The woman was severely burned. Hassell's injuries are not serious. Mrs. Hassell was charged with maiming and carrying a deadly weapon.

WHITE INHABITANTS ARE SLAIN IN FIERCE RIOTS

BOMBAY, Aug. 25.—(U. P.)—Over 1000 white inhabitants of the Malabar district were slain during the rioting. The maddened Mohals, committing excesses, killing and burning, are proceeding toward Calcutta, while troops are rushed to meet and disperse the fanatics.

GERMAN AMERICAN PEACE TREATY SIGNED

Terms of Treaty Substantially Same as Knox-Porter Peace Resolution it is Declared.

BERLIN, Aug. 25.—(U. P.)—The German-American peace treaty was signed at 5 o'clock this afternoon, according to Berlin time. The treaty is substantially the same as the Knox-Porter peace resolution, it is said here.

Ratified by Two Governments.

BERLIN, Aug. 25.—(U. P.)—The German-American treaty has been signed. When ratified by the two governments involved it will end the state of war existing between the United States and Germany, since April 6th, 1917. Loring Dresel, the American commissioner, signed for the United States, and German representative signed for Germany.

RAGAINS WAS AT CUNHA CABIN FOLLOWING ROW SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Believed Further Evidence Will Discredit Version Given by Two Witnesses.

Testimony expected to be divulged at the coroner's inquest into the cause of the death of Louis Ragains tomorrow morning will show that after Hagains left the Wright cabin in the afternoon he went to the Cunha cabin, about eight miles distant, and returned to the Wright place later in the evening. Information to this effect is understood to have been collected by the authorities following a further investigation of the actions of Ragains during the interval when he was not in the cabin where his death is supposed to have occurred.

Data on the actions of the man who was shot during the interval that intervened between his two visits to the cabin has been desired since the tragedy and the clearing up of this point yesterday provides more material for which the prosecution has searched.

Further evidence to show that Ragains was not standing by the window when he was shot, and that the man who fired the shot stood at the foot of the bed is claimed as a result of the finding of the bullet hole in the wall of the cabin by District Attorney C. Z. Randall. The course of the bullet, as indicated by the hole it made in the wall is likely to disprove the stories of Charles Runyon and George M. Sheldy according to the belief expressed at the district attorney's office.

The "letter of mystery" will not prove a vital factor in the case, according to R. J. Keator.

"This business of posting letters or gains is a common thing in the mountains or in the forests, and I attach no significance to the fact that such a missive has been found."

\$250,000 WORTH OF SCOTCH LANDED

NORFOLK, Va., Aug. 25.—(U. P.)—Two hundred fifty thousand dollars worth of Scotch whiskey was landed somewhere along the shores of Chesapeake Bay by five bootlegging schooners from Nassau and Bahamas. It is believed today. The bootleg fleet ran by the revenue blockade, defied the pursuing craft, fled up the bay and is believed to have landed the contraband cargo and fled again to the open sea.

IRRIGATION CONGRESS EXECUTIVE BOARD TO MEET IN PENDLETON

As president of the Oregon Irrigation congress, James M. Kyle of Stanfield has called a meeting of the executive committee of the congress to meet in Pendleton during the Round-up. The board is composed of eight members and they will hold their sessions at the Hotel Pendleton. Because of the scope of important work covered by the irrigation congress the coming meeting of the executive committee is being awaited with interest and it is considered complimentary to Pendleton that the session is to be held here. The committee will be here September 22, 23 and 24.

HEROIC OPERATOR PREFORMS DUTY BRAVELY TO END

'Ship's Back Broken; We Are Afire, Falling We—' Was Last Message Sent by ZR-2

CITY OF HULL IS IN DEEP MOURNING FOR LOST MEN

Tide so Strong and Sands Shifting so Rapidly Almost Impossible to Recover Bodies.

HULL, Eng., Aug. 25.—(U. P.)—"The ship's back is broken. We are afire, falling. We—" was the last message Lieutenant Wicks, aircraft wireless operator on the ZR-2 sent the airdrome here. Wicks stuck gallantly to his post until the last, according to the broken message. Wicks was among those lost. Lieutenant Wamm, commanding the huge craft, was the only British officer saved. He said most of the men were inside the envelope amidships when the explosion occurred, and probably perished in the fire as the ship fell in flames and then were caught in the submerged wreckage.

Divers Inspect Wreckage.

HULL, Aug. 25.—(I. N. S.)—Divers who inspected the submerged wreckage of the dirigible ZR-2 during the morning reported the tide so strong and the sands shifting so rapidly over the body of the lost airship that it was unlikely a more bodies will ever be recovered. Thirty-eight are still missing.

The death list is officially placed at 43. The city of Hull is in deep mourning. All flags are at half mast. It is likely a great public funeral will be held in London for the lost British and American air sailors.

Only One American Saved

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—(U. P.)—The navy department received official word that of the 17 Americans on the ill-fated ZR-2, only one, Norman Walker of Commerce, Texas, escaped. He was near the tail of the craft, which served as a parachute. Walker came ashore smoking a cigarette. The British air ministry has exchanged condolences with the United States navy air department, regretting the loss of the men.

Explosion Occurred After Breaking.

HULL, Aug. 25.—(A. P.)—The cause of the ZR-2 disaster, in which all of the crew except five, including one American, Norman Walker, the rigger, perished yesterday, was reported to be due to the breaking of the longitudinal girder amidships, made of aluminum alloy, cutting the airship in halves. An explosion occurred immediately after the breaking. Divers began today to explore the fire-twisted wreck.

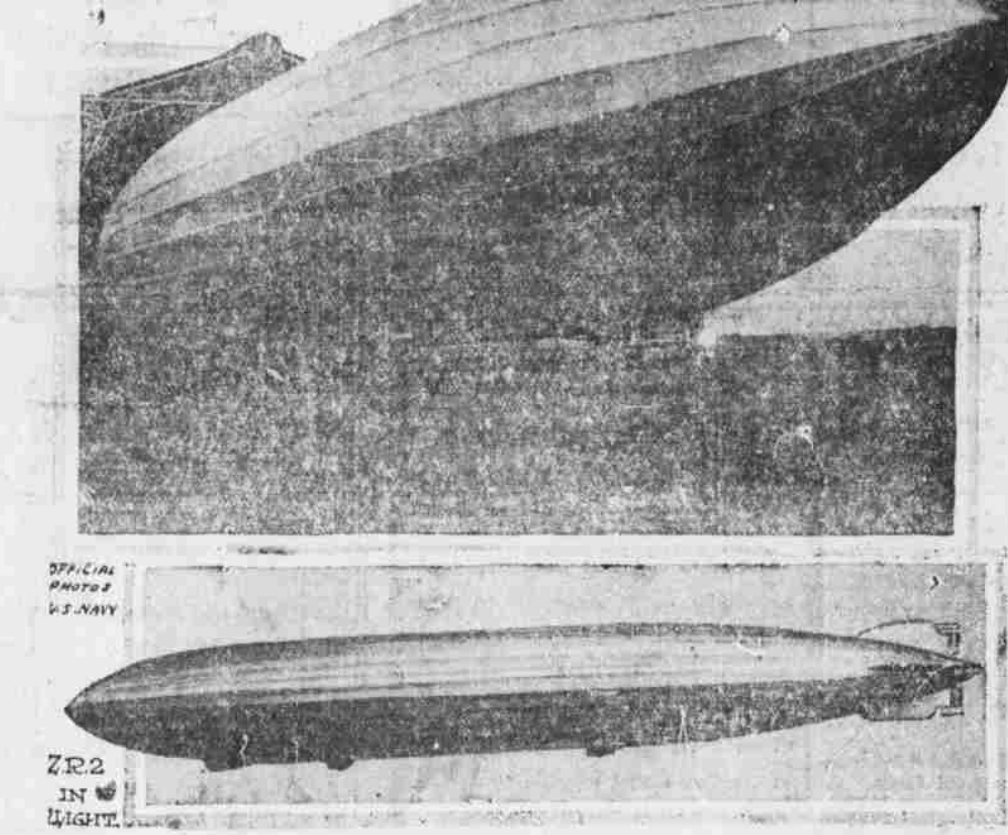
U. S. Destroyers Sent.

HULL, Aug. 25.—(U. P.)—Divers are searching the tangled, twisted wreckage of the world's once greatest airship in a renewed effort as the tide reached its lowest ebb. They reported they could see bodies but were unable to reach some of them, due to the swift current. A great funeral will probably be held today in honor of the gallant men who perished in the disaster. The United States is sending destroyers to bring the recovered bodies back to the United States and the navy board is preparing to conduct an inquest. Investigation into the cause of the disaster will be left to the British.

GIANT U. S. AIRSHIP ZR-2 WHICH BLEW UP YESTERDAY DURING PRELIMINARY TRY OUT



ZR-2 LEAVING HANGAR AT BEDFORD, ENGLAND



ZR-2 IN FLIGHT

The above pictures of the ZR-2 were taken in England during practice flights. The government was to pay \$2,600,000 for the airship and the hangar at Lakehurst, New Jersey cost \$3,000,000. Another million was scheduled for expense of crew and for filling the huge tanks with helium gas. The ZR-2 (H-33) was built at the Royal Airship Works, Carlisle, Bedford, Eng. The ZR-2 was the largest airship that has ever been built. It is about 500,000 cubic feet larger in capacity than the German Zeppelin L-71, which the Germans built to bomb New York City. Her total length was 700 feet, her greatest diameter 85 feet and her total height from the bottom of her suspended cars to the top of her hull was 92 feet. Her cubic capacity was approximately 2,720,000 cubic feet, which gave her about 84 tons gross lift and a disposable lift of approximately 45 tons, which consists of gasoline, oil, crew, cargo or armament.

SINN FEIN SOLDIERS ORDERED TO BE READY FOR ACTIVE SERVICE

No Such Necessity May Arise, Said Order, But it is Duty of Defenders Not to Relax.

DUBLIN, Aug. 25.—(I. N. S.)—A general order calling all Sinn Fein soldiers to hold themselves in readiness for active service in the field at any moment has been sent to all ranks and units of the Irish republican army.

"No such necessity may arise," said the order, "but it is the duty of the defenders of the Irish republic not to relax their vigilance and to leave nothing to chance."

Cabinet's Reply Delivered.

LONDON, Aug. 25.—(A. P.)—The Irish cabinet's reply was delivered to the premier's official residence at one o'clock today.

Leaves Opening for Negotiations.

DUBLIN, Aug. 25.—(A. P.)—The Irish republican cabinet's reply to the letter of Lloyd George of August 14th which the premier denied Ireland's right to secession and declined to recognize the Irish dispute in foreign arbitration leaves an "unmistakable opening" for the continuation of the peace negotiations, according to a report here.



W. L. THOMPSON

FORMER LOCAL BANKER TO AID IN LOAN PLANS

Wire Received Here Tells of Position Proffered Following Bills Passage.

TWO BILLIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PROGRAM

Half Billion Now on Hand; Commission Has Authority to Get More by Bond Sale.

W. L. Thompson, vice-president of the First National Bank of Portland and president of the American National Bank of Pendleton, has been requested by the war finance commission to occupy an advisory position on the war finance board, a message received by J. B. McCook, vice-president of the bank, today states.

Thompson has been particularly interested in the livestock and in getting financial aid for the livestock interests of the West, and he has been in Chicago and in the East for several weeks working in the interests of this measure. He was the only banker west of Chicago taking part in the conference of the committee.

The proffer of the position on the board is taken here to mean that the details of applying the loans will be left to the former Pendleton man. The war finance board has on hand a half billion-dollar fund now, and authority has been granted it to sell bonds for another billion and one-half which will be used to assist in exporting agricultural and livestock products.

The telegram received here this morning is as follows:

"The agriculture, livestock relief bill was passed by congress Wednesday. I have been requested by the war finance commission to accept advisory position on the war finance board to assist in putting the provisions of this bill into effect. The war finance commission has about half a billion dollars on hand and authority to sell bonds totaling one and one-half billion dollars."

ILLINOIS VETERAN IS NEARING 104 BIRTHDAY

WHITE TOWN, Ill., Aug. 25.—(U. P.)—Stephen White, Mexican war veteran and reputed to be the oldest native born citizen of Montgomery county, Ill., soon will celebrate his 104th birthday. White was born in 1818, the same year Illinois was admitted to the Union.

He is one of the few surviving Mexican war veterans in the state. He participated in the battles of Vera Cruz and Cerro Gordo, sustaining severe wounds in the latter battle. White has been on the matrimonial seas twice. His second wife, six children, forty grandchildren and six great-grandchildren are living.

WANT TROOPS SENT TO MINGO COAL DISTRICT

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—(A. P.)—The war department has received an urgent appeal for troops to restore order and prevent lawlessness in the Mingo coal fields of West Virginia.

Protest Against Martial Law. RACINE, W. Va., Aug. 25.—(A. P.)—A crowd of over 5000 reached here today from Marmet where they have been in camp. They declared they came to protest against martial law in Mingo county.

THE WEATHER

Reported by Major Lee Moorhouse, weather observer. Maximum, 76. Minimum, 41. Barometer, 29.86.

TODAY'S FORECAST

Tonight and Friday fair.

MINERS IN MINGO CO. PREPARED TO RENEW INDUSTRIAL BATTLE

Workers Are Armed With Rifles and Machine Guns; State Cannot Cope With Situation.

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., Aug. 25.—(U. P.)—An unconfirmed report from Logan, W. Va., said the armed miners, who had been camped at Marmet for several days, are entering Logan county heavily armed, prepared to renew the industrial war which months ago tore the Mingo county mining section.

Ask Aid from War Department. Governor Morgan, of West Virginia, appealed to the war department for 1000 federal soldiers to protect the mining fields and workers against the armed band of miners estimated at 2000 marching into Mingo and Logan county industrial sections.

The miners are armed with rifles, revolvers and machine guns. Stores are reported robbed, officers are disarmed, telephone lines are torn down and trains have been commandeered to carry the miners' supplies. The governor says the state cannot cope alone with the situation.

CATTLE MARKET IS STEADY

PORTLAND, Aug. 25.—(A. P.)—Cattle are steady. Hogs are 28 cents lower, prime light \$10 to \$10.75. Sheep are steady. Eggs are weak and unsettled. Butter is firm.

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