

# CONSUL IS LISTED WITH LINERS' DEAD

## American Official On Steamer Sunk by Submarine.

### MANY SURVIVORS IN EGYPTIAN PORT

#### Those Rescued Said to Include 59 Passengers and 94 of Crew—Vessel's Captain Drowns.

London—Unofficial dispatches from Cairo say that the British steamship Persia, sunk in the Mediterranean on Thursday, was torpedoed without warning and sank in five minutes. Between 150 and 160 survivors have been landed at Alexandria, Egypt. Robert N. McNeely, American consul at Auden, Arabia, is believed to have been drowned. Reuter's Cairo correspondent makes the unreserved statement that Mr. McNeely lost his life. Charles H. Grant, of Boston, was saved. Details of the sinking of the Persia came in slowly but such information as was received made it appear that the number of persons who escaped in the four boats which were put off was larger than was hoped when the first news was received. The Peninsular & Oriental company, which owned the Persia, announced that 158 survivors had arrived at Alexandria. The survivors comprise the chief officer, second officer, seven engineers, 27 seamen, 63 lascars and 59 passengers. A Lloyds dispatch gives the number as 168, made up of 59 passengers, of whom 17 are women, and 94 members of the crew, including 59 lascars. The survivors include military officers and eight persons who are not British subjects. "The ship was struck amidships on the port side at 1:10 p. m., says Reuter's correspondent at Cairo. "She had disappeared completely at 1:15. "Survivors say it was little short of a miracle that anyone was saved. There was no panic. Four boats were launched with the utmost promptitude. "The captain was drowned. When last seen he was swimming after the liner had plunged beneath the surface. "Both the Peninsular & Oriental company and Reuter's Cairo correspondent say that Mr. Grant has been landed at Alexandria. The steamship company had no news of Mr. McNeely's fate. Edward Rose, of Denver, left the Persia at Gibraltar, as was reported.

## OREGON BLUE LAW HELD TO BE LEGAL BY THREE FEDERAL JUDGES

The old Sunday blue law of Oregon is valid and not in contravention either of the state or Federal constitutions. Three United States judges so agree in a sweeping opinion handed down Wednesday at Portland, by United States District Judge Wolverson, which upholds the law in every particular wherein attack has been made on it in the Federal court. The opinion denies the prayer of the Brunswick-Balke-Collender company, manufacturers of billiard and pool tables and bowling alleys, for a permanent injunction restraining district attorneys and sheriffs of 25 Oregon counties from enforcing the law. In great detail it sets forth the reasons for rejecting the contentions of Wilson T. Hume, attorney for the petitioning company, as to the invalidity of the law. It holds that the principle of the right of the state to regulate the pursuit of occupations on Sunday under its

### SENATOR J. C. W. BECKHAM

J. C. W. Beckham, the new senator from Kentucky, is a former governor of that state, having been elected after the disturbances that led to the assassination of Governor Goebel. He was born in Bardotown, Ky., in 1869. A police officer has been conclusively determined by the Oregon Supreme court in two decisions. It declares that the United States Supreme court further has uniformly upheld this principle as being a legitimate exercise of the police power of the state. It asserts the contention that the law interferes with religious liberty to be ill-founded, and declares it essentially civil and not religious. It sweeps aside technical points raised against the validity of the law of the title of the amended law of 1885 and other irregularities.

### Many Cities on Sound Feel Earthquake Which Follows Shock in East

Tacoma, Wash.—Two distinct earthquake shocks, felt in every part of Tacoma, took place shortly before 5 o'clock Saturday. The shocks were quick and sharp and more like an explosion. Buildings shook and trembled and in some cases persons ran out of their houses to see what had happened. At the Dupont powder plant, it was stated, the shocks were also felt. So far as has been learned yet, there was no damage. Olympia, Wash.—At 4:50 o'clock a severe earthquake shock was felt here of about 30 seconds' duration. No material damage has been reported. Seattle, Wash.—An earthquake shock was felt here Saturday afternoon, beginning at 4:52 o'clock, continuing about 10 seconds, followed by lighter tremors. No damage was done. Washington, D. C.—A severe earthquake, the heaviest recorded in some time and lasting almost three hours, occurred in an undetermined location Saturday. Seismographs of the Georgetown University observatory began recording the tremor at 8:43 a. m. The shocks increased in intensity, and between 9:25 and 9:45 o'clock they were violent. It was conservatively estimated that the distance of the center of the disturbance was 2000 miles from Washington.

### Illinois Boys to Train

Chicago—Requests for the incorporation of the National Cadet Corps league and the Illinois Cadet league were forwarded to Springfield, Ill. The National body and its state auxiliary, in the belief of the incorporators, will bring about the introduction of military training for high school boys, college youths and graduates, with instructions detailed and equipment furnished by the government. A postcard canvass of the Chicago school boys will be undertaken to determine whether the parents favor military drill for their sons.

### French Wires Are Down

New York—Heavy storms in France during the last few days have seriously interfered with telegraphic communication, and for this reason the French Cable company announces that messages for transmission through that company would be accepted subject to indefinite delay. Messages received here from France did not give any details of the damage other than that sales and heavy rains had broken down many wires.

## NORTHWEST MARKET REPORTS; GENERAL CROP CONDITIONS

Portland—Wheat—Bluestem, \$1 per bushel; fortyfold, \$1; club, 97c; red Fife, 95c; red Russian, 95c. Hay—Eastern Oregon timothy, \$17 @17.50 per ton; valley timothy, \$14 @14.50; alfalfa, \$16 @17; oats and vetch, \$13. Millfeed—Spot prices: Bran, \$22 per ton; shorts, \$23; rolled barley, \$29@30. Corn—White, \$35 per bushel; cracked, \$36. Vegetables—Artichokes, \$1.10 per dozen; tomatoes, California, \$1.50 @1.75; cabbage, 90c per hundred; garlic, 15c per pound; peppers, 10@12@c; eggplant, 10c; sprouts, 8c; horseradish, 8c; cauliflower, 75c@85c per dozen; celery, 50@60c; beans, 24@25c per pound; lettuce, \$2@2.75 per crate; peas, 15c per pound. Green Fruits—Pears, \$1 @1.50 per box; grapes, \$5 per barrel; cranberries, \$10@14.50. Potatoes—Oregon, \$1@1.15; Yakimas, \$1.15@1.25 per sack; sweets, \$2.50@2.75 per hundred. Onions—Oregon, buying price, \$1.25 f. o. b. shipping point. Apples—Spitzenbergs, extra fancy, \$2.25; fancy, \$2; choice, \$1.25@1.50; Jonathans, extra fancy, \$1.50; fancy, \$1.25; choice, \$1; Yellow Newtowns, extra fancy, \$2; fancy, \$1.75; choice, \$1@1.25; Baldwin, extra fancy, \$1.50; fancy, \$1.25; choice, \$1; russets, orchard run, \$1. Eggs—Oregon ranch, candled, \$3 @35c per dozen; Oregon storage, 22@23c. Poultry—Hens, small, 12 @13c; large, 13@14c; springs, 12@13c; turkeys, live, 18@19c; turkeys, dressed, choice, 24c; ducks, 12@15c; geese, 10 @11c. Butter—City creamery, cubes, extra, selling at 28c; firsts, 26c; prints, and cartons, extra. Prices paid to producers: Country creamery, 22@26c; butterfat, No. 1, 28c; No. 2, 26c. Veal—Fancy, 11@12c per pound. Pork—Fancy, 7@7½c per pound. Hops—1915 crop, 8@10½c per pound. Wool—Eastern Oregon, 18@25c per pound; valley, 25@26c; fall lambs' wool, 25c; mohair, Oregon, 28c. Cascares Bark—Old and new, 3½@4c per pound. Cattle—Market steady. Steers, choice, \$7.25@7.50; good, \$7@7.25; @5.75; good, \$5.60@5.25; medium, \$4.75 @5; heifers, choice, \$5.50@6; good, \$4.75@5; bulls, choice, \$3.50@4.50; stags, choice, \$5@5.25. Hogs—Market steady. Prime light, \$6.15@6.25; prime strong, weights, \$6 @6.10; good to prime mixed, \$5.65 @5.90; rough heavy packing, \$4.85@5; pigs and skips, \$5@5.25. Sheep—Market steady. Choice spring lambs, \$7.25 @7.50; common spring lambs, \$6.25@6.50; choice yearling wethers, \$6.25@6.75; old wethers, \$6@6.25; choice light ewes, \$5.25 @5.50; good ewes, \$4.75@5.25; common heavy ewes, \$4.25@4.75.

## OREGON AND WASHINGTON BID FAREWELL TO BOOZE NEW YEAR'S

Seattle, Wash.—Seattle, which under the new prohibition law, will be the largest "dry" city in the world, outside Russia, welcomed the new year and bade farewell to alcoholic liquor with noise and merriment. New Year's eve always a time of street carnivals and, even without the incentive of the good-bye to drink, the street crowds would have been enormous. Sidewalks on Second avenue, in the shopping district, were jammed to the curb until midnight with slowly moving throngs of hilarious people. All saloons did a large business except those which had declined to admit only old customers to lament the new order of things. There was no lack of beer anywhere, but improvident saloonkeepers who had sold all their whiskey and other spirituous drinks were unable to replenish their stocks at the wholesale houses, and the variety of beverages in some saloons was limited. It is estimated that in the 15 days

### COUNT FRANZ VON PAPEN

Latest photograph of Count Franz von Papen, military attache of the German embassy at Washington, whose recall was demanded by President Wilson because of his obnoxious activities. Count Franz von Papen, military attache of the German embassy at Washington, whose recall was demanded by President Wilson because of his obnoxious activities. He is shown in a portrait, wearing a military-style uniform with a high collar and epaulettes.

### Tacoma's Apple Crop Nearly Gone

Tacoma—Home-grown apples are about gone for the season, say local commission men. Supplies on hand now are going at a better price and this increases the sales of Eastern Washington apples, which were held back earlier in the season because of low prices of the home product. The crop of local apples was a good one this season and many apples were sold, the dealers and growers both benefiting. Eastern Washington apples hold steady. Grapes are reported gone for the season. The holiday trade cleaned up what supplies were on hand and dealers say the weather is too cold now to bother with such a commodity. This season saw more grapes sold on the local market than ever before. There were many varieties offered and all were of an exceptional quality that was maintained throughout the season. One of the features of the season was the way in which the grapes were packed for the holidays, some coming in cork-packed kegs and others in lug boxes. Vegetables with the exception of the root varieties are gone and there is no damage to be expected from cold weather. Shipments of tomatoes from California are becoming smaller. Sweet potatoes are arriving regularly. Notted Gem spuds are firm at \$23 a ton. Creamery Butter Drops. Tacoma—Fresh Washington creamery butter declined this week 3 cents a pound. The drop is attributed to a heavy production of second grade butter. Many of the factories in Washington that have been closed down for weeks for repairs are again in operation. The demand is steady and no further change in prices is expected soon. Fresh Oregon butter is quoted at about the same prices as the Washington product. Washington butter is offered at 29@30 cents a pound and the Oregon commodity at 28@30 cents.

### Bean Prices Highest in Years

The bean market of California is now in a peculiar condition, according to reports from that state. The prices asked are the highest in years, and the high prices are not accompanied by any scarcity of beans. Because of the increased acreage put to beans this year, together with a most bountiful crop, more beans were harvested in California than in many years. Most of this crop now is in the warehouses. According to a Sacramento bean expert, almost all the wholesalers have filled their warehouses.

### Market Oats in East

There was a fair prospect for a time that Pacific Coast oats, as well as wheat, might be marketed in the East. It was this possibility that caused the recent firmness in local markets, but with the weakening of Eastern prices, most of the gain was lost here. Prices, however, are close to the point that would make such shipments possible, and with a little advance in the East sales of the best Northwestern oats may be made for shipment there.



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