

CHARTER NEUTRAL VESSELS TO CARRY STRANDED REFUGEES

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—Secretary Garrison, as chairman of the relief committee composed of the secretaries of state, war, navy and treasury, sent out instructions to each embassy and legation to make inquiry as to available ships, and if Americans can be concentrated at open ports, immediately to charter neutral ships.

The diplomatic officers were told not to pay higher rates than those usually charged by the liners for a similar service.

All thought of sending vessels over by the United States to bring back the Americans has been abandoned. It is felt that the moving of the refugees may be greatly expedited by the charter of neutral vessels wherever they are available.

Little is definitely known as to the number of Americans desirous of returning home immediately. Secretary Garrison said today the diplomatic officers had been instructed to give preference to such tourists of small means who will be immediately embarrassed financially should their return be delayed. He expects no difficulty in transporting the refugees to the seaports.

FORAKER DEFEATED IN OHIO PRIMARIES

COLUMBUS, O., Aug. 12.—Former Senator Joseph B. Foraker this morning conceded his defeat for the republican nomination for United States senator. He telegraphed his congratulations to his successful competitor, Warren G. Harding of Marion.

Timothy S. Hogan, attorney-general, received as many votes as were cast for John J. Lentz and John L. Zimmerman for the democratic nomination for senator.

Congressman Frank B. Willis of Hardin county has defeated former State Senator David Tod of Youngstown for the republican nomination for governor. Governor Cox won the democratic renomination, defeating Congressman John J. Whiteaker of Canton by an overwhelming vote.

Congressman John H. Goeck of the old Fourth district has been defeated for re-nomination by N. W. Cunningham. Congressman Bulkey and Congressman Croser thrown into the same district by recent re-apportionment, are fighting it out with the race for the democratic nomination so close that both are claiming it.

Former Congressman Nicholas Longworth was nominated in the first district with opposition on the republican side.

STEAMER CHASED BY REVENUE CUTTER

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., Aug. 12.—The Black Diamond steamer Morwenna, which arrived here last night from Montreal on her way to Sydney and New Foundland, had an exciting experience coming down the St. Lawrence river. When off Quebec Saturday two shots were fired at her from the Levis shore.

The captain kept the Morwenna full speed ahead, not understanding the reason for the firing. When off the Island of Orleans two more shots were fired, the projectiles passing over the steamer and falling about 100 yards beyond. Shortly after the government cutter Belle Chasse came into view and ordered the Morwenna to put in at Quebec to have her clearance papers examined and indorsed.

AUSTRIA BLOCKADES MONTENEGRIN COAST

VIENNA, via London, Aug. 12, 2:25 p. m.—An effective blockade of the Montenegrin coast has been established since yesterday by the Austro-Hungarian fleet, according to an official announcement here today.

BRITISH CRUISER STILL OFF NEW YORK HARBOR

NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—Quarantine observers said that the British cruiser Suffolk was still off the entrance to New York harbor today. She was reported at intervals from 10 o'clock last night until 4 o'clock this morning patrolling the entrance to Ambrose channel. Several of the Sandy Hook pilots saw the cruiser.

PERMIT ENTRANCE OF AMERICANS TO ENGLISH PORTS

LONDON, Aug. 12, 2:15 p. m.—It was officially declared here today the only steps taken by the British government to prevent the landing of foreigners in the British Isles were those provided for by the sections of the Aliens restriction act, the object of which was to safeguard the country against aliens from countries with which Great Britain was at war.

This declaration was made after the report had been received here that Secretary of State Bryan had cabled to the American ambassador to investigate reports from American consular officers on the continent that the British government had issued strict orders forbidding the landing of foreigners on British shores until further notice during the present war crisis.

An order of council signed by the king was published in the Gazette on August 5, limiting the entry of aliens to certain ports so that they could be subjected to examination. This order was not intended in the least to keep out Americans, it was stated, and had had no effect on the landing of Americans here. It was pointed out that in the few instances when the cases of Americans had been referred to the authorities the required permission to enter always had been granted.

PROBE ADVANCES IN FOOD STUFF PRICES

CHICAGO, Aug. 12.—Any advance in food prices with the European war as a pretext, which may be put into effect in this city or the district tributary to Chicago, must justify itself in the face of an investigation by national state and city authorities, it was declared today. Representatives of the Chicago Master Butchers' association were preparing for a meeting tomorrow at which recent advances of 3 to 5 cents in meat prices will be put under the searchlight.

BRAZIL AUTHORIZES CURRENCY ISSUANCE

RIO JANEIRO, Brazil, Aug. 12.—Both chambers of the Brazilian congress approved today the emission of three hundred thousand contos (approximately \$160,000,000 nominal) of paper. Of this sum, two hundred thousand contos is destined for the payment of treasury creditors and is convertible, ten per cent of the proceeds of the customs duties being allotted for the purpose. The remaining one hundred thousand contos is intended to aid the banks which will pay six per cent interest on them and are called on to re-purchase them before December 31, 1915.

SVEABORG PREPARES FOR BOMBARDMENT

LONDON, Aug. 12, 9:30 a. m.—The Russian commander of the fortress Sveaborg, Finland, has ordered all the inhabitants of that place and Helsingfors to leave, as a battle or a bombardment is believed to be imminent.

FRANCE AND AUSTRIA CEASE SPEAKING

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—Breaking off of diplomatic relations between Austria-Hungary and France was officially reported to the state department by Ambassador Penfield at Vienna.

Dispatches to the British embassy from London say there is no fear of a shortage of coal in England. Details were not given but it is believed here England may import fuel.

SUSPECTED AMERICAN SPY IS RELEASED

HALIFAX, N. S., Aug. 12.—John T. Ferguson of Spokane, Wash., an American citizen, arrested at Mahone Bay, N. S., yesterday, suspected of being a spy, has been released. It was shown that Ferguson was employed in making maps of Nova Scotia for the government.



SERVIAN WOMEN READY TO DIE FOR THEIR COUNTRY

MINE DESTROYED GERMAN WARSHIP

LONDON, Aug. 12, 9:30 a. m.—The Copenhagen correspondent of the Daily Mail, says: "It is ascertained that the German torpedo boat destroyer reported to have been sunk by the explosion of one of her boilers off South Gedser on August 5 really was destroyed by a mine laid by a German warship."

"The Danish and Swedish lines, it is reported, ceased running as a result of information that the Germans had laid contact mines in the North Sea."

CROWN PRINCE NOT WITH REGIMENT

LONDON, Aug. 12, 9:30 a. m.—A despatch from Rotterdam says that the Maastricht correspondent of the Rotterdam Courant has been positively assured by German officers at Vise that the crown prince's regiment crossed the river Meuse some days ago without the prince.

NATIONAL LEAGUE OWNERS TALK OVER SITUATION

NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—Those National league club owners who are in the east assembled here yesterday at the call of President Tener for an informal meeting. It was said that the club owners talked informally about the general baseball situation such as players' contracts, the Federal league and the effect of the European war on attendance at games.

BRING SQUADRON FROM MEXICO

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—Secretary Daniels announced today it was his intention to leave in Mexican waters only small craft capable of patrol duty, or which might necessarily be ordered across the gulf to Dominican or Haitian waters.

It is the plan to have Rear Admiral Fletcher take command of the fleet at Hampton Roads about September 1, in succession to Rear Admiral Badger, who then retires. At the navy department it was said the movement of the ships had no connection with the European situation, although some of them might be used in safeguarding neutrality.

KAISER'S AIRSHIP FLIES OVER BRUSSELS

Brussels, Aug. 11, 10 p. m. (via London, Aug. 12, 6:50 a. m.)—An official report states that communication has been restored with Londen, a village in the province of Liege, seven miles southeast of Tirlemont. The Belgians blew up several bridges at their front in that vicinity, which gave rise to the report of an artillery engagement. No news has arrived showing that such an action has taken place.

A German aeroplane flew over Brussels today at a height of 2000 feet. Civil guards fired several shots at the airship, but they fell short.

There is no fear regarding the food supply of Belgium.

CASH BUYING STOCK EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—Although the stock exchange is closed, a way was found today to permit a limited amount of private trading in securities by brokers for cash. The method was outlined in the following notice, posted in the stock exchange:

"Members of the exchange desiring to buy securities for cash may send a list to the clearing house, giving amounts of securities wanted and prices they are willing to pay. No offers to buy at less than closing prices of July 30 will be considered. Members desiring to sell securities, but only in order to relieve necessities of themselves or customers may send a list to the clearing house. In such cases no prices under the closing will be considered."

ITALY MAINTAINS STRICT NEUTRALITY

PARIS, via London, Aug. 12, 12:20 p. m.—Tomasso Tittoni, Italian ambassador to France, issued and had posted at the Italian embassy and in the Italian quarters of Paris today a signed notice stating that:

"Italy has proclaimed and will maintain the strictest neutrality. Therefore, there is no need for Italians to be alarmed. They may continue to reside in France in full security."

Why Not Get the best smoke, Gov. Johnson, and also patronize home.

DIRECTORS OF NEW HAVEN LINES RUSH DISSOLUTION

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—Criminal prosecutions under the Sherman law in the New Haven case will not be delayed by the agreement to settle the government's civil suit without a prolonged court fight. No official statement was made today at the department of justice, but it was made clear that the action of the New Haven directors in accepting terms which permit of presenting an agreed decree for dissolution of the merger to the federal court will not stay plans for criminal proceedings as possible.

The next move will bring up the civil case in the federal court in New York City.

The option of the state of Massachusetts on the Boston and Maine stock is not affected by the agreement with the government. The sale of the stock is to be put in the hands of a board of trustees. Officials here point out that the real idea underlying the option is to head off the possibility of the Boston and Maine being sold to other railroad interests, inimical to Boston in particular, and Massachusetts in general. It is expected that the New Haven may represent to a new legislature that the option constitutes a restriction on the sale and that it should be given a free hand in selling the property at the best possible advantage within the year allotted, at the expiration of which the court would step in and order a sale.

WARD COMMANDS HOSPITAL SHIP

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—Rear Admiral Aaron Ward, retired, will take command of the Red Cross hospital ship which is to operate in European waters. He is at Aix-les-Bains, France, and today cabled Miss Mabel Boardman his acceptance of the command.

The Red Cross is now gathering funds to fit out the ship, which is to be selected and chartered by a committee headed by Surgeon General Braisted of the navy. It is expected to sail soon with a number of her hospital units to be dropped off at different ports as nearly as possible to places where their services are required.

ARCHER HUNTINGTON SAFE AT NUREMBERG

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—Mr. and Mrs. Archer M. Huntington are "safe and well in the Grand hotel at Nuremberg," according to a consular dispatch today which makes no mention of their having been arrested or released.

Portland Livestock Market
 PORTLAND, Or., Aug. 12.—Cattle—Receipts 32; market lower. Prime light, \$7.15@7.25; prime heavy, \$7@7.10; good, \$6.90@7; medium, \$6.60@6.90; heifers, \$6@6.50; cows, prime, \$5.75@6.
 Hogs—No receipts; market steady to strong.
 Sheep—Receipts 196; unchanged.

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