

OCEAN TRAFFIC TO BE PROTECTED BY DESTROYERS

Liners Prepared to Ram Submarines at Sight—Swift British and French Destroyers to Meet All Threatened Vessels and Act as Convoys—Little Effect on Foreign Commerce.

LONDON, Feb. 18.—The blockade of the United Kingdom by Germany is on. With the dawn of February 18 there went into effect the German notice warning neutral shipping to avoid British waters.

What will be the effect of this declaration will take a day or two to demonstrate. British shipping interests profess to feel no alarm, nevertheless passenger traffic from England to Holland has been tied up.

Illustrations showing British and German submarines are now being distributed to acquaint skippers of merchant vessels with the appearance of their own and hostile undersea vessels, so that they will not fire on or ram a British submarine by mistake.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Swift British and French destroyers will meet all threatened steamships flying flags of the allies and escort them into port, according to cable messages received by officials of steamship companies with offices in this city. The receipt of these messages, officials of British and French lines announced today, made them confident that the German sea decree which went into effect today, would have little effect on shipping to and from ports in England and France.

Inquiry at the big steamship lines brought forth statements that there was no intention of changing routes or sailing dates. The White Star liner Adriatic from this port with many prominent passengers is due at Liverpool, about noon on Friday. The officials of the line say she will undoubtedly be conveyed by war vessels through the war zone.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

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Circuit

Henry Fox vs. Nettie Pence et al. complaint.

G. B. Mathews vs. Arthur Nichols et al. cost bill.

S. Childers vs. L. M. Lyons, writ of attachment.

C. C. Johnson vs. Garnett-Corey Hardware Co., complaint.

Probate

Estate of Edward B. Davis, order to take testimony of subscribing witnesses to will.

Estate of Jacob F. Ritter, claim of Wayne Von Gunten filed.

Real Estate Transfers

H. A. Austry to Dora E. Austry, his wife, land in White's addition to Ashland \$1

Jessie Worman Coss et vir to Roman Catholic Archbishop of Diocese of Oregon, part of lots 11 and 12, in Wortman's addition to Medford 10

Belinda Masterson to Margaret R. Chisholm, lot 7, block 6, city of Gold Hill 700

Sidney F. Potter et ux to G. Truschel, land in secs. 36 and 22, twp. 35-4W. 10

W. A. Medley et ux to R. L. Medley, half interest in lot 6, block 3, Sunnyside addition to Medford 10

Celia V. Libbey to George H. Hersey, land in Allendale addition to Ashland 600

M. O. Womack to Alonzo D. Barrell, half interest of one-third interest in Red Chief quartz mining claim in sec. 20 twp. 40-4W. 1

A. M. Hoover to Elsie Hoover, land in donation land claims 60 and 61, twp. 37-2W. 2,500

F. M. Calkins et ux to C. E. Hooper et ux, land in sec. 25-38-2E. 1,540

Rogue River Valley Abstract Title Co. to E. F. and F. A. Rudrauff, lot in Constrict tract, Central Point 1

Portland Livestock Market

PORTLAND, Or., Feb. 18.—Livestock market unsettled. No sale of hogs or cattle up to noon. Prices appear steady at same level.

Receipts—Cattle, 21; hogs, 263; sheep, 226.

Smoke Home-Made Cigars.

Governor Johnson, Mt. Pitt and La Vista are the best.

64,000 PRISONERS TAKEN BY GERMANS IN EAST PRUSSIA

BERLIN, Feb. 18.—The German army headquarters today issued the following statement:

"On the road to Arras and Lille fighting continues for a small section of a German trench into which the enemy entered on February 16.

"The number of French prisoners taken yesterday to the northeast of Rheims has been increased. The French losses in this region especially were heavy.

"French attacks have ceased in Champagne. To the north of Perthes fighting continues. To the east of Perthes the French were repulsed, suffering heavy losses. The enemy has only in a few instances advanced to the German trenches.

"The number of prisoners reported to have been taken by us yesterday has been increased to 11 officers and 785 soldiers.

"Engagements near Plock and Racionz have been decided in favor of the Germans. In these encounters we have taken up to the present 3000 prisoners.

"There is nothing new to report from the south of the Vistula river in Poland.

"The results obtained near the east Prussia frontier are increasing in our favor. So far we have taken 64,000 prisoners, 71 guns, more than 100 machine guns, three hospital trains, air craft, 150 cars filled with ammunition, searchlights, countless cars filled with goods and horses. A further increase of booty can be expected."

SENATE MACHINE AFTER FERN HOBBS

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 18.—The big, powerful machine organization in the senate landed the official scalp of Miss Fern Hobbs, member of the industrial accident commission, today. An emergency clause was attached, so if the house concurs, the scalp may be hung to the senate belt immediately.

To accomplish this the senate passed the Schuebel workmen's compensation bill with amendments abolishing the present commission and providing for the appointment of a commissioner by the governor. The amendment provides that the law shall be administered by one commissioner, instead of three.

"The session is growing to a close and it is time to stop playing politics," said Senator Dimick. "Is it the law you want to save or is it a job for some one? The main idea seems to be to get a bill through to oust Fern Hobbs and the other two members of the commission, so you can make way for a job for someone else."

STATE TO INTERVENE IN LAND GRANT CASE

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 18.—In a resolution introduced by Senator Cusick, the attorney-general is authorized to intervene on behalf of the state in the suit now pending by the United States government in the supreme court relating to the forfeiture of the Oregon & California land grant involving more than 2,000,000 acres. It is declared if the case is decided in favor of the plaintiff the land will revert to the United States, and will be withdrawn from taxation by the state. The state tax levies for all purposes against the lands in question total \$3,223,763.97. The amount assessed to Oregon & California land grant, but not paid because of forfeiture procedure, is \$2,074,161.

TURKEY YIELDS TO DEMANDS OF GREECE

LONDON, Feb. 18.—Turkey has yielded to the demand for satisfaction made by Greece because of the insult offered an attaché of the Greek legation at Constantinople.

The director general of police at Constantinople, it is officially announced, has visited the Greek legation in that city and in the presence of all the members of the staff he formally expressed his regret at the insult offered the Greek naval attaché. He promised further that an official communication would be published in the press.

The incident is now regarded as closed.

"AN ODYSSEY OF THE NORTH" STAR FRIDAY AND SATURDAY



TENNESSEE SMITH DIES IN ARIZONA

Wm. M. (Tennessee) Smith, died Wednesday, February 17, 1915, at Tucson, Arizona, from asthma.

Mr. Smith left Medford about the first of last December for Arizona thinking to improve his health, and for a time his condition was very much improved, so much so that he went some distance from Tucson and filed on a homestead, upon which he was supposed by relatives in this city to be living. No word of his serious illness had been received here.

Deceased moved here from Tennessee about thirty years ago. He lived for a number of years on a ranch about five miles south of Medford. A few years ago he sold his farm and moved to Medford where he built several buildings, among them being the Smith apartment house, now Colonial Flats, on South Riverside.

Deceased leaves four sons and two daughters. Two of the sons and one daughter reside in Medford, one of the sons being Ernest Smith, a pharmacist in the West Side Pharmacy. One of the daughters is a school teacher and is teaching near Medford. Two sons live in Portland and another daughter is now in a hospital in Seattle.

The remains will be brought to Medford for burial.

PASSENGER TRAFFIC TO HOLLAND TIED UP

LONDON, Feb. 18.—The immediate effect of the German submarine blockade of the British Isles, beginning today, was to tie up all passenger traffic from England to Holland. The Scandinavian lines, however, have not as yet been affected.

Both the Zealand and the Batavier lines have cancelled all passenger service to Holland, although they are continuing their freight and mail traffic. The Wilson line to Scandinavian ports is running as usual.

IOWA HOUSE REPEALS OLD MULCT LAW

DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 18.—The Iowa house of representatives today passed the Clarkson bill, which repeals the mulct law, effective January 1, 1916, by a vote of 79 to 29. The measure already has passed the senate and will no go to the governor, who has indicated his intention of signing it. Under its provisions Iowa will return to statewide statutory prohibition.

ODYSSEY OF NORTH AT STAR FRIDAY

"An Odyssey of the North," by Jack London, made into a feature film by Bosworth, Inc., tells a story of unusual intensity and interest at the Star Friday and Saturday.

One bitter night in the Klondike, a frost-bitten figure stumbles to Cal Galt's door. It is "Naass," an Eskimo, whom Cal had befriended months before, and who had returned in spite of incredible suffering, to repay. As he tells his story we witness thrilling scenes of love and wrong, of never-ceasing search and long-delayed vengeance.

"Naass" and "Unga" are the last descendants of two white men, shipwrecked at an Eskimo village. On the day of their wedding potlach Unga, a beautiful girl, is stolen by Axel, a sea captain. He carries her away on his ship. Never forgetting the last appeal in her eyes, Naass, chief of the village, follows. They are rich and travel fast, while he is very poor, but, with indomitable energy he goes from city to city, from country to country, never faltering, never daunted and never doubting Unga's need of him.

"The long search ends in the Klondike, but he does not reveal his identity until Axel lies dying at his feet, and Unga, stirred by some faint memory of the past, asks, "Who are you?"

It is a story of extraordinary poetic feeling and sympathy, in spite of the grim strength of its dramatic situations, and is a masterpiece, both in fact and in form, such as is seldom offered to the public. Mr. Bosworth's interpretation of "Naass" brings to the screen an unusual figure, portrayed with all the gripping strength and emotional appeal this actor has so long been master of.

HOUSE SAVES LIFE OF CONSERVATIVE BOARD

SALEM, Or., Feb. 18.—After protests against action by the senate in passing the Dimick bill, S. B. 75, designed to abolish the Oregon conservation commission, the house last night summarily killed the measure with only three favorable votes.

Representative Hinkle, chairman of the irrigation committee, protested

that the Dimick bill is a direct insult to a group of men and women who have devoted their time and private means toward the public good, with no rewards in salary or emoluments and with only the interest of the state's development at heart. He declared the work would go on, whether the state aids it or not, and that because the movement is a worthy one.

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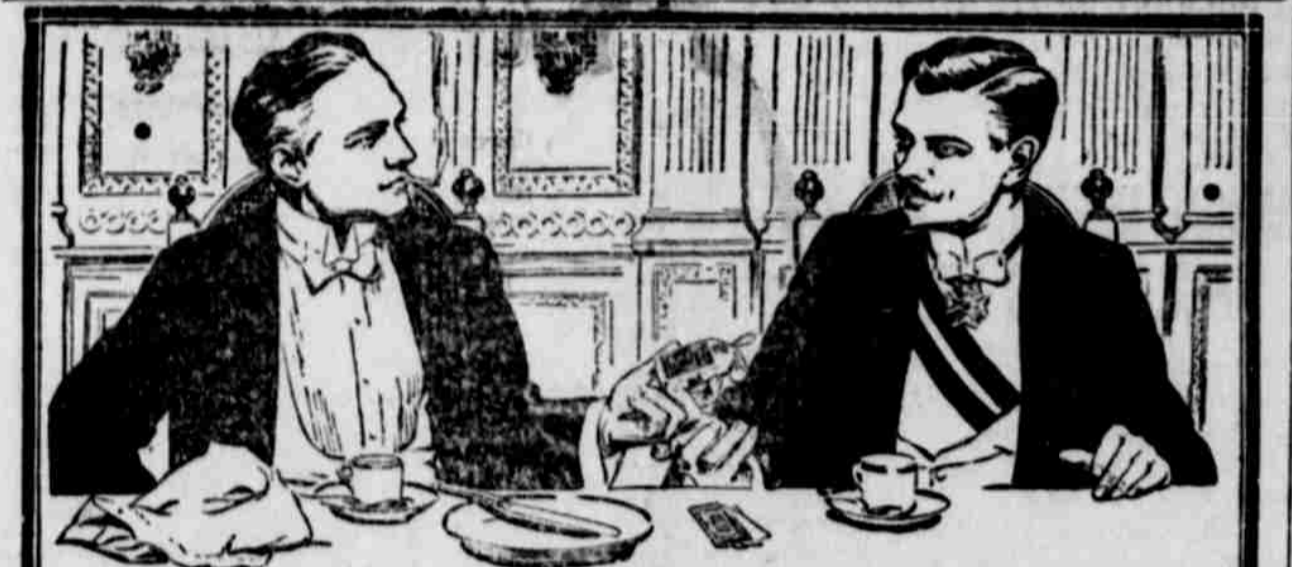
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