

GERMAN SEA ROVER DOCKSAT NEWPORT NEWS

Auxiliary Cruiser Prince Eitel Friedrich, Which Has Been Preying on Allies' Commerce, Chased into an American Port—Wants Repairs, Coal and Provisions.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., March 10.—The German auxiliary cruiser Prince Eitel Friedrich, another of the elusive German sea rovers, which have been hindering commerce of the allies on the seven seas, slipped into port here early today presumably eluding the British and French cruisers along the coast, in need of repairs, coal and provisions for her crew and with more than 300 prisoners taken from prizes.

Last night after dark the German ship appeared off Cape Henry but did not enter until after daylight, when she passed quarantine and dropped anchor at this port. All of her officers preserved the strictest silence. Her captain despatched a message telling of his arrival to the German embassy in Washington. The United States coast guard ship Onondaga went alongside to take up her watch to preserve the neutrality of the United States until officials at Washington decided what shall be done with the Prinz Eitel Friedrich.

Chased by Cruiser Scared by the red rust and salt of her months at sea, the German auxiliary was painted white on one side and black on the other. It was reported in marine circles that the Eitel Friedrich has been chased to the 3-mile limit by a British cruiser, but as the German captain had sealed the lips of his officers, it was not confirmed.

Marine circles were startled when the long, slick ship, easily distinguishable by the lines of a North German Lloyd liner, steamed up the bay and into Hampton Roads.

Within an hour after the Prinz Eitel had arrived in Hampton Roads, a request was made to the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock company for information whether the concern could at once begin work on repairs. The shipbuilding company immediately communicated the request to the navy department at Washington and asked whether the United States would have any objection.

Rear Admiral Beatty, commanding the Norfolk navy yard, after reporting the arrival of the German cruiser, received instructions from Secretary Daniels to make an investigation and send him a full report.

Started From China The auxiliary cruiser Prinz Eitel Friedrich started out on her career as a warship from Tsing Tau. She formerly was a regular liner of the North German Lloyd line. She reached Tsing Tau after the outbreak of hostilities and the German marine authorities at that port equipped her with naval guns and turned her into an auxiliary cruiser.

She sailed from Tsing Tau before the Japanese attack on that port and (Continued on page two.)

MACKAY LEASES GARDINER ISLAND

NEW YORK, March 10.—Under a long-term lease with a purchase option, Clarence H. Mackay, president of the Commercial Cable company, it was announced today, had come into possession of Gardiner's island, consisting of 3000 acres, off the easterly end of Long Island, which he will use as a shooting preserve.

The island has been in the possession of the Gardiner family since 1639. "One large black dog, one gun, some powder and shot, some rum and a few Dutch blankets, the value of five pounds sterling," was the price originally paid for the island, according to records, by Lyon Gardiner, who made the deal with Wyandanch, chief of the Manhanketts of Long Island.

MORE TURKISH FORTS SILENCED BY ALLIES' SHIPS

Warships Report Additional Progress in Dardanelles—German Invaders of Poland Retreat Close to Border—Attack on Ossowitz Continues—Violent Struggle in Argonne.

LONDON, March 10.—Operations of the allied fleet in the Dardanelles stopped yesterday (Tuesday morning) by unfavorable weather conditions, were resumed vigorously in the afternoon. The warships are reported to have made additional progress in the narrows silencing Turkish batteries on the heights of Renqui, the fire from which had proved troublesome to the fleet in its maneuvers.

It is asserted at Petrograd that the German forces, which invaded Northern Poland following the defeat of the Russians in East Prussia, have now retreated close to the border, except in a few sections of the front. The German attack on the fortress of Ossowitz is being continued, notwithstanding the danger of a Russian flanking movement. The Germans are concentrating their efforts in the endeavor to break through the Russian fortified line at this point.

Minor victories over the Turkish forces which recently have become active in Northwestern Persia are described in a message from Tiflis. The Russians have forced back the Turks, taking several villages. A battle of unusual violence, although probably not engaging large numbers of troops, is in progress in the Argonne. After being twice expelled from trenches they captured from the French, the Germans returned a third time to the attack, in which at last reports they were still engaged. With this exception there were no engagements of consequence on the front yesterday.

SHELL FRAGMENT STRIKES FEET OF FRENCH ADMIRAL

PARIS, March 10.—A fragment of a Turkish shell fell yesterday (Tuesday) at the feet of Rear Admiral Guepratte, commander of the French division operating with the allied fleet in the Dardanelles, as he was directing the operations of the battleship Suffren, which had executed a daring maneuver by penetrating the extreme limit of the mine fields, says a Tenedos dispatch to the Petit Parisien. Several shells are reported to have struck the warship, but the correspondent makes no mention of her having been damaged.

After yesterday's operations, the Tenedos dispatch says, the crew of the battleship Gaulois was warmly praised by Vice-Admiral Carden, the British commander, for the assistance lent in the reduction of the Dardanelles redoubt. Powerful Turkish batteries were silenced by the Gaulois, which was herself struck by two six-inch shells, although the damage done is declared to have been insignificant.

Operations of the French warships have been delayed for a few hours by the necessity of taking aboard coal and ammunition.

AUSTRIANS BUILDING AT FAIR DEDICATED

SAN FRANCISCO, March 10.—Australia's building at the Panama-Pacific exposition was dedicated today with ceremonies that were enlivened by demonstrations of boomerang throwing and the use of the Australian stock whip. Alfred Deakin, three-time prime minister of Australia and president of the royal commission to the exposition, made the principal address.

SUBMARINE U-12 SUNK BY BRITISH BUT CREW SAVED

Under-Sea Raider Ramm'd by Torpedo-Boat Destroyer—Is Seventh German Submarine to Be Destroyed Since Beginning of the War—Crew Deprived of Privileges.

LONDON, March 10.—The German submarine U-12 has been sunk to the bottom, according to a statement issued today by the British admiralty. The submarine, according to the official announcement, was rammed today by the British torpedo boat destroyer Ariel. It went to the bottom. The members of the submarine's crew surrendered and were saved.

Location a Secret The submarine U-20 was built in 1913. She had a displacement of 840 tons and a speed of 17 knots on the surface and 12 knots submerged. She was equipped with three torpedoes. The location of the sinking of the submarine is not disclosed in the admiralty announcement.

The captured crew will be deprived of all special privileges, as was done in the case of the men on board the U-8, and they will be held for trial in connection with the sinking of merchant vessels.

The U-20 is probably the submarine which yesterday sunk the British steamer Blackwood.

Seventh Boat Lost The loss of the U-20 makes the seventh German submarine destroyed since the beginning of the war, according to a statement given out officially in London. These boats are U-15, sunk by the British Birmingham in August; U-18 rammed and sunk by a British patrol boat November 23, and three unidentified submarines officially declared lost on October 26, October 30 and February 28. The sixth submarine destroyed was the U-8, which was sunk off Dover March 4.

CALIFORNIA TO PURCHASE LINE OF WESTERN PACIFIC

SACRAMENTO, Cal., March 10.—Governor Johnson has initiated a movement for the purchase of the Western Pacific railroad, now in the hands of receivers by the state of California, it was announced today in the governor's office.

The announcement was made after Governor Johnson had held a conference with Rudolph Spreckels, financier, from whom the original suggestion for government ownership of the Western Pacific came, and with Chas. S. Wheeler of San Francisco, an attorney who has appeared for the Western Pacific as counsel in some special cases.

"At a conference with Spreckels and Mr. Wheeler this morning a plan was discussed and adopted for the state of California to purchase the Western Pacific railroad," said Governor Johnson. "So far as the details are concerned that is a matter that will follow soon. We shall proceed at once to work them out. But we decided that the movement for the purchase of the railroad should commence at once. It is my idea that with California owning and operating a great trans-continental railroad the state will always be assured of commercial freedom."

SEVERAL ITALIAN WARSHIPS SAIL FOR DARDANELLES

GENEVA, via Paris, March 10.—The Tribune says it has learned from Vienna that several Italian warships have put to sea, probably bound for the Dardanelles.

NEW ZEPPELIN TRIED OUT OVER LAKE CONSTANCE

BERNE, via Paris, March 10.—A new Zeppelin which is now being given trials over Lake Constance, will be the ninth to leave Friedrichshafen since the war began.

No New Game Warden

(By W. L. Finley, State Game Warden.)

Arthur S. Hubbard was one of the best wardens in the service of the state. He was appointed by me in 1911 and had been continuously in the service of the state ever since. His good name as an officer of the law was maligned; he was misquoted by his enemies and convicted by the stories of people who have a hatred for game laws and game law enforcement.

Time and time again Hubbard, as an officer, assisted other peace officers of the county in the enforcement of laws, but in this case when he was shot in the performance of his duties, Sheriff Singler and his deputies not only did not help the state in this case, but they actively assisted the attorney who was trying to free Martin. I am surprised that the sheriff, who is paid to bring law violators to justice, should openly assist the defense instead of helping the district attorney.

Hubbard was known as an officer of the law by Martin. He was performing his duty as an officer when he walked toward Martin to place him under arrest. He had the venison on his horse taken from Martin's cabin. Martin resisted arrest to the extent of killing Hubbard, and it is an outrage upon the law-abiding people of Jackson county to free a man like Martin after he threatened time and time again to kill Hubbard, and finally made good in his threats.

I do not intend to appoint another deputy game warden in Jackson county. I REGARD THE VALUE OF HUMAN LIFE MORE HIGHLY THAN THE ENFORCEMENT OF GAME LAWS. IF NECESSARY, WE CAN DO WITHOUT GAME RATHER THAN TO LEAVE A HOME WITHOUT A FATHER AND MAKE ORPHANS OF HELPLESS CHILDREN.

SURPRISE CAUSED BY SINKING OF AMERICAN SHIP

WASHINGTON, March 10.—The news of the sinking of the American sailing ship William P. Frye in the south Atlantic on January 27 by the Prinz Eitel Friedrich caused a sensation in official and diplomatic quarters. Customs Collector Hamilton at Norfolk forwarded to the treasury department a report of his conversation with Surgeon Knoch of the Prinz Eitel, and it was immediately communicated to officials at the state department.

Without having a full report and some consideration of the subject, officials reserved their comment. It is a well established principle of international law, however, that the Prinz Eitel had no right to destroy the Frye if she were carrying a non-tradable cargo, such as wheat, with which she sailed from Seattle. If she were carrying contraband of war, the Eitel had a right to seize her and probably under certain circumstances the law of military necessity warrants the destruction of such a ship and compels restitution to the owners.

The Frye carried a policy for \$11,500 on her hull with the government war risk insurance bureau, in addition to other insurance written by private companies. The figures at the government bureau gave the value of the Frye at about \$90,000.

ILLINOIS GOVERNOR WOULD STOP HANGING

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., March 10.—Abolition of capital punishment is urged in a special message sent to the legislature today by Governor Edward F. Dunne. The message says capital punishment is not shown to be a deterrent for crime and that statistics tend to show that states having a capital punishment law rank as a rule among the states having the greatest percentage of homicide.

BARKING OF DOG SAVES BLIND MAN FROM FLAMES

ALBANY, Or., March 10.—Six persons narrowly escaped death in a fire early today that destroyed the home of R. Rogoway. Their escape was due to the barking of a pet dog, which ran to the room of Rogoway, who is blind, and awakened him and his wife. Rogoway was painfully, but not fatally, burned. His wife and seven-year-old granddaughter and three men boarders were uninjured.

DECLARE OREGON TRIED TO RELIEVE DISTRESS OF POOR

VERA CRUZ, March 10.—A declaration that General Obregon had acted in good faith in his efforts to relieve the sufferings of the poor in Mexico City and a denial of charges that he had prevented the distribution of food supplies or otherwise acted in a way calculated to complicate the situation, is the substance of a statement prepared by Alberto J. Pani, head of the National Railways, for Charles A. Douglass, General Carranza's Washington attorney, who is now here. It is understood that this statement will be included in one which is to be delivered to the state department at Washington.

Pani asserted that General Obregon was idealized by the poor of Mexico City and conditions there which have aroused protests were due, not to him, but to the persistent and adroit opposition of the wealthy residents, instituted with the object of bringing Obregon and the constitutionalist cause into disrepute.

DRYS GAIN THIRTY TOWNS IN MINNESOTA

ST. PAUL, Minn., March 10.—Virtually complete returns from the municipal elections held in about 200 towns and cities of Minnesota, show that the anti-saloon forces have been successful in more than thirty towns previously in the wet columns. Several towns that had been without saloons, however, went over to the wet side, making the division of towns that voted yesterday 102 wet and 96 dry. Rochester, the largest town voting on the issue, remained with the wets.

THIRTY TURK GUNS DESTROYED BY SHELLS

LONDON, March 10.—A Central News dispatch from Athens says that during the bombardment of the Dardanelles on Monday thirty guns mounted on motor trucks were destroyed by the fire of the warships.

WILSON AWAITS CARRANZA REPLY BEFORE ACTION

Conflicting News Regarding Obregon's Evacuation of Capital—Daniels Asserts Navy Never Had Such a Powerful Fleet Assembled for Active Service as Now.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—A telegram from the British charge in Mexico City, dated yesterday and received today, says:

"In my opinion the effect of the American note to Carranza and Obregon has been extremely good. It is, however, absolutely necessary that immediate steps be taken for sending supplies of food and forage to the capital."

"Whatever party is in power in Mexico City and Vera Cruz, it is now plain that the best means to prevent the recurrence of such a situation as now exists would be to insist absolutely on the local troops maintaining inviolate the railway communication between Mexico City and Vera Cruz."

WASHINGTON, March 10.—Developments in the Mexican situation today were awaiting General Carranza's answer to the American note demanding an improvement of conditions in Mexico City. There were indications that the reply would be favorable.

Conflicting dispatches as to the evacuation of Mexico City during the last twenty-four hours caused much doubt. A dispatch from Vera Cruz yesterday at 10 a. m. indicated General Obregon was still in control. The Villa agency had dispatches from Juarez saying Obregon's troops evacuated yesterday and were replaced by Zapata troops.

No changes were made in the naval orders which are sending the battleship Georgia and the armored cruiser Washington to Vera Cruz to reinforce the fleet of small craft there.

Secretary Daniels issued today a statement on the condition of the Atlantic fleet and its auxiliary now maneuvering in Mexican gulf and Caribbean waters. It was considered significant by some observers of the Mexican situation and follows:

"Never before in the history of our navy has such a powerful fleet been assembled for active service, maneuvering and target practice, with guns and torpedoes as that based on Guantanamo, Cuba, for the last two months under the command of Rear-Admiral Fletcher, commander in chief of the Atlantic fleet. This force now consists of nineteen battleships and twenty destroyers, with a flagship and a tender.

Based also on Guantanamo Bay is the cruiser squadron, consisting of two armored cruisers and seven light cruisers and gunboats, the various units of which have been operating in the vicinity of Haiti, Santo Domingo and the east coast of Mexico.

The vessels comprising this fleet are ready for any service and are accompanied by repair ships, supply ships and fuel ships, carrying coal, oil and supplies for an extended period.

At Key West the reserve torpedo flotilla, consisting of ten destroyers and a tender, have been engaged in extended operations.

At Pensacola, six submarines with four tenders have been engaged in maneuvers, and in joint operation with aircraft and with the San Francisco, a mine layer.

Results of the extended operations in which the above-mentioned vessels to the number of 83 are engaged, cannot fail to be of great help to the navy."

WILLARD-JOHNSON FIGHT NOT SETTLED

EL PASO, Tex., March 10.—Jess Willard arrived here today from Los Angeles and said that so far as he was concerned his match with John Johnson at Havana had not been arranged definitely. The matter of finances has not been justified to his satisfaction, it was learned.

THAW TO TAKE WITNESS STAND IN OWN BEHALF

Prosecution Tries to Prove Celebrated Defendant of Unsound Mind When He Tried to Escape—Thaw Always Neatly Dressed, Never Violent and a Student of Literature.

NEW YORK, March 10.—Harry K. Thaw will take the stand in his own behalf in his trial with five co-defendants charged with conspiracy, according to announcement today by his attorneys. He will tell the story of his escape from Matteawan, they said. In this way, they believe, he will materially aid the fight they are making to establish his sanity.

Each of the witnesses placed upon the stand today by the state, upon cross examination was asked questions designed to indicate to the jury that the slayer of Stanford White was of sound mind at the time of his escape. Although none of the witnesses was asked directly whether he considered Thaw son, each was questioned closely about Thaw's personal appearance, his manner of discussing current topics and of occupying his spare moments.

Employees Testify The witnesses, most of them employees at the hospital, agreed that Thaw was always neatly dressed; that he never was violent and that he read many text books on various subjects and current novels.

The state was expected to complete its case late today. The first witness was Howard Barnum, gatekeeper at Matteawan. Barnum told of opening the gate to admit a milkman. Barnum's story of how Thaw dashed through the gate and jumped into an automobile, outside which sped away in a cloud of dust, was identical with the one he told the police on the day Thaw fled. On cross examination the witness said he knew Thaw well and had talked with him hundreds of times. Thaw had never exhibited a bad temper, he said.

Admits Bewilderment After the witness had been asked by John B. Stanchfield, chief of Thaw's legal staff, whether he was "bewildered" when he saw Thaw dash away and the witness had answered "yes," Mr. Stanchfield said: "Well, it is your opinion then that as between you and Thaw, you were the more crazy at that time."

An objection by the prosecution was held while the spectators roared with laughter. James Hickey, driver of the milk wagon which was entering the gate at Matteawan when Thaw escaped gave testimony corroborating that of Barnum.

Patrick Buckley, keeper of the store room in Matteawan where Thaw worked principally at typewriting reports, also gave corroborative testimony.

RUSSIANS FORCE TURKS IN PERSIA

TIFLIS, Trans-Caucasia, Tuesday March 10.—The Turkish forces and the Kurds, who have been concentrated in the district of Khof, in northwestern Persia are slowly being forced by the Russians to retreat to the southward. Russian forces already have come into possession of several villages in which Turkish troops had been quartered. Information reaching here from the south is that a large number of Armenians, who remain in Urmiah (a city in Persian Armenia, 60 miles from Tabriz) were placed under the protection of the American consular officials. There is a consulate at Tabriz. Two thousand Armenians were locked in a church at Urmiah for safety. They were ill supplied with food and many died from starvation and disease.

ENGLISH AVIATOR FALLS INTO SEA AND IS KILLED

LONDON, March 10.—Flight Sub-Lieutenant Shepherd of the royal navy fell into the sea with a biplane today while scouting off Eastbourne and was killed.