

UNPRECEDENTED STORM EAST COAST DOMINION LINER OFF N. Y., SINKING

PRINCESS ANNE WITH OVER 100 PEOPLE ABOARD RUNS AGROUND NEAR ROCKAWAY

Big Boat Taking Water Rapidly and Rescue Efforts in High Seas Fail—
Captain Reported Injured—Coast Guard Boat Battered to Pieces—
Blizzard of Two Days Reaches Climax—Railroads and Shipping Paralyzed—
Millions of Dollars of Property Destroyed—Many People Injured—
Houses at Atlantic City Smashed and Washed into Sea—
Shortage of Coal Adds to Suffering—Many Steamers Caught in Ice
Jams—City Marooned.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Communication between the Princess Anne and shore wireless stations will soon fall owing to lack of battery, a message from the ship indicated at 2 p. m.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Later reports from the stranded ship were that she was taking water rapidly and the captain requested that passengers and crew be taken off before night.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—The steamship Princess Anne, of the Old Dominion line carrying 32 passengers and a crew of 72 from Norfolk, Va., to New York, ran aground one mile off the coast at Rockaway Point on Long Island in a heavy storm early today and sent out S. O. S. calls for assistance. Tugs from army transport headquarters at Hoboken, wrecking tugs and a police patrol boat went to the aid of the stranded vessel.

Wireless reports said that Captain Seay of the Princess Anne had been seriously injured. The vessel's position was considered serious on account of the gale that had lashed the coast for the past two days.

Members of the coast guard at Rockaway Beach endeavored to launch a boat to go to the steamer but gave up the attempt when giant rollers nearly battered the craft to pieces.

In response to a wireless inquiry from police headquarters the Princess Anne reported that she was not in imminent danger of breaking up. She requested however, that her passengers be taken off by tugs as soon as possible.

Destruction Enormous
NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—The gale and unusually high tides which have lashed the North Atlantic coast for the last two days accompanied by a blizzard which blanketed most of the territory with snow and ice, were gradually subsiding early today, leaving a trail of destruction and suffering in their wake.

Estimates of the property damage run well beyond the two million dollar mark. A number of vessels were reported in distress and several Long Island sound steamers were prisoners in ice jams. The wireless station at New York police headquarters early today had received messages from 39 ships at sea asking for the location.

Points along the New Jersey coast especially Atlantic City and Seabright were hardest hit. Houses were washed in to the sea and towns partially inundated. Resorts along the Long Island shore near New York also were heavily damaged.

Railroad traffic improved during

the morning although trains were still behind time.

New York was slow to recover from the blow dealt by the storm king. Traffic conditions were still chaotic early today and the streets piled high with snow drifts.

The shortage of coal caused considerable apprehension. Traction companies said they had only a few days' supply on hand and that they would be forced to suspend operations unless their bunkers were speedily replenished. Barges laden with coal are tied up at Jersey points by ice flows.

Railroads Paralyzed
WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Another 24 hours of snow and high wind along the Atlantic coast from Maryland to Maine was forecast today by the weather department.

The peak of the storm is now in New England where the heaviest fall of the snow in the east, this winter, 20 inches, was recorded in places. The fall continued general from the Canadian border to central Virginia and covered a path as far west as the upper Ohio valley. Damage resulting from the storm has been heavy. High tides, heavy seas and high winds have wrought havoc at Atlantic coast resorts from Carolina to New England, places damaged including Atlantic City, Coney Island, Ocean City, Maryland, Ocean View and Backreech Beach, Va., and Wrightsville Beach, N. C.

Shipping also has suffered severely, many vessels being in distress all along the coast.

Railroad traffic has been seriously interfered with, reports to the railroad administration showing passenger trains running far behind schedule in many sections and in many sections freight trains blocked. There has been no marked cold at any point in the storm area.

Many People Injured
City Island in Long Island Sound which is part of New York City, was marooned. Deep drifts compelled most of the 2,500 residents to stay at home.

Lieutenant Colonel Frederick Davidson, stationed at Governor's Island, was dangerously injured when he was struck by a falling glass awning in front of the playhouse in West 48th street. Both his legs were broken and it is feared that his skull was fractured. Many persons have been injured by falling signs and similar devices broken from fastenings by weight of the snow.

PARIS, Feb. 6.—The Prince of Wales has been offered the presidency of the International Boxing union. He has reserved his decision.

WHISKY BROUGHT INTO PORTLAND BY AIRPLANE, \$300 PER CASE

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 6.—Belief was expressed here today by the police that whiskey is being brought into Portland by airplane from Canada, for sale at prices ranging as high as \$300 a case. Liquor smugglers, landing near the city at night, according to this theory, have been met by accomplices who delivered the whiskey to purchasers. It was pointed out that a number of Portland residents reported hearing an airplane over the city and seeing a moving light in the sky last Monday night. The police declared they have information that much Canadian whiskey has been sold here recently.

The up-to-date smugglers, according to one report, probably are using a seaplane, having a greater carrying capacity than the ordinary airplane and make their landings along the sloughs of the Willamette and Columbia rivers near Portland.



"OLD TIMER, YOU'RE A SIGHT"

CHICAGO ENVELOPED ALL DAY IN DARKNESS, LIGHTS KEPT BURNING

CHICAGO, Feb. 6.—The darkness of night has enveloped Chicago since the sun set Thursday evening. At noon today the downtown district was practically as black as last night, the sun's efforts to pierce the heavy veil of smoke which hung over the city being unavailing.

The weather bureau explained that the barometric pressure was so heavy that the smoke did not rise to its accustomed heights as it should. Automobiles and street cars, like office buildings and homes, had to keep all lights burning, though the street lights were turned off at the regular hour in the morning. Weather observers said the day was the darkest in their memory.

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DR. FORD LEAVES FAITH TO HEIRS

OREGON CITY, Ore., Feb. 6.—The will of the late Rev. T. B. Ford, former superintendent of the Salem district of the Methodist Episcopal church was filed for probate today. The will provides for his just debts and funeral expenses and directs that his funeral services be simple and makes the following bequest: "I hereby bequeath my Christian faith in God Almighty, the most precious and priceless possession which I have or any person can have, to my beloved children, and I commend them to the saving power of the Lord Jesus Christ, whose faithful servant I have been and still am, world without end."

Capetown Airplane at Rome
ROME, Feb. 5.—A British government airplane which is engaged in the competition between British aviators in the London-to-Capetown flight, arrived here this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

ISSUE CALL LABOR, 1920 CAMPAIGN

General Committee A. F. of L. Decides Upon Most Aggressive Political Campaign in History—All Candidates to Be Scrutinized as to Labor Attitude—Hope to Control 4,000,000 Votes—Even Members of State Legislatures to Be Watched.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Plans for the most aggressive and general political campaign ever waged by the American Federation of Labor were formulated at a meeting here today of a general committee composed of the executive council and the heads of all departments of the federation.

It was and officially that the campaign to be conducted in connection with the general elections in November not only would be aimed at members of congress, or candidates for, unfavorable to organized labor, but also at indirectly candidates for president, governors and members of state legislatures.

Every trade and craft affiliated with the Federation will be called upon to take up the fighting in every section of the country and to exert every effort to elect only such public officials as are favorable to the principles of organized labor. It was said that a vast army of organizers and workers would be recruited for the campaign.

PRESIDENT APPOINT'S REPUBLICAN TO THE U. S. SHIPPING BOARD

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Louis Titus, the San Francisco attorney who was nominated to the shipping board by President Wilson today, has practiced in San Francisco and Washington, D. C., for 25 years. He is a vice president of the Skinner and Eddy Shipbuilding company of Seattle. He announced he would resign this position upon official receipt of his appointment to the shipping board.

Titus was a member of the first industrial conference called in Washington recently.

Mr. Titus is a republican. Former Governor Henry C. Stuart of Virginia was today nominated as a member of the interstate commerce commission to succeed Charles S. Harlin of Indiana, whose term has expired.

O. A. C.-WASHINGTON GAME CALLED OFF

SEATTLE, Feb. 6.—Football eleven of the University of Washington and the Oregon Agricultural college probably will not meet here October 23, 1920, as scheduled. Darwin McInnest, graduate manager of the Seattle institution said today. The break came as the result of a failure to report an agreement regarding division of the receipts.

DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE TO BE AT THE PALACE HOTEL

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 6.—The democratic national committee has reserved 170 rooms at the Palace hotel as its headquarters and the headquarters of the women's committee and the large press associations during the national convention, according to word received from Homer S. Cummings.

GERMANY WILL GIVE UP NATIONALS IF THEY'RE TRIED NEUTRAL COURT

Unofficially Reported Germany Will Agree to Surrender War Criminals If They Are Tried in Neutral Country—Switzerland Reported Willing to Arrange Tribunal—Germany a Unit in Refusing Allied Demand—Only Crime of Men Wanted Declared to Be Loyalty to Fatherland—Some Officials Wanted Who Took No Active Part in War—France Declares Treaty of Versailles Is at Issue—If One Provision Disregarded All May Be.

BERLIN, Feb. 6.—The German government probably will be willing to surrender its nationals charged with war crimes to be tried by a neutral tribunal if the entente will agree, says the National Zeitung. The Swiss government, the newspaper says, has declared its readiness to arrange such a tribunal.

PARIS, Feb. 6.—Consideration of the new note to be sent to Germany as a result of the failure of her representative here to transmit the list of accused Germans demanded for extradition by the allies was deferred by the council of ambassadors today until evening because Lord Birkenhead, the British lord high chancellor, and Sir Gordon Hewart, the attorney general, were delayed in their journey from London by fog in the English channel.

GENEVA, Feb. 6.—Swiss federal authorities it is reported, will follow the precedent set by Holland in dealing with demands from the allies for the extradition of Germans who are in this country. Former Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria as well as several minor officers on the extradition list are now in Switzerland.

Only Duty to Fatherland
BERLIN, Feb. 6.—Field Marshal von Buelow told the Lokal Anzeiger today that Germans whose names are on the list of those whose extradition is demanded by the allies "only did their duty to the fatherland," and that extradition was ignominy to which "no German would voluntarily submit."

The field marshal declared he would never place himself at the disposal of the entente nations and expressed the belief that most of the commanders named in the allied list would take the same view.

It is understood that meetings of army and navy commanders were held on January 7 and it was unanimously concluded that evasion of the extradition clause of the Versailles treaty was entirely compatible with German honor and that no one must voluntarily surrender. Legal objections should be lodged against orders for the arrest of any of the commanders, it was decided at these meetings.

The covering note and the official list has not been received here and the unofficial list does not afford a

STOCK MARKET RALLIES IN WILD CLOSING HOUR, EXCHANGE EASIER

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—The stock market today had one of the wildest closing hours in months with a big rally after heavy declines earlier in the day. The easing of call money from 17 to 19 per cent caused advances of 2 to 12 points earlier in the day. In some instances losses were fully recovered. United States Steel common rebounded above par after selling at 97 1/2.

PARIS, Thursday, Feb. 5.—Proposals that an international financial conference be called immediately to consider measures for the relief of the international exchange situation find support in French government circles. The plan has been suggested by Great Britain and is said to be the outgrowth of the recent bankers conference at Amsterdam. Eventual participation by the United States in such a conference is expected by French financiers. French opinion generally is not misled by theories which attribute the exchange situation to speculation and other causes.