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TESTIMONY IS TAKEN IN CONSPIRACY CASE

ALLEGED THAT GERMAN NAVAL ATTACHE TOOK LEADING PART

COAL AND SUPPLY GERMAN WARSHIPS

Captain Boy-Ed Alleged to Have Personally Directed Expenditure of Money.

New York, Nov. 23.—Testimony to show that Captain K. Boy-Ed, the German naval attaché at Washington, took the leading part in the alleged conspiracy of steamship officials to coal and supply German warships from the United States was adduced in the federal court here this afternoon in the trial of Dr. Karl Buecz, Adolph Hachmeister, George Ketter and Joseph Pehninghaus, officers of the Hamburg-American line.

One witness, Gustave B. Kulenkampf, a German importer, swore that Captain Boy-Ed personally directed the expenditure of approximately \$750,000, which, unsolicited and unexpected had been deposited to the witness' credit in a New York bank in September 1914. The money, he said, was distributed to the steamship lines.

Kulenkampf told of being summoned to the office of the Hamburg-American line in August, 1914, and meeting several officials, including some of the defendants in the present action. They told him, he said, that they wanted him to clear two steamers, the Lorenzo and the Berwind, loaded with coal, saying that they did not wish the Hamburg-American line to appear in the transactions.

Kulenkampf cleared the vessels with manifests calling for his brother in Buenos Aires as consignee. The United States district attorney in opening the case for the government to show the conspirators said that the defendants had "rode rough shod over the laws and treaties of the United States."

The defendant's counsel offered to concede charges involving twelve steamers, but denied the conspiracy and fraud charges.

OPENING SPEECH FOR PROSECUTION

New York, Nov. 23.—Opening address for the government in the trial of Karl Buecz, managing director and employe of the Hamburg-American line on charges of conspiracy to violate customs laws in sending supply ships to meet German warships, Attorney Wood charged that Captain Boy-Ed, naval attaché of the German embassy, directed the chartering and loading of some of the vessels.

It is said \$75,000 were spent under his direction here for the relief of German warships. He expects to show the conspiracy extended from New York to Philadelphia, San Francisco and New Orleans, and claims Paenz employed a man named Kulenkampf to clear two vessels in a hurry from Philadelphia immediately after the war opened. One, the Berwind, loaded with coal bought from Berwind Coal Co. Mr. Berwind, of the coal company refused to clear the vessel so Kulenkampf did the work.

Kulenkampf soon afterward received three quarters of a million dollars from somewhere in Germany, and put the money in a New York bank.

Captain Boy-Ed soon came and told Kulenkampf he would direct the expenditure. Part of the money was spent in the charter and supply of three ships with coal and provisions. Part was used by one vessel, sixteen or seventeen ships were used.

PORTER CHARLTON FREE

American Said to Be in Good Health and Spirits

Come Italy, Nov. 23.—Porter Charlton, the American recently convicted of murdering his wife and sentenced to six years and eight months imprisonment, was released yesterday. He is in good health and spirits. By reason of the time that Charlton had been under restraint and an additional one year taken from his sentence, Charlton, after his conviction, Charlton killed his wife in 1910, placed her body in a trunk and threw it into Lake Como.

100 Persons Drown

Rome, Nov. 23.—A hundred persons were drowned by the washing away of a bridge over the Reno river near Livorno, Italy.

SETTLEMENT IS NOT REACHED

CONFERENCES BETWEEN LANSING AND BERNSTORFF ON LUSITANIA CASE

GERMANY MAY CONCEDE POINT

Considers Assurances Given in Arabic Incident Sufficient Guaranty for Safety.

Washington, Nov. 23.—The settlement of the differences between the United States and Germany over the loss of Americans on the Lusitania is still far from completion, as the result of conferences between Secretary Lansing and Ambassador von Bernstorff.

Although officials believe that Germany will ultimately come to the American views, it would have the indemnity to the Hague tribunal of neutrals. Germany considers that the assurance given in the settlement of the Arabic incident is sufficient guaranty for the future safety of American citizens.

LAST SESSION STORMY FEDERATION OF LABOR

Legislative Methods for Obtaining Eight Hour Law Defeated By Big Majority.

San Francisco, Nov. 23.—A resolution endorsing legislative methods for obtaining a universal eight-hour law, was defeated 8,486 to 6,396 at the final session of the American Federation of Labor, after a heated debate between President Gompers and John Fitzpatrick, president of the Illinois state federation of labor, which then went on record as favoring economic methods only for obtaining shorter hours.

The final session was the stormiest of the convention, and did not adjourn until early this morning. Vote on eight-hour resolution was victory for Gompers. In an impassioned speech he declared the socialist party federation to endorse proposed eight-hour legislation.

After the vote was taken Fitzpatrick stated that the action of the convention affected only 2,000,000 organized workers. This brought about an acrimonious dispute between Gompers and Fitzpatrick. Toward the end, Gompers refused to read a communication from Fitzpatrick.

The convention went on record as favoring an American merchant marine, but refused to take cognizance of naval increases.

BIGGEST COAL TRAIN OVER THE C. C. & O.

Spartanburg, Nov. 23.—The longest train of coal ever brought into Spartanburg arrived here today from the Clinchfield coal mines over the C. C. & O. railway. The train comprised 115 cars, all solidly loaded with the black diamonds, and was pulled by two huge engines.

The coal is not destined for foreign markets or for the export trade and will not be moved through publicly in Charleston. Upon reaching here, the train will be broken up and cars shipped to various points in the southeast over the several railroads centering here. Much of the coal, it is understood, is for consumption in this immediate territory.

Prohibit Cotton Goods

Copenhagen, Nov. 23.—The Danish government has prohibited the exportation of cotton goods and of cash in the dry goods store.

DEATH NUMBER IN TRAIN WRECK FIXED AT ELEVEN

STATEMENT MADE BY MANAGER OF THE CARNIVAL COMPANY

ALL CONNECTED WITH CARNIVAL

Superintendent of Central of Georgia Places Number of Dead at Eight.

Columbus, Ga., Nov. 23.—The number of deaths resulting from the head-on collision yesterday, between a Central of Georgia passenger train and a special carrying the Coa T. Kennedy Carnival company, was increased to eleven in a statement tonight by Kennedy. All the dead are connected with the carnival and two other employees are said to be fatally injured. Forty others who were injured are in the hospitals here. There is still doubt, however, as to the number of dead.

Superintendent Harlan, of the Central of Georgia, stated that while he left the checking of the dead to the carnival officials he believed the deaths not to be more than eight. He said the charred remains had been overcounted because they were so badly burned. Three of the dead are still unidentified.

Investigation of the wreck has been ordered when the conductor and engineer of the passenger train, said to be responsible for the collision, are well enough to be questioned.

Railroad to Investigate

Savannah, Ga., Nov. 23.—At the Central of Georgia office it was stated again today would make a public inquiry into the wreck near Columbus yesterday to be held at Columbus. The statement given out by the general manager claims only one was killed and George Johnson was dying at the Columbus hospital. It was fairly well established last night that seven lost their lives, among them Johnson, reported to have died last night.

FARM LABORERS WAGE WAR OF DEPREDAATION

In Clash With Detectives Seven Were Wounded and Two Detectives Hurt.

Cape Girardeau, Nov. 23.—Seven farm laborers, of a band which has been waging a war of depredation for higher wages and lower food prices, were wounded and two private detectives hurt in a battle in a marsh near Clarkston today.

The detectives, hidden in a shack on the property of a large land owner, were discovered and attacked by thirty laborers.

The fight lasted over an hour and 300 rounds were fired on each side. The attacking party retreated, leaving their wounded.

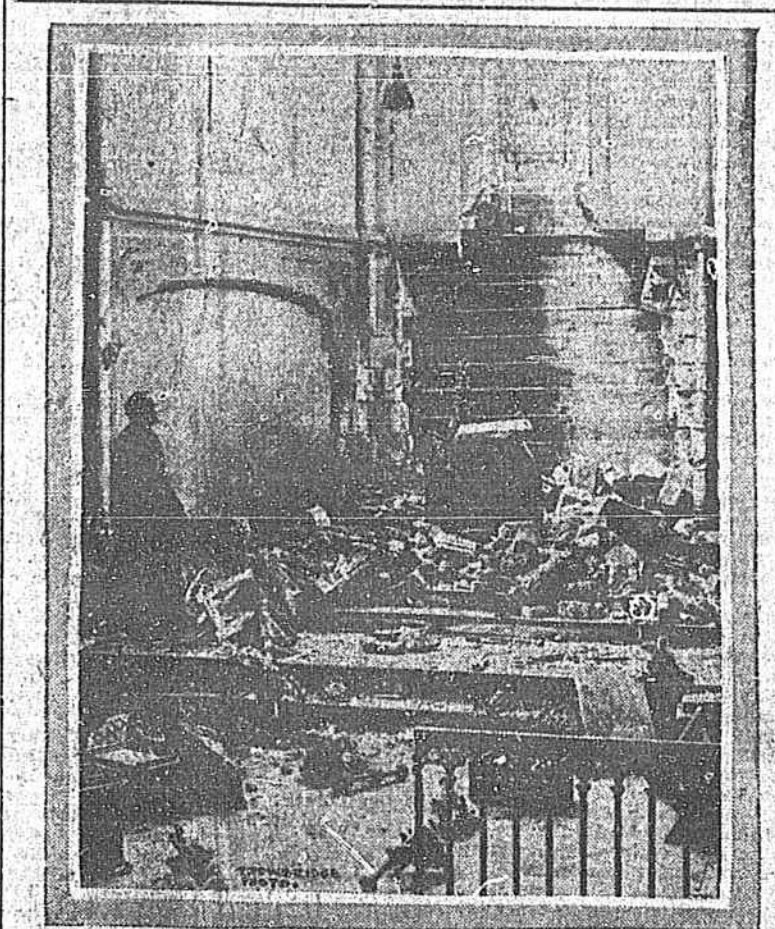
ESCAPED PRISONER HAS SURRENDERED

Asheville, Nov. 23.—By the surrender of Charles Stewart yesterday morning, the number of convicts who recently escaped from the white camp on Sandy Musc still remaining at large is reduced to ten.

Sheriff E. M. Mitchell ascertained the fact that Stewart was hiding in the mountains beyond Mt. Meadows inn on Friday. As soon as he was reasonably sure of the neighborhood in which the escaped convict was hiding, Sheriff Mitchell went to Stewart's home and told the young man's father that in view of the fact that a chase after him might result in his getting shot, it would be better to have him surrender, and so avoid the danger incident to a chase by the officers. Sheriff Mitchell explained that one of the prisoners who was captured recently, narrowly escaped being shot.

The father notified Sheriff Mitchell yesterday that Stewart was at the home of his brother-in-law on Sugar mountain, and when the officer arrived Stewart was waiting to give himself up. This prisoner was brought back to the city and later turned over to a guard, and sent back to the Sandy Musc camp. Stewart is serving a term for shooting his wife with intent to kill.

Priest Returns to His Church After Battle



This striking photograph was taken in which some 250,000 men were killed, greatest battle ever fought, a battle in which some 250,000 men were killed and wounded. The priest was driven out when shells burst over his head. He went back and the photographer caught him looking on his wrecked altar. The little church was not so famous as the cathedral at Rheims, which was bombarded, but it was just as dear to the pastor and his smaller flock.

RESERVE BANK SYSTEM BETTER THAN CENTRAL

Member of Reserve Board Defends System at Charlotte Mayor's Dinner.

Charlotte, N. C., Nov. 23.—One year's test of the federal reserve bank system has shown its superiority over the central bank plan, according to Paul H. Warburg of the reserve board, who spoke at a dinner here tonight given by the mayor of Charlotte.

He declared that the federal reserve plan gave the country all the advantages of a central bank, those of centralization of reserves and mobilization of commercial paper, without the dangers of a complete centralization.

Although he declined to comment on the Anglo-French half billion loan, he said it would not have been possible without the reserve system.

DEFINES POWERS OF THE RESERVE BOARD

Has No Authority to Reduce Number of Districts or Bank Locations.

Washington, Nov. 23.—Attorney General Gregory has given an opinion to President Wilson holding that the federal reserve board has no authority to reduce the number of reserve districts or change the location of reserve banks.

The opinion was sent to the meeting of the reserve board yesterday, but was not read because it was learned today that a supplementary opinion may be asked, dealing particularly with the proposed location changes.

Morgan Has Recovered

New York, Nov. 23.—J. P. Morgan returned today to his city home from his country home at Glen Cove, N. Y., where he has been recuperating after an operation for appendicitis. It was stated that Mr. Morgan has completely recovered and would return to his desk later in the week.

MEXICANS CROSS BORDER

Nogales, Ariz., Nov. 23.—Twenty-five Mexicans crossed the border today and fired on a patrol of six negro cavalry, wounding one of the men. One Mexican was killed by the return fire.

PRESIDENT DECIDES ON ANNUAL MESSAGE

National Defense and Government Revenue Will Be Principal Themes.

Washington, Nov. 23.—That national defense and revenues will form the principal theme in President Wilson's message to congress it was unanimously agreed today at the meeting between the chief executive and the cabinet.

Secretary Garrison's continental army plan for 400,000 citizen soldiers and the navy schedule will be supported.

Although the message is not completed the president will urge the merchant marine bill, conservation measures, a bill giving greater self-government to the Philippines and rural credits system.

\$50,000 FOR THE COLORADO

Fire Damaged Steamer Sold in New York by Underwriters

Charleston, Nov. 23.—The burned steamer Colorado, of the Mallory line, was sold in New York yesterday for about \$50,000, according to information received here yesterday afternoon by Street brothers. The name of the purchaser was not available.

The Colorado was offered for sale to the highest bidder. Sealed bids were opened at noon yesterday in the New York office of the underwriters. The number of bids submitted was not learned here and nothing definite as to the future use of the steamer is known.

The cotton damaged by the fire which swept the Colorado off Cape Roman October 25 and by the water which was pumped into her holds by the tugs Cecilia and Waban, of Charleston, was sold Friday, in various parcels. The total amount realized was a little more than \$110,000.

Belgium Wants U. S. Loan

The Hague, Nov. 23.—It is announced by The Belgische Dagblad that the Belgian minister of finance and minister of justice are about to call for the United States to arrange a loan.

Rate Reduction Postponed

Washington, Nov. 23.—Reduction of hard coal rates, ordered by the I. C. C., effective December first, was postponed today until January first.

GREEK MERCHANTS LOSE PRIVILEGES

MAY ABANDON SMALL BOATS

COAST DEFENSE SUBMARINES PROVED INEFFECTIVE IN MANEUVERS

WANT SEA-GOING SUBMERSIBLES

Personnel Suffered From Seasickness and Unable to Properly Handle Boats.

Washington, Nov. 23.—As a result of the recent war maneuvers of the Atlantic fleet, the abandonment of the present coast defense type of submarines may be recommended by the navy department in favor of sea-going submersibles of approximately 1,500 tons and 250 feet in length.

Reports from the war game indicate that the coast defenders, displacing not more than 800 tons, proved ineffective against the invading fleet, and transports, bearing "hostile" troops, got through the hole left by submarines and landed the men.

Although no unexpected mechanical trouble occurred aboard the little boats, the personnel suffered extremely from seasickness, bad airs, and were unable to take proper evasions because of lack of speed and weight in the heavy seas.

AERO SQUADRON HAD A VERY TRYING TRIP

Is Making Cross Country Flight From Fort Sill to San Antonio.

Austin, Texas, Nov. 23.—The United States army aero squadron, of six machines, had a trying trip today from the Waco to Austin leg of their cross country flight from Fort Sill Oklahoma to San Antonio.

It reached Austin safely, but not until four had been lost for nearly two hours in a haze, which caused several to drift fifty miles westward of their course.

Three machines were forced to land in unmarked territory to get their bearings. This was accomplished successfully.

THE UPPER CAROLINA CONFERENCE MEETS

Spartanburg, Nov. 23.—The advance guard of the delegates to the Methodist conference arrived in Spartanburg yesterday afternoon, and last night. The conference will open its first session at 9:30 o'clock tomorrow morning at Bethel Methodist church, but a meeting of the historical society of the conference will be held tonight at 7:30 o'clock, before which an address will be delivered by Rev. D. T. Hodges of Lancaster.

The gathering of the Methodist ministers and laymen is of special interest in that it is the first meeting of the Upper South Carolina conference, formed by the division of the state last year.

Bishop Collins Denny, of Richmond, who is to preside over the conference is expected to arrive in Spartanburg this morning. He will be a guest at the home of C. P. Sanders.

The conference will continue through Monday, when the appointments for the succeeding year, it is expected, will be announced. On next Sunday the visiting ministers will fill the pulpits of the various Protestant churches of the city. Definite announcement of this program will be made Saturday.

Airplane Falls

Berlin, Nov. 23.—An aerial battle in which a German airplane was taken to the ground is reported by the German army headquarters in an official statement of western front operations. Artillery duels in several sections of the Franco-Belgian lines are reported.

GENERAL BLOCKADE OF GREEK PORTS HAS NOT BEEN DECLARED

VIEWED IN WEST WITH DISFAVOR

It is Said That King Constantine Views Situation As Misunderstanding Only.

London, Nov. 23.—Instead of declaring a general blockade of Greek ports, the allies, according to a British war office statement, have withdrawn or threatened to withdraw the coaling and shipping privileges now enjoyed by Greek merchants.

Although this less vigorous attitude of the entente powers is viewed in the west with disfavor, reports from Saloniki indicate that King Constantine regards the present situation as a misunderstanding and that it is easily remediable.

It is said \$750,000 were spent under Lord Kitchener that he never considered disarming or interfering with Greek troops taking refuge on Greek soil. Greece, he said, was ready to assure the allies that the purpose of maintaining troops in Macedonia was the necessity of self preservation, in the event that the allies abandoned the Balkan expedition.

Lord Kitchener, it is reported, recently informed Greek officials that England would have 4,000,000 in the field by next March, and be in a position to arm and provision 8,000,000 Russians.

Confusing Reports

Confusing reports from the Balkan fighting continue. The Germans claim progress and the capture of thousands of the Serbs and many guns. The Serbians report that the Bulgarians were beaten in the region of Macedonia and the Serbs reoccupied the old Velez-Prilep line.

A dispatch from Chiasso, forwarded here from Zurich, declares that the Italian troops have landed in Albania. Austria is also reported as massing a big army in the Adriatic ports.

Aside from small German offensive in Gallicia and artillery duels in the west, no important actions are reported from the other fronts.

HOPE REVIVED FOR MONISTIR

London, Nov. 23.—The latest from the Balkans revived the hope that Monistir may hold out long enough for the French and British forces to effect a junction with the Serbians. The Rome and London Serbian legations received reports of a great Serbian victory northwest of Prigina, but as neither dates are details are given doubts are expressed as to their importance.

It is now believed that the allied forces which may take refuge on Greek territory, hardly are likely to be subjected to attack from the rear. The most significant indication as to the present attitude of Greece is contained in remarks by the Greek Minister of Justice Rhalds who is quoted in a press dispatch as having complained bitterly of the methods adopted by the allies. He argued that their tardiness in bringing effective support for the Serbians made Greek participation impossible. Rhalds declared, however, the Greeks were determined to maintain neutrality and the allies had no reason to fear danger if they should be forced across the Greek border. The French ministry made that the Bulgarians retired to their positions after a vain attack on the French lines. The real of the Serbian government has been shifted to Prizrend while the diplomatic corps has been moved to Petch, Montenegro.

A Constantinople message, via Germany reports the resumption of a violent offensive by the allies in the Dardanelles. No official confirmation has been received.

London, Nov. 23.—Foreign office states that no Greek ships are being seized or held up in the ports of the United Kingdom and no blockade of Greek ports has been instituted or is in force.

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