

FRENCH STEAMER SUNK IN MEDITERANEAN.

EIGHTY PERSONS PERISH WHEN VESSEL IS TORPEDOED WITHOUT WARNING.

Paris, December 27:—The French steamer Ville De La Ciotat, with passengers on board, was torpedoed without warning and sunk in the Mediterranean on December 24, the ministry of marine announced today. Most of the passengers and members of the crew have been rescued. The statement follows:

"The steamer Ville De La Ciotat was torpedoed and sunk on the 24th in the Mediterranean by an enemy submarine, without warning. A majority of the passengers and crew were picked up by an English steamer. Details have not been received."

The Ville De La Ciotat was returning from the far East and was due to arrive at Marseilles today. The survivors were taken to Malta, arriving there yesterday morning.

The Ville De La Ciotat was one of the largest of the steamships sunk recently in the Mediterranean. Her gross tonnage was 5,376. She was built at La Ciotat, France, in 1892, and was owned by the Messageries Maritimes, of Marseilles. She was last reported on her arrival at Saigon, Indo-China, on December 1, on a voyage from Yokohama to Marseilles.

Seventy-nine persons were drowned in the destruction of the French liner Ville De La Ciotat, the American consul at Malta reported to the State department. No Americans were aboard. The ship, he reports, was torpedoed without warning at 10:15 o'clock on December 24 and sunk in fifteen minutes.

Hebron Happenings.

Hebron, December 27:—There was a dinner at the home of Rev J T Gibbons Christmas day. Those who dined were: Rev L E Peeler, Messrs J W McClam and wife, C W Adams and wife, J C Coker and family, S N Caulder and family, Miss Jeddie Coker and Mr Ralph McElveen. The pleasant callers in the afternoon were Miss s Lizzie and Mae McElveen, Birtie Barrow and Messrs Philip Barrow, Atha McElveen, J L and Moody Coker.

Mr Dow McClam of San Antonio, Texas, is visiting his father, Mr J W McClam.

Mrs L A McElveen is spending this week with her daughter, Mrs J B Wallace.

Mrs J T Gibbons is also visiting her daughter, Mrs C W Adams.

Mr C S Smith and family took dinner Christmas day at the home of Mr and Mrs B M McElveen.

Miss Ola McElveen, who has been teaching school in Darlington county, is at home for a few weeks. Her brother, Mr Jack McElveen of Columbia, is also spending the holidays here.

Miss Leola Gibbons was a dinner guest at Mr C W Adams' Sunday.

Rev L E Peeler preached a very interesting sermon Sunday morning from the 2nd verse, 12th chapter of Genesis to a large congregation.

VIOLET.

Views from Venters.

Venters, December 27:—In spite of the snow last week, Santa Claus seems to have had no difficulty in reaching Venters with his pack of presents, and everyone seems to be living in an atmosphere of peace and good will. We are glad that none of the folk were snowbound away from home and that all the boys and girls have arrived in the most cheerful spirits.

Among those from other sections who are spending their Christmas holidays with their parents here are: Misses Edna, Thora and Claudia Davis of Georgetown, Marie Flowers of Coker college, Cornelia Cockfield of Chicora College, for Women, Kenneth Huggins of Winthrop, Eulee and Ola Springs of Florence and Bethera, respectively, Edimae Huggins of St Stephens, Bertha Ard of Nebo. Messrs F L Eaddy of Sumter, Geo

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Mr I R Gee of Kingstree spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives and friends at Venters, Hemingway and Johnsonville.

Mr and Mrs W T Lee and little daughter are visiting Mrs Lee's parents at Sampit.

Everyone seems to be thinking of 1916 resolutions already, and let us hope that resolutions made and kept will make the coming year the best of all.

Miss Caughman Entertained.

Hemingway, December 24:—Last Monday evening Mrs W C Hemingway entertained a number of her friends in honor of Miss Trannye Caughman, who next Wednesday becomes the bride of Dr T C Bomar of Georgetown. The guests were met at the door by the hostess and ushered into the large front room, beautifully decorated with holly and mistletoe. A programme was informally carried out, consisting of music furnished by Misses Baker and Wilson and various contests. After this, the "pie of fortune" was brought in. This was a large horizontal-shaped box covered with holly and ribbons which contained real information as to the future of each contestant. When Miss Caughman's turn came, much to her surprise and the amusement of all, she drew therefrom a large cabinet size genuine photograph of her fiance. After each of the guests was presented with a bouquet of mistletoe with ribbon, a sweet course was served, which was greatly enjoyed by all.

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FIGHT AGAINST BURLESON.

Substitution of Autos for Horse and Cart Likely to Cause a Roar

Washington, December 27:—Signs multiply that there will be a fierce outbreak of pent-up Congressional ire against Postmaster General Burleson after the holidays. The immediate cause is the reorganization of rural routes in the various States by the substitution of automobile vehicles for the familiar horse and cart affair.

It is claimed by the department that one automobile route can handle the work of several horse and wagon routes and save the Government money without hurting the service in any way. In some States hundreds of rural carriers have been dropped in the process of this consolidation.

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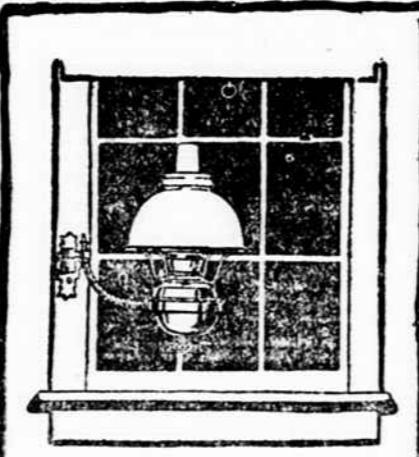
consolidation of ordinary routes into auto routes has resulted in serious deterioration of the service. Most of the Congressmen who are on the warpath against the department on this account admit that there are cases where economy is possible by combining routes according to the departmental theory, but they contend that a man or a board of men sitting at Washington with a map is not competent to allow for the local peculiarities of routes and often makes bad blunders.

It is the idea of the average Congressman that he knows his district better than the post office department knows it, and he does not like to be left out of consultation when "economies" of this sort are planned. Listen for the roar.

"The Southern Commercial Congress in session at Charleston, S C," remarks the Chattanooga Times, "before adjournment adopted resolutions indorseing without exception the policies announced by President Wilson both of a national and an international character." * * * This action is notice to the Republican party that if it still has an idea of breaking the solid South it will have to make a departure from its past narrow and sectional policies of 'national' as well as 'international' character. It is also a most gratifying indication of the final collapse of the pestiferous and numbing influence of Mr Bryan on Southern sentiment."

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