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LATEST CABLED SUGAR QUOTATIONS	
	Cents Dollars
90% Centrifugals N. Y. Per lb. Per ton.	4.085 381.70
Price, Hawaiian basis	
88% Beets, N. Y. Parity	No quotation
85% Beets, European	since war to Price

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HUMAN VOICES ARE CARRIED FROM SEA TO SEA BY PHONE

President Wilson in White House Congratulates President Moore of Exposition, in San Francisco, Upon Completion of Fair

TRANSCONTINENTAL SERVICE HAS AUSPICIOUS INAUGURAL

Mayors of New York and Pacific Coast Metropolis Exchange Greetings, While Nation's Executive Talks With Notables

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
SAN FRANCISCO, January 25.—"It is a fine omen for the Panama-Pacific Exposition that the first thing it has done is to send the human voice across the continent from sea to sea," was a part of the message spoken across the twenty-five hundred miles of wire of the Transcontinental Telephone Service by President Wilson in a conversation held between the White House and the office of President Charles C. Moore yesterday in the formal opening of the new line.

APPEALS TO IMAGINATION
"It appeals to the imagination, to speak thus across the continent," said the President. "I congratulate you and the people of San Francisco upon the fine prospects for a wonderfully successful exposition. I am enthusiastically hoping to take part in it, after the adjournment of congress."

FELICITATIONS SENT
"May I not send through you greetings to the exposition management, to all those whose work has made it possible, has made it the great event it promises to be? I convey to them my congratulations through you."

President Moore made a brief reply to President Wilson, thanking him for the congratulatory message and the good wishes.

PHONE INVENTOR PRAISED
Following this conversation, President Wilson talked to T. A. Watson, the early colleague of Alexander Bell, later calling up Bell in New York, congratulating him both on the latest achievement of their invention.

The President, in his conversation with President Moore, said that he could hear distinctly the words spoken in San Francisco.

MAYORS EXCHANGE GREETINGS
Mayor Rolph talked with Mayor Mitchell of New York, sending San Francisco's greetings to the Eastern metropolis and personally extending to Mayor Mitchell an invitation to attend the exposition.

From New York, Alexander Bell, the inventor of the telephone, talked to Thomas Watson here, the great inventor reminding his former assistant of the fact that the first telephone conversation ever held was between the same two who now conversed across a continent.

This was forty years ago, when Bell's experimenting had reached the point that his invention was able to transmit the spoken word for several hundred yards.

VOICES CARRIES 4600 MILES
After the cross-continent talk was finished, an extension was rigged with Jekyll Island, Florida, 4600 miles further, where Theodore N. Vall, the telephone magnate, was waiting. Vall heard Bell talk with perfect distinctness.

DUCHESS OF MANCHESTER EXPATRIATED BY MARRIAGE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
CINCINNATI, Ohio, January 25.—The local county court yesterday refused to appoint the Duchess of Manchester the executrix of the estate of her father, the late Eugene Zimmerman, arguing that her marriage to the Duke of Manchester, a British subject, expatriated her.

BRITISH NAVAL COMMANDER WHO WON GREAT NORTH SEA ENGAGEMENT WITH GERMANS



REAR-ADMIRAL BEATTY

Big Changes Taking Place Near Warsaw

Berlin Despatches Indicate Russia's New Plan of Campaign Is Under Way

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
LONDON, January 25.—According to the information contained in despatches from Berlin last night, the official German reports indicate a considerable movement of the Russian armies north of Warsaw.

Military critics here are uncertain as to whether this means that the new Russian plan which has been reported as being under consideration.

SLAV INVASION CHECKED
The general opinion here is that the Russian invasion into East Prussia has been checked. Petrograd reported yesterday that pronounced activity was evident along the entire 300-mile Austrian front, and stated it was believed that the expected Austro-German offensive move was under way.

BRITISH ARE SUCCESSFUL
The London Times received despatches last night from Petrograd reporting the success of the British expedition against Bagdad, in Asiatic Turkey, from the Persian Gulf.

BERLIN CALLS LAST LEVIES

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
AMSTERDAM, January 25.—Advices have reached here from Berlin that in the surrounding provinces of Brandenburg fifty-year-old unmarried men of the landsturm have been ordered to report to the military authorities and appear for medical examination.

HEAVY FIGHTING IN ALSACE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
LONDON, January 25.—Yesterday's official German bulletin reported the loss of a trench near Berry-au-Bac, and sanguinary fighting in Alsace in progress.
Berlin says that all the French attacks in Alsace have been repulsed.
The Paris announcement reported only minor engagements at several places, and artillery duels along the whole front.

GERMAN EMBASSY REPORTS

The following cablegram from the German embassy in Washington was received in Honolulu yesterday afternoon:
"WASHINGTON, January 25.—Number 1 headquarters report January 25:
"Near Newport and Ypres, artillery duels.
"Southwest of Berry-au-Bac the Germans have lost one trench taken a few days ago from the French.
"North camp of Orlon, yesterday only artillery fight. Today, also, Infantry fighting still continues in the Argonne district. North of Verdun and at Toul artillery very active.
"All French attacks on Hartmann's Wellerkopf repulsed.
"Fights in forest heavy French losses. No less than 400 chasseurs found dead. Number of prisoners French increased.
"In East Prussia artillery duel on front Loetzen, east of Gumbinnen and northward. Russians forced evacuate several positions southeast Gumbinnen. Russians attacks northeast Gumbinnen repulsed.
"Heavy Russian losses Northern Poland. No changes east of Pilsce; nothing important."

YACHT IDLER FOUNDERS WITH CREW OF FIFTEEN

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
NEW YORK, January 25.—It was reported here last night that the yacht Idler had been sunk and fifteen men comprising her crew are believed to have been drowned in the Diamond Shoals.

AMERICAN FLEET 'CRIPPLED AND BLIND'

Rear-Admiral Knight Warns Nation Navy Must Be Ready To Strike At Minute's Warning

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
NEW YORK, January 26.—"There is no question among well informed persons, familiar with the Navy and its necessities, but that the existing naval organization is inadequate, and would break down under the strain of war," declared Rear-Admiral Austin M. Knight, U. S. N., commandant of the naval station, Narragansett Bay, and president of the Naval War College, in an address delivered last night before the members of the Efficiency Club, whom he startled with the frankness of his remarks.

Admiral Knight urged the advocacy of the movement which seeks the establishment of a Council of National Defense and the creation of a Division of Strategy and Operations in the Navy.

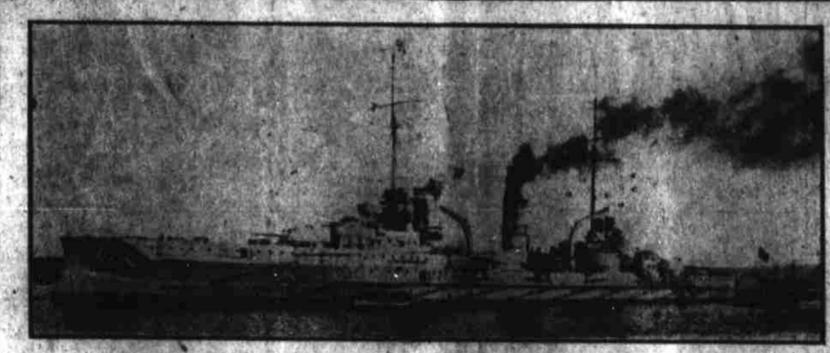
"The Navy's one excuse for existence is that it should always be ready to strike the minute it may be called upon, and that every element of its power be behind the blow for the defense of the country," he said.

"Much may be said about the Navy being splendidly efficient as a whole, but it is far less efficient than it should be. A fleet without sufficient colliers, such as ours is, is a crippled fleet. A fleet with so few scout ships as we have is a blind fleet."

BRITISH BATTLECRUISER LION, Which Sent the German Armored Cruiser Bluecher To the Bottom in the Running Fight Across the North Sea To Base At Heligoland Island



GERMAN ARMORED CRUISER BLUECHER, Which Was Sent To the Bottom With Most of Her Crew and Whose Survivors, Including Commander, Have Been Landed in Scotland



POLICE BLOCKADE WARRING CHINESE

Unique Method Adopted in San Francisco To Put Down Tong Conflict

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
SAN FRANCISCO, January 25.—In an attempt to corral some missing members of the Sui Sing Tong, who are wanted in connection with the killings which took place on Sunday, the police have blockaded two Chinese establishments owned by prominent members of that tong.
Every effort will be made to uncover the Chinese wanted. It is believed they are hiding in the premises now under blockade.
The authorities have threatened to establish a blockade of the entire Chinatown unless peace is immediately established between the warring factions.

AIRSHIPS DEFY GALE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
LONDON, January 25.—An official eye witness with the British army has given out a statement through the government bureau that the British aeroplanes can successfully navigate in a ninety-mile gale while half a mile in the air.

PROHIBITION IN ICELAND

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
COPENHAGEN, January 25.—The parliament of Iceland has forbidden the sale of any alcoholic liquors, the drastic law ordering the remaining stock to be disposed of once.

RUSSIAN PRESTIGE HURT IN ROUMANIA

Slav Offensive Movement in Bukowina and Against Transylvania Effectually Blocked

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
BERLIN, January 25.—Vienna newspaper dispatches received here report that the recent Austrian successes in repulsing the Russians in Bukowina have greatly injured Russian prestige with Roumania.
The Vienna newspapers speak most optimistically of the situation in Bukowina, and consider that the Russian offensive movement there has ended, at least for a long time.
This, they say, puts to an end all danger of a Russian invasion of Transylvania.

AUSTRIA STILL DEFIANT

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
VIENNA, January 25.—That Austria will refuse any territorial concessions to Italy or Roumania, even though such refusal may throw these countries into the Allies' camp, is the declaration of the Wiener Tagblatt, the mouthpiece of the Austrian foreign office.

COMMANDER OF GERMAN NAVY WHO SENT RAIDING SQUADRON ON MISSION THAT WAS LOST



ADMIRAL VON KOESTER

Kaiser Seizes Wheat Supply of His Empire

People Fail To Economize and Action Is Necessary To Guarantee Bread

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
BERLIN, January 25.—The Kaiser has seized the entire wheat supply of the country in order to safeguard the bread supply.

This measure has become necessary because the people failed to economize as was advised by the German government at the outbreak of the war.

The government will have the available wheat distributed to the different communities, according to the size of their population, and will continue in direct control of this supply until after the next harvest.

FOOD SHIPMENTS AFFECTED

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
LONDON, January 25.—Further complications in the matter of shipments of foodstuffs to Germany from neutral countries are foreseen as the result of the reports that Germany is seizing food supplies for military use.
The American steamship Wilhelm, now en route to Germany with a cargo of foodstuffs, consigned to civilians, will be seized by the British government unless positive guarantee can be furnished that the cargo will not reach the German army, if allowed to land in that country.

COMMITTEE OF SENATE OPPOSES JONES BILL

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
WASHINGTON, January 25.—The senate committee on the Philippines, which has been hearing testimony on the Jones bill, which enlarges the scope of self-government in the Philippines, with a view to ultimate independence, has adopted an amendment to the preamble of the bill, that complete independence will be given to the Philippines when "in the judgment of the United States the people of the Philippines are fitted for such."

SUFFERING APPALLING IN TEMBLOR DISTRICT

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
ROME, January 25.—In the Abruzzi district, which has just been devastated by earthquake, hail, snow, wintry winds and floods are adding to the misery of the unfortunate populace rendered homeless by the cataclysm. Wild animals, even, are starving, and in a number of cases wolves have attacked living persons.

BIG WARSHIP OF AUSTRIAN NAVY BLOWN UP BY A MINE

British Armed Merchantman Viktor Meets With Accident Off Coast of Ireland and Goes Down With All On Board

SURVIVORS OF BLUECHER ARE LANDED IN SCOTLAND

German Newspapers Say Because the Enemy Abandoned Chase of Teuton Raiding Squadron Kaiser's Ships Won

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
LONDON, January 25.—Dispatches received yesterday from Venice by the Daily Mail say it is reported in Trieste that a big unarmed Austrian cruiser has been blown up and sunk by a mine near the Brioni Islands, at the mouth of Pola Harbor, the Austrian naval base.

The admiralty issued an official announcement last night stating that the British armed merchantman Viktor had been blown up by a mine off the coast of Ireland, or had foundered. Whatever the cause, the ship went down with all hands.

BLUECHER SURVIVORS LANDED
Advice received by the Daily Mail last night report that Captain Erdman of the German cruiser Bluecher, which was sunk by the British battlecruiser Lion in Saturday's engagement in the North Sea, has been landed safely with other survivors at Leith, Scotland.

In yesterday's dispatches, Germany admitted the loss of the big armored cruiser Bluecher in the North Sea engagement. The Berlin dispatches asserted that one British battlecruiser was sunk in the fight.

BATTLE LASTED THREE HOURS
The German announcement says the battle lasted three hours and ceased seventy miles west of Heligoland.

The British admiralty specifically denied that any British ships were lost in the engagement on Sunday.
Dispatches from Berlin say that the German press argues that because the British abandoned the chase of the German raiding squadron, the German gunners won a superior force.

NEW GERMAN NAVAL GUN

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
AMSTERDAM, January 25.—German military newspapers announce that a new sixteen-inch naval gun with a range of twenty-five miles has been completed for use in the German navy.

BAITING OF ALIENS ENDS IN CALIFORNIA

Governor Johnson Announces That He Will Veto Further Legislation Against Foreigners

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
SACRAMENTO, January 25.—Governor Hiram Johnson has announced that he would veto any amendments made by this legislature to the alien land ownership act, passed two years ago.

The labor interests of the state have proposed amendments killing the right of aliens to lease land, thus taking further drastic action against Japanese land holding in California.
Governor Johnson's announcement of his intention to veto any further anti-Japanese legislation probably will block any attempted action.

The administration has full control of both houses of the legislature and even if a land ownership bill should pass, he would have no trouble in getting enough votes to sustain a veto.