

PACIFIC MAIL GIVES NOTICE THAT IT WILL QUIT BUSINESS

Steamship Company Makes Definite and Formal Announcement of Withdrawal of All Vessels From Transpacific Route

WILL ABANDON TRADE SECOND OF NOVEMBER

Seamen's Bill Has Brought About Conditions Under Which Steamers Cannot Operate Except At Loss: Liners May Be Sold

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

SAN FRANCISCO, April 17.—Definite and formal announcement of the abandonment of the Transpacific route by the Pacific Mail Steamship Company was made yesterday from the head offices of that company in this city, General Manager Schwab officially notifying all agents and representatives of the company of the decision to go out of business.

The notification states that all sailings of the steamers of the Pacific Mail fleet to the Orient after November 2 are cancelled, while no freight contracts to run after July 31 are to be entered into.

Seamen's Bill Is Cause

The sole reason advanced for this definite announcement is that the Seamen's Bill, the title of which says that it was enacted "to promote the welfare of American seamen in the merchant marine of the United States," comes into force on November 4 and brings about conditions under which the steamers of the Pacific Mail, the Manaburu, Mongolia, Siberia, Korea and Ufa, cannot be operated except at a large loss.

The disposition of the liners of the Pacific Mail fleet will be discussed and settled at a meeting of the shareholders of the company, to be held next month.

COASTWISE SHIPS WARNED

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.) SEATTLE, April 17.—All American steamship companies operating steamships out of Seattle, San Francisco and Alaska ports have been notified by the British admiralty that all German, Austrian or Turkish passengers, or members of the crews of those nationalities, will be removed by the British authorities whenever such vessels touch at any Canadian port.

When removed, says the admiralty notification, such passengers and members of crews will be held in Canada as prisoners of war.

As a result of this notification, ten German members of the crew of the steamship President, were yesterday discharged by the towing company, while the German and Austrian members included in all other coastwise vessels making Canadian ports will be similarly discharged.

SCARCITY OF BUTTER IS FELT IN GERMANY

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.) LONDON, April 17.—According to reports from Germany through neutral sources, the scarcity of butter is making itself felt throughout that country and the chemists are experimenting with a view to discovering an available substitute. Experiments are being concentrated on the production of oil from sunflower seeds as the most satisfactory equivalent for butter.

LINER MINNESOTA LIES IN A DANGEROUS BERTH

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.) TOKIO, April 16.—The steamer to the Great Northern liner Minnesota is more serious than was at first supposed. If the weather is favorable the vessel may be floated in a fortnight. The salvage crew may have to dynamite the rocky ledge at Iwajima, Inland Sea where the Minnesota is stranded.

Dr. J. S. B. Pratt, president of the board of health, will leave in the Manaburu on April 17 for Washington, D. C. He will spend a couple of days on business in San Francisco, and will take the opportunity of visiting the fair and the Hawaii building more particularly. Doctor Pratt will attend the annual medical conference to be held in the national capital under the direction of Dr. Rupert Blue, surgeon general of the United States. The doctor will be away from Honolulu seven or eight weeks, and during his absence his place will be filled by Dr. Don S. Bowman, chief sanitary inspector of Hilo, who will act temporarily as president of the board of health.

BUILDING TRADES OF CHICAGO IDLE

Great Lockout and Strike Throw Twenty-five Thousand Wage Earners Out of Work

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.) CHICAGO, April 17.—One hundred and twenty-five thousand employes are today without occupation as a result of the lockout and strike of the members of the building trades unions, inaugurated here on Wednesday, while work upon \$30,000 worth of contracts has ceased for the time being.

Governor Duggan has issued an order that the state board of arbitration offer its services to the principals in the industrial dispute.

The men are striking for an increase of five cents an hour in their wages, from sixty-five to seventy cents. To anticipate this demand, a number of the contractors ordered work stopped, while to anticipate further lockouts, the men of all the building trade unions walked out.

TEUTON SUBSTITUTES FOR SUNKEN VESSELS

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

PARIS, April 17.—Ludovic de Meulan, president of the British Shipowners Association, has advanced a proposal to the minister of marine which it is believed will check to a large extent the present submarine warfare being carried on by Germany against the merchantmen of the Allies and others within the prescribed "war zone."

M. de Meulan proposes that when a merchant ship belonging to any of the Allies is sunk at sea by a German submarine, the owner be presented with a German ship, of corresponding value and tonnage.

Inasmuch as there are two hundred and seventy-eight German ships detained in French ports, including vessels of practically all descriptions, the plan could be carried through with out trouble, while the German under-water activity would have to be increased many fold before the available supply of German substitutes for torpedoes is exhausted.

CAUSE OF VILLA SEEMS HOPELESS

Forces of Pancho, the Bandit Evacuate Another City, While Oregon Advances

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.) MEXICALTAN, April 17.—The Villa forces stationed at Tepic have evacuated that city and are hurrying in the direction of Guadalupe, while the Mexican customs officials have abandoned their posts at San Blas, having sworn allegiance to Villa and being afraid that his cause is now a hopeless one. Unless Carranza occupies San Blas and places new officials in the customs house, vessels calling at that port will be unable to comply with the regulations and will have to sail with irregular papers.

BATTLE RAGES AT CELAYA

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.) WASHINGTON, April 16.—Advices received by the army here of Gen. Pancho Villa say that Villa's forces are storming Celaya, where a battle has been raging and have advanced the railroad behind the Carranza forces. General Obregon, Carranza's leader, asserts that the enemy's losses are 14,000.

OBREGON VICTORY CONFIRMED

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.) EL PASO, April 16.—No denial is made from Villa's headquarters of the story that General Obregon has won a victory.

GAMINETTI COMING WEST

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.) WASHINGTON, April 17.—Commissioner of Immigration Gaminetti left yesterday for the Pacific Coast, where he will inspect the Pacific immigration stations and inaugurate the working out of the federal employment bureau plan.

CORONATION NEXT NOVEMBER

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.) TOKYO, Japan, April 16.—The coronation of Emperor Yoshihito will be held on November 10 of this year.

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JAPANESE SEEKING AUSTRALASIA TRADE

Commission From Japan Wants To Establish Steamship Line For Orient and Antipodes

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.) WELLINGTON, New Zealand, April 17.—A Japanese trade commissioner, today in this country and Australia in connection with the direct steamship line which Japanese capitalists propose inaugurating between Japan and Australasia, addressed the chamber of commerce yesterday, outlining the mutual advantages to follow the opening up of trade relations between the Empire and the Colonies. In this connection, he referred to the fact that Japan and Great Britain are now active allies in the great war, in which soldiers and sailors of the two Empires had fought side by side to victory at Tientsin.

This political alliance should be followed by trade reciprocity between the British and the Japanese, he said, concluding with statement that "Japan is now entitled to the trade of Australasia, as in America. Japan is an ally of Great Britain in the greatest struggle in her history; America stands neutrally aloof."

THAW REMANDED TO MATTEWAN ASYLUM

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

NEW YORK, April 17.—Following a decision of the appellate division of the supreme court yesterday, which denied the writ of habeas corpus issued for the purpose of having Harry Thaw returned to the State of New Hampshire and beyond the jurisdiction of the New York state courts, the homicidal maniac, who has straggled in the flight of insanity since his escape from the Matteawan asylum, for the criminal insane, was ordered back to confinement in that institution. He will be taken back today.

BRITISH INDIANS ROUT MUSSELMANS

Bloody Battle is Fought in Mesopotamia and Turkish Loss is Great

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.) LONDON, April 17.—In a bloody battle between a force of Indian expeditionary troops and an army of 15,000 Turks, entrenched at Basila, Mesopotamia, the latter were signally defeated and dispersed, but at a cost to the British of 700 men, killed and wounded, according to official reports.

The Turks held a strong position, which the Indians stormed, driving out the Musselmans at the point of the bayonet and pursuing them for a considerable distance.

The Turkish loss was heavy, running into the thousands, while 300 were taken prisoners.

NAVAL PARADE WILL BE FOURTH OF JULY

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.) NEW YORK, April 17.—Following a general review of the ships of the Atlantic fleet at New York, the start for the naval parade through the Panama Canal for San Francisco by the great armada will be made on the Fourth of July, according to plans agreed upon yesterday at a conference between Secretary Daniels and Admiral Fletcher. Following fleet maneuvers in Narragansett Bay, the battleships and auxiliaries will sail for the reviewing ground in June.

ALLEGED EMPLOYEE OF EMBEZZLER CAUGHT

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.) SAN FRANCISCO, April 16.—Mrs. Lillian Munson, indicted on a charge of aiding Ralph Lovell, teller of the First National Bank of Edgewater, N. J., has been arrested. Lovell is reported as arrested in London. He alleged he took the money a year ago and met Mrs. Munson in Brazil and she returned as an informer.

ALLEGED DESERTER CAUGHT

Clay Bailey was arrested yesterday morning by Policeman Gray, on information furnished by Waterfront Special Policeman Carter, on a charge of being a deserter from the United States coast guard cutter Thetis. He deserted March 5. It is alleged, before the Thetis sailed on her cruise to the Bird Islands and shoals. He was found living near Schofield Barracks, Hilo formerly was a private of Troop I, Second Infantry.

MOTHER AERIAL RAID IS MADE BY GERMANS

Three Zeppelins Sweep Over English Towns, Dropping Fifty Bombs in Flight

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The Zeppelins appeared south of the Thames, in Kent, and bombarded Faversham and Sittingbourne, two small, undefended towns. It is supposed that the objective of the German air machines was Sheerness, a few miles north of the scene of their operations, but the naval base was not approached.

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A number of extra men have been sworn in for the metropolitan police for special night duty, in the event that raiding airships attack the city.

AMERICANS DEMAND HUERTA'S DEPORTATION

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.)

NEW YORK, April 17.—The announcement made by Victoriano Huerta, deposed President of Mexico, that he intended remaining in the United States indefinitely, has raised a storm of protest throughout the country. A large number of persons have telegraphed to the immigration authorities demanding the deportation of the man accused of the murder of President Madero, while others are insisting that Huerta be arrested as a fugitive from justice and turned over to First Chief Carranza for trial and punishment.

CONTRACTS AWARDED FOR THREE HYDRO-AEROPLANES

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.) WASHINGTON, April 17.—Secretary Daniels yesterday announced that a contract for the building of three hydro-aeroplanes would be awarded to the Burgess Company of Marblehead, whose bid had received approval. Further awards for the other naval flying machines authorized by congress will be made later, after competitive bids had been called for.

HONGKONG WILL HAVE BIG DEPARTMENT STORE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.) PHILADELPHIA, April 16.—An American-plan department store in Hongkong, and the purchase of a million dollars' worth of the stock of a Canton bank, has been decided upon at a convention of the Leong Tong, a Chinese society, according to Yung Hong, its president.

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JAPANESE DENY PLOT TO HOLD TURTLE BAY

(Special Wireles to Tokyo Jiji.) SAN FRANCISCO, April 16.—The story of Japan's activity in Mexico, that the Japanese fleet, under the guise of salvaging the stranded cruiser Asama, has established at Turtle Bay, Lower California, a naval base, is declared by the California Japanese as being merely the working out of a deep plot on the part of Gen. Harrison Gray Otis, the owner of the Los Angeles Times. The Nipponese in California blame the veteran editor as the originator of the false report.

General Otis is known to possess land tracts near Turtle Bay, which are said to be worthless for agriculture. It is presumed he circulated the honey story to incite the American government to purchase the land adjoining the bay for an American naval base.

At the Japanese consulate here today, Consul-General Y. Numano, who is in close touch with the proper authorities in Japan over their activity in the Mexican waters of the Japanese fleet, made an emphatic denial that Japan has ever entertained a concealed ambition to acquire territory in Mexico. He said that he has every reason to believe that the salvaging work of the Asama covers no other operation.

According to the latest advice from Los Angeles, Secretary Fujikura of the California Japanese Association, yesterday called at the office of the Times and made a full explanation to General Otis of the real mission at Turtle Bay of the Japanese warships.

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INVESTIGATION IS UNDER WAY

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.) WASHINGTON, April 16.—The United States government will make some investigation of the alleged establishment of a naval base by the Japanese at Turtle Bay, Lower California, it was learned today. Secretary of the Navy Daniels has directed Admiral Thomas B. Howard, commanding the Pacific fleet, to furnish what information is available. Dr. E. Lester Jones, superintendent of the coast geodetic survey, has also been asked to furnish information.

HAVANA IS INVACED BY BUBONIC PLAGUE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.) HAVANA, April 16.—That the bubonic plague has become epidemic at this port is the fear now expressed by the port health authorities. Yesterday the sixth case was officially reported. A vigorous rat extermination campaign is under way, but the public is not properly co-operating with the authorities.

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(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.) WASHINGTON, April 17.—"Europe today needs a peace hero. To end the war another Abraham Lincoln is needed in the world."

So declared Oscar Strauss, former secretary of commerce and labor and one time ambassador to Turkey, after he had held a conference with Secretary Bryan in which the war situation was discussed.

Mr. Strauss was the American delegate to the last convention at the Hague.

TYPHUS SPREADS ALL OVER SERBIA

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.) NEW YORK, April 17.—A report from the special investigators sent to Serbia by the Rockefeller Foundation to examine into the health conditions of that stricken country was made public yesterday. It states that a careful estimate shows thirty thousand cases of typhus fever to be existent today among the Serbian army and civil population, with many deaths occurring and with practically no hope of staying the ravages of the disease with the means available.

The Rockefeller Foundation trustees are hopeful that they may secure the services of Brigadier General Gurgan, Serbian general, as a permanent official of the foundation, with the special purpose of sending him to Serbia at the head of a sanitary force for the handling of the fever situation there.

Reports were received from Washington yesterday, however, that General Gurgan's acceptance of the trustees' offer is doubtful.

Although President Wilson has expressed his reluctant readiness to accept the resignation of General Gurgan as surgeon general, in view of the larger work offered him, Secretary of War Garrison is much opposed and is firmly antipathetic to his resignation.

It is reported, too, that many protests have been received at the White House against accepting the resignation of the man who cleaned up the Canal Zone and eliminated yellow fever from that portion of the country and from Cuba, the protests stating that General Gurgan's resignation is a blow to the United States.

CHINESE MERCHANT HELD FOR MURDER

Lum Chock Hoo is under arrest charged with first-degree murder. He is held without bail at the police station. Evidence gathered by the police is that he threw a heavy stool at the boy last Saturday, striking him on the forehead.

The boy was taken to the Children's Hospital. He died yesterday.

The young son of Lum Chock Hoo and the dead boy were playing about the store of the elder at King and Beckett streets. They were making too much noise and Lum Chock Hoo warned them away.

What happened then is confused, except that Lum Chock Hoo, in a fit of rage, threw a heavy stool at the boy. It struck Lum Young Yuen.

The Chinese was arrested on a charge of assault and battery when the boy was taken to the hospital, but he was released on bond of \$100. The boy became worse, however, and his assailant was re-arrested.

Doctors Emerson, Cooper and Sinclair conducted a postmortem examination at the morgue yesterday. The boy died from meningitis, caused by the blow, the physicians found. He had a slight wound at the base of the neck, where the stool struck him.

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BULGARS MAY JOIN IN WAR AND TAKE UP ALLIES' CAUSE

Czar Ferdinand's Premier is Credited With Statement At Sofia That Bulgaria is About Ready To Step Into Big Conflict

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It has been accepted as an established fact that Greece has only been awaiting definite assurances from Bulgaria before joining her feet and arms to the combined fleets and land forces of Great Britain and France for the forcing of the Dardanelles and the capture of European Turkey and the islands of the Aegean left to the Porte.

Zeppelin raids over England, aeroplane raids by Germans into France and by the airmen of the Allies into Belgium and Germany marked yesterday's fighting on the west, while the offensive of the French from Comenon into the Upper Rhine valley continues without cessation.

Conflicting reports come from the Carpathian front, where the Russians have been attacking from Bartfeld to the Ukok Pass. The Russian dispatches state that, despite the inundation of the lower Carpathian slopes, the advance into Hungary is progressing, the heavy German reinforcements hurled to the assistance of the Austrians having failed to stop the human avalanche which the Czar is hurling over the passes and towards the capital of Frank Josef.

The Austrian announcements from Vienna via Berlin, state that the Russians have been checked and repulsed at Rostok and St. Ry and have suffered tremendous losses. The Berlin dispatches state that the conflict now raging throughout the Carpathians is the greatest battle ever fought in the history of mankind, with three and a half million men engaged along a continuous front.

The Russian hospital services are broken down, says Berlin, and a large proportion of the wounded are being left to die upon the battlefield unattended.

Some scant reports have been received of the fighting in Russian Poland, none of the rival capitals making any claims to success.

From Italy word is received that the main Italian army is now massed along the Italian-Austrian frontier, ready to break over at the word. The Italians have a force immediately available for an invasion of Trentino and the Austrian Tyrol of 1,200,000 men. The Italian fleet is mobilized in the Adriatic.

Naval activity in the Mediterranean has been confined to a bombardment of a number of the Syrian coast towns by a French battleship. The operations in the Dardanelles, supposed to have been resumed since the Russian fleet has been engaged in a general campaign of extermination of all the Turkish Black Sea merchant fleet, which is being hunted into the Turkish ports and there bombarded. Turkish communication between Constantinople and Turkey in Asia by means of water has practically been brought to an end.

PHILADELPHIA WANTS G. O. P.

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.) PHILADELPHIA, April 17.—The lower branch of the city council and the Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce yesterday passed resolutions inviting the Republican national committee to hold the 1916 Republican national convention here.