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Col. F. W. Buffum Writes to Keokuk Organizations Asking Them to Build Highway to Wayland.

TOLL ROAD MAY FOLLOW

If Matter Is Not Settled, Buffum Suggests That This Would be Good Plan to Bring Matter to Close.

A letter has been written to organizations in Keokuk by F. W. Buffum, state highway commissioner of Missouri, asking that the highway between Keokuk and Wayland be completed. The highway from Keokuk south to St. Louis is to be completed this year, according to the letter from Colonel Buffum, and Keokuk business interests are asked to do their share towards securing the construction of the road.

In his letter Colonel Buffum calls attention to the quantity of fine rock possible to obtain in this city. He suggests loading this rock on trucks and taking it to the desired spot and dumping it there. The road could be built in short order, Colonel Buffum believes, by using this method.

The local land owners should be able to give considerable assistance, although it may not be practical for the state of Missouri to offer much in the way of active aid.

"Now we would like to know and have this matter adjusted as it has been up now for two years, as to whether Keokuk is going to be interested in taking care of that portion out to Wayland or not. If not, the writer is going to see that a toll road is installed between Wayland and Keokuk, because that would seem about the only means of getting a road that would complete our system, unless, of course, we should build a road north from Wayland and go across the river west of Keokuk, but that would not please the traveling public nor would it please us."

This is Colonel Buffum's suggestion in his letter which was addressed to the Commercial club.

He further suggests that if the road is built it be given applications of oil.

GERMAN PIRATE TALKS GLIBLY

Tells of Another Plot He was Hatching Up, but His Pals Backed Out.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] NEW YORK, April 1.—Not being accustomed to handling a "pirate," it was not until tonight that the local police and federal authorities discovered a charge on which they could arraign Ernest Schiller, who captured, single handed, the steamer Matoppo and her crew.

Schiller himself furnished the information on which a charge will be based. He told detectives that he and three companions planned to capture the Cunard liner Pannonia, which sailed from here March 4, in prison her captain and crew and then sink the ship. Schiller said the Pannonia would have been blown up or her sea cocks opened had not his three companions deserted him. The vessel sailed for Italy with a cargo of munitions. She is a boat of 9,851 tons, but Schiller has no doubt his "pirate crew" could have captured and sunk her.

Schiller will be arraigned Monday, charged with plotting to blow up the liner. He glibly told detectives all about his plot. His one big desire is to avoid being turned over to the British authorities. He is confident they will shoot him as a spy or hang him as a pirate. Trial in this country on some charge will not be so severe.

The identity of the three who were to have aided Schiller, has not yet been learned by the authorities. He has told all about himself, how he ordered the Matoppo crew to ram what he thought was a British cruiser, but found the vessel sighted only a freighter, and all the details of his Captain Kidd escapade. But he is keeping the identity of his aides secret.

CITY NEWS.

—River conditions were more encouraging here yesterday, as the crest of the flood seems to have been reached and the water is falling.

THE ZEPPELIN AS FUN MAKER

Terrors of the Sky Are Not Without Their Touch of Humor to the People.

SHOOTING AT PLANETS

A Few Odd Tales From London With Expected Air Raids as Their Foundations.

[By Chas. P. Stewart, United Press Staff Correspondent.]

LONDON, March 12. (By mail.)—Jupiter and Venus, the planets of those names, have been prominently on exhibition in the European western sky of nights of late. The other evening a certain near-sighted captain at one of the camps in England routed out his superior officer with the alarm: "Zeppelin approaching sir!" The superior took a squint.

"That's not a Zeppelin," he said. "It's Venus."

"Oh," said the near-sighted captain, crestfallen. The next day he bought a pair of binoculars. In the evening he routed out his superior again. "Zeppelin approaching sir!" he reported. "This time there's no mistake about it; her light's plainly visible." The superior took a look.

"Damit, sir!" he exclaimed, "that's Jupiter!"

There's a report current that in France an anti-airship gun crew fired several shots at the two planets. Their respective positions were, in fact, such, on one or two nights, that they looked much like the bow and stern lights of a Zeppelin.

You can only buy intoxicating drinks in London at present between the hours of noon and 2:30 p. m. and 6:30 and 9:30 p. m. Some of the "pubs" (saloons) are open all day for the sale of non-intoxicants but they are allowed to serve refreshments containing alcohol only during the prescribed periods.

A few afternoons ago a party of about a dozen customers had gathered at the bar of a "pub" known as the Temple Cafe a few minutes before 6:30 and stood chatting and waiting for the moment to come when the ban would be lifted from the sale of intoxicants.

Just at 6:27 there entered the bar a newcomer with a report that a Zeppelin was coming. It wasn't true but the party in the "pub" didn't know this.

Instantly one of the number burst into loud cries, half inarticulate from his excitement, for an alcoholic drink immediately, in mercy's name. He kept up this clamor until 6:30, when it was possible to give him what he wanted.

Now, why this person in such a hurry? Because he was so terrified at the thought of Zeppelins that he needed a brace? Oh, by no means. He feared for his wife and children in another part of the city and wanted in another part of the city and wanted he might be able to go and look after them.

Howard P. Smith of Smoothwick was fined 3 pounds and costs, (about \$25) the other day for telling fellow workmen in a munition factory that a Zeppelin was in the vicinity and disturbing them in their work, to the detriment of the plant's output.

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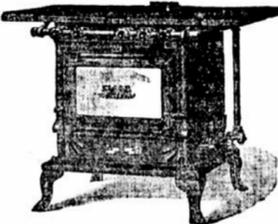
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JIM THORPE GOES TO MILWAUKEE CLUB

Manager McGraw of New York Giants Releases Noted Indian Athlete.

BEAUMONT, Texas, April 1.—Jim Thorpe, noted Indian athlete today, was released by Manager McGraw, of the New York Giants to the Milwaukee club of the American association. This is the third season McGraw

has tried Thorpe out and found him lacking as a major leaguer. Weak hitting caused his failure to stick with the Giants. He goes to Milwaukee under an option which may be exercised at the end of the present season. Unless he shows great improvement with the stick, however, it is probable that McGraw will not seek to recall him.

Jose Rodriguez, Cuban first baseman, was released to the New London club of the Eastern association. McGraw kept a string on him, however.

Braves Win Again.

[United Press Leased Wire Service] JACKSONVILLE, Fla., April 1.—The Braves again defeated the Athletics today, 9 to 5, making four consecutive victories. The Athletics held the lead up to the seventh inning, but Boston got to Morissette, driving in five runs on a pass and five hits.

The Athletics made six errors in the field; Malone and Schang starred at bat. Malone connected for two doubles and Schang drove out a home run.

Princeton is Victor.
[United Press Leased Wire Service.] PRINCETON, N. J., April 1.—Princeton defeated Villa Nova in the first baseball game of the season here today, 2 to 1. The score:
Princeton 2 8 1
Villa Nova 1 3 2

Will Try to Come Back.
CHICAGO, April 1.—Johnny Coulton, former bantamweight champion, will try a come back. Coulton announced tonight that he had signed to meet Charles Henderson in a ten round bout at Racine, Wis., late this month.