

Rain to-day, colder at night; to-morrow fair and colder. Highest temperature yesterday, 47; lowest, 35. Detailed weather, mail and marine reports on page 7.

2 POLICEMEN IN BOAT WASH IN RIVER MYSTERY

Hell Gate Swirl Believed to Have Swallowed Tiny Gasoline Launch.

VICTIMS ON WAY TO RECOVER DEAD MAN

John Lober, 32, and De Forrest Fredenberg, 53, Sought by Comrades.

East River has squared accounts with the men of the police harbor guard. For the first time in their long fight with the blue coated guards of the river, the swirling, treacherous waters below Hell Gate have had their revenge for the thousand lives of which they have been cheated by the patrolmen's vigilance. Two men were the penalty demanded and taken.

All day yesterday and through the night men of Harbor Stations A, B and C used grappling hooks in the waters at the foot of East Seventy-eighth street for the two bodies of their comrades, held by the treacherous river as prizes.

A little before 6 on Saturday evening some one had telephoned Harbor Station A at the foot of 134th street that the body of an unidentified man had been taken out of the river at East Sixty-second street. Immediately Policemen John Lober, 32 years old, and De Forrest Fredenberg, 53, were called on an honor roll man, were ordered to take police launch No. 5, proceed to Sixty-second street and from there take the body to the morgue.

Was Mysteriously Disappear. It was about 8:15 when the little launch slipped away from the floating station that since February 1 has been divorced from its old home on Randall's island and been anchored at the foot of New York Central bridge so that at night its searchlights might play on the great steel piers.

A few minutes later the boat docked at the foot of East 134th street and from Officer Lumbard, in charge of the police staterooms, the crew received their night lights. There was no hurry and for a time the murky, uncertain night and how long it would be before the river would begin its spring campaign of giving up its dead.

At this point in the west channel there is a strong ebb close to the Manhattan street that runs counter to the tide. In order to get the advantage of this ebb Lober at the helm hugged the west wharf, passing close to the long, heavy pier in ten seconds he had swept by the pair standing silhouetted in the doorway and slipped into the darkness.

Between eight and ten minutes had elapsed when Capt. Tonnell was believing that about a half hour help from the direction of the river, ran to the door and threw it open. Then the door came clearly—saw a man in a blue uniform and a woman in a blue uniform. The man was the first to be seen. He was a young man, about thirty years of age, and was wearing a blue uniform.

Others heard the call and rushed to wharf. And then the cry ceased. There was nothing to be done except to notify the police and await the time when the waters give up their dead.

Proof That Boat Foundered. Ordinarily Policemen Lober and Fredenberg should have been back at their home station around 10 o'clock. When they did not return at midnight the officers became somewhat interested in the investigation. Then early yesterday morning Policemen Lober and Fredenberg in the river off Ninety-first street saw a small boat with a man and a woman in it. The man was wearing a blue uniform and the woman was wearing a blue uniform.

Philadelphia Police Uncover German Dynamite Plot. PHILADELPHIA, March 11.—Explosives in sufficient quantity to blow up every ship and building at the Philadelphia Navy Yard and to wreck the dry dock have been shipped into League Island since diplomatic relations with Germany were broken off. It was learned today that the explosives were taken in connection with this plot. The technical charge of smuggling preferred against them was made as the highest precedent to procure a search warrant. With this authority agents of the Department of Justice searched from cellar to street last Friday the houses occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Adelbert Koertgen Fischer at 694 Viassahock avenue, Germantown. In their home were found papers sent to them from one or both of the German consuls in Philadelphia, and a number of prominent physicians and surgeons of New York inviting them to enlist in the corps in the event of war, and every effort is being made to bring the membership up to the strength required for a large army.

BERNSTORFF SAFE IN CHRISTIANIA, NORWAY

Ex-Ambassador Says "It's News to Me" When Told of German-Mexican Plot.

CHRISTIANIA, via London, March 11.—Count von Bernstorff on arriving here on board the steamship Frederik VIII. told the Associated Press that he was ignorant of the political developments of the last four weeks and was not in a position therefore to make any comment regarding them. When Ambassador learned of the disclosure of Germany's effort to make an alliance with Mexico he expressed his surprise and added: "It is news to me."

INDIANA TORNADO KILLS 22, HURTS 200

800 Houses Wrecked at Newcastle by Five Minute Blast.

A tornado swept over central eastern Indiana last afternoon, killing more than a score of persons at Newcastles and two children in Wayne county.

The exact number of dead may not be known for a day or two as practically all the bodies thus far found have been dug out of the wreckage of their homes. The search was hampered by darkness, but reports in darkness led to the belief that several more bodies will be found.

3 DEAD IN CINCINNATI. Four Others Probably Fatally Injured by Storm.

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FREAK OF TORNADO. It Carries Man 100 Feet and Drops Him Into Pond.

RICHMOND, Ind., March 11.—Two children were killed and a man was probably fatally injured in a tornado which hit Wayne county today. The storm spent its force just west of Harpersburg, this county, where Ernest Gray's two children were killed when a brick house was demolished.

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'BALANCE' HELD DESPITE DEATH

Vacancy in House, Caused by Sulloway's Demise, to Be Filled Soon.

DISTRICT IS REPUBLICAN

New Hampshire's Governor Expects to Act To-day on Special Election.

WASHINGTON, March 11.—The death of Representative Cyrus A. Sulloway, Republican of New Hampshire, at his hotel here early today is not expected to affect the relative strength of Democratic and Republican parties in the organization of the next House.

Gov. Keyes to Act. Special Election Early in April is Expected.

MANCHESTER, N. H., March 11.—Gov. Henry W. Keyes, Republican, said today he expected to be able to issue a statement to-morrow regarding a special election in the First district to elect a successor to Representative Sulloway, who died in Washington.

Lenroot is Opposed. Move Started in House to Make Gillett Floor Leader.

WASHINGTON, March 11.—A determined attempt to defeat Representative Irvin L. Lenroot of Wisconsin for floor leader by putting up Representative Frank C. Gillett of New York as a rival was made in the conference of House Republicans before the convening of the Sixty-fifth Congress in extraordinary session.

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GERARD LEAVES HAVANA TO-DAY

Withdrawn Ambassador Much Relieved at End of Trip.

ARMED HIMSELF HEAVILY

Had Hint in Berlin Spanish Ship Might Be Held Up or Torpedoed.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. HAVANA, March 11.—James W. Gerard, former Ambassador to Germany, and his party arrived this morning from Coruna, Spain, on board the steamship Infanta Isabel.

But no direct quotation is necessary in order to make understandable his satisfaction at being rid of an intolerable situation, rid of humiliations such as never before endured by an envoy of the United States.

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BAGDAD TAKEN BY BRITISH; TURKS, ROUTED IN BATTLE, ARE NOW IN WILD FLIGHT



Where British and Russians Are Driving the Turks.

MAP of Asia Minor, where the British have won a notable victory by capturing Bagdad and a Russo-British drive to clear the Turks from their Asiatic Empire and reach Constantinople has begun.

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WILSON RUSHES NAVY'S WORK OF ARMING SHIPS

Carrying Out of His Plans Is Proceeding Day and Night.

NEW WARNING BY KAISER REPORTED

American Gun Crews Will Not Be Hampered by Special Orders.

PROTECTION OF FLAG TO BE GUIDING RULE

Vessel's Master Will Have No Control Over Naval Gunners.

WASHINGTON, March 11.—While reports were current here to-day that the German Emperor would issue a final and solemn warning to the United States against defying the imperial barred zone decree, President Wilson directed that the Navy Department proceed at once with all arrangements for the arming of American merchantmen and the detail of expert navy gunners.

The work of making the President's orders operative proceeded in expeditious and clocklike fashion throughout the day and well into the night.

Protection of Flag. There has been no necessity for ordering the commissioned or warrant officers in command of the guns to conform to special orders drawn up for the occasion.

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CONFESSES AS INDIA PLOTTER

4,441,200 DEAD, IS TOLL OF WAR

Columbia Student Sent to Japan by Von Papen to Buy Arms.

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