

GERMAN SEA RAIDER IN UNITED STATES PORT.

been received I will take up with him the nature of repairs necessary to make his ship seaworthy. Upon that will determine how long this government will permit the Eitel Friedrich to remain in American waters without internment.

Officers of the Eitel Friedrich remain silent as to operations of the ship in Pacific waters, except to deny that she took part in any naval engagement. It is reported, however, that some ship, name unknown, furnished the Prinz Eitel with 5,000 tons of coal off Valparaiso some weeks ago. That at least three British warships were in pursuit of the Eitel Friedrich when she reached American waters early yesterday morning has been established by an officer of one of the sunken British ships the commander of the German cruiser stated that, judging from wireless messages, the British ships, one was within ten miles, the other thirty or forty and the third about 100 miles from the reached the three-mile limit of the Virginia capes.

BRITISH WARSHIPS REPORTED ON WATCH FOR PRINZ EITEL

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., March 11.—A British report received today from Eitel Friedrich had been in these waters for more than thirty-six hours and no signs of any intention to move were apparent. Rumors were persistent that British cruisers were lurking off the Virginia capes, but the report was given to officers of the German cruiser declared that members of the crew had said that the Eitel Friedrich actually had been chased into American waters by British warships.

agree not to bear arms against Germany nor to ally with her. List of Sunken Vessels. The list of vessels sunk by the Prinz Eitel Friedrich is as follows: British sailing ship Invercoe, W. J. King, master; crew, 23. Owner, Inverline of Aberdeen, Scotland; sunk February 12.

Asked Not to Use Wireless. Collector Hamilton has requested the commander of the German vessel not to use his wireless apparatus while in port. The collector will permit to be landed and delivered to the port authorities to be forwarded to New York from 150 sacks of mail taken from the steamer Florida, J. W. Edwards, master, from Havre to South American ports.

French steamship Florida, Monsson, master; crew, 78; passengers, 86. Owner, Generale Trans-Atlantique; sunk February 19. British steamship Willerby, J. Wedgwood, master; crew, 23. Owner, Ropner & Co. of West Hartlepool; sunk February 20.

Attempt to Hunt in Pacific. Poor Hunting in Pacific. Capt. Kiehne of the William P. Frye, spent last night aboard the Prinz Eitel Friedrich.

Asked why the Eitel Friedrich left the Pacific, Paymaster Lousseau, who last night, representing Commander Thierichsen, said: "Because we found little to do. We were after merchantmen and for days we cruised about and saw nothing. We had better luck. We were surprised not to find British ships in the Atlantic."

Value of Sunken Frye. Capt. Kiehne said his ship was valued, with its supplies, at about \$260,000, and that the cargo of wheat was worth \$60,000.

Passengers aboard the Eitel stated they were given every comfort and consideration.

Tension of the Voyage. "Oh, the terrible tension of a voyage on a converted cruiser," said M. Maszar, at his hotel. "Unless one has experienced it they would not understand. And the women! They suffered and suffered as they suffered at any moment they might have been sent to the bottom of the sea by a torpedo, perhaps even from a ship which flew the American flag."

When the German cruiser entered this port she might well have had on board Germans, Frenchmen, Russians, Englishmen, Irishmen, North American and other nationalities. The ship's officers and crew being captives of the English, they were treated with respect and honor.

Captain of U. S. Ship Tells of Vain Protest to Germans. NEWPORT NEWS, Va., March 11.—H. E. Kiehne, master of the American ship William P. Frye, sunk by the German auxiliary cruiser Prinz Eitel Friedrich, which put in here yesterday, after leaving the Eitel Friedrich with Customs Collector Hamilton, told a dramatic story of his experience. With him were his wife and two children. His vessel was bound from Seattle to Queenstown with 5,200 tons of wheat.

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Apparently the grain was not being thrown overboard, for he sent a half-hundred of his men aboard soon after midnight, and they were kept for hours without interruption. However, it was slow at best, and I was informed about 10 o'clock at night, having sent the other ship to the bottom, as I afterward ascertained.

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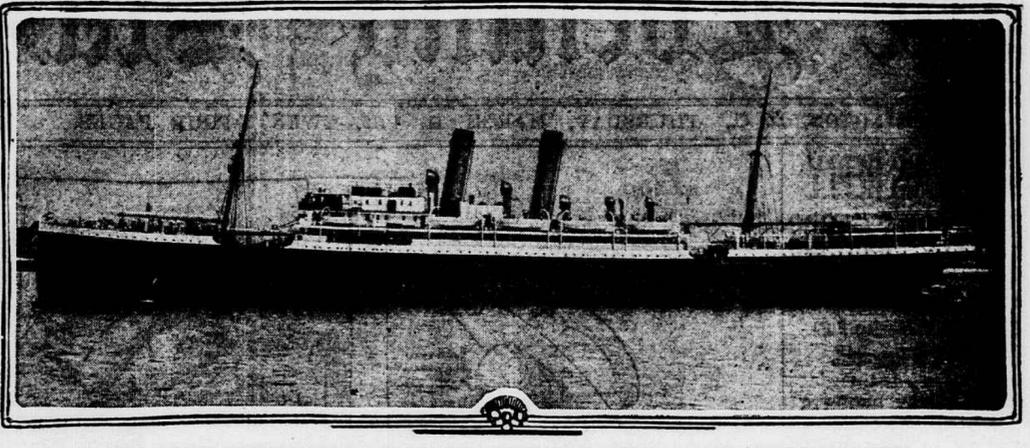
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THE GERMAN AUXILIARY CRUISER PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH, FORMERLY A NORTH GERMAN LLOYD LINER.

WHEAT CARGO OF THE FRYE NOT CONTRABAND, IS CLAIMED

The cargo of wheat carried by the American ship William P. Frye, sunk on the high seas by the German cruiser Prinz Eitel Friedrich, was not contraband according to statements made to the Treasury Department by the owner, M. H. Houser of Portland, Ore. The cargo was shipped at Portland and consigned to the owners at Queenstown, and therefore not subject to the interpretation that it was destined for the use of belligerents in the field, which would have constituted it contraband of war.

War Officially Reported

PARIS, March 11, via London: A British attack yesterday resulted in the capture of 2,600 meters (nearly one and one-half miles) of trenches before Neuve Chapelle (Flanders) and of the village itself. It progressed in the direction of Aubers as far as Pietre Mill and in a southeasterly direction as far as the northern border of Bois du Dubiez; that is to say, a distance of about two kilometers beyond Neuve Chapelle. The German artillery fired only a few shots.

GERMAN AMBASSADOR CONFERS WITH PREMIER SALANDRA OF ITALY

ROME, via Paris, March 11.—Prince von Buelow, the German ambassador, called at the home office and conferred for an hour with Premier Salandra. An announcement was made regarding the subject discussed, but there is much comment in the city regarding the matter. The following official statement has been issued in the war office: With the battle of Wednesday and those of the last few days the winter battle in Champagne has come to an end, and no future events can change anything in the situation.

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UNTRAINED LANDSTURM CALLED.

AMSTERDAM, via London, March 11.—The Telegram learns that the untrained landsturm classes of 1899 have been called to the colors in the Rhine provinces.

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PERSIAN EVACUATION REPORTED.

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WILL BE TRIED FOR TREASON.

COLOGNE, via London, March 11.—According to the Cologne Gazette, the five-year general of Belgium, Gen. van Bissing, has caused the arrest of five Belgian officials on an allegation that they induced Belgian customs officers to go through Holland in order to evade the duties on goods.

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GET NITROGEN PRODUCTS FROM AIR.

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The contention of the commander of the German converted cruiser Prinz Eitel that the American ship William P. Frye, which she sank in the south Atlantic, had contraband of war aboard and therefore destruction was justified, has been set up as a plea in other cases, but never has been recognized by the United States as the only explanation for such action on the part of a belligerent.

Expected to Ask Damages. That the United States would ask for damages and an explanation from the German government was regarded as certain. Some officials thought the Berlin government would find itself compelled to repudiate the sinking of the Frye, or at least to make some concession in return for the return of the ship's papers and other valuables.

Protested to Russia. In the Russo-Japanese war the United States protested to the Russian government against the sinking of the American ship, the crew testified that the vessel had been sunk for want of coal to proceed to Vladivostok, and the United States protested against the capture of the vessel.

AUSTRIAN STATEMENT. VIENNA, via London, March 11: In Russian Poland vigorous fighting continues. In western Galicia our troops have captured still more ground south of Gorlice. In storming one trench more than 200 prisoners were taken.

Moore Discusses Issue. John Bassett Moore, former counselor of the State Department, in reviewing those discussions, said the correspondence served to emphasize the potentially important relation of the question of contraband to the question of neutral commerce.

Captain's Change in Plan. Some Washington officials were inclined to view the action of the commander of the German auxiliary cruiser Prinz Eitel Friedrich, which put in here yesterday, after leaving the Eitel Friedrich with Customs Collector Hamilton, told a dramatic story of his experience.

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THREE OTHER VESSELS SUNK BY PRINZ EITEL

Captured in the Pacific and Their Crews Landed on Other Shores. NEWPORT NEWS, Va., March 11.—The German commander seems to feel he was acting within his rights when he jettisoned the wheat cargo of the Frye and then sent the big sailer to the bottom.

Other Vessels Sunk. In addition to the list of eight prizes, all sunk in the Atlantic by the Prinz Eitel, which Commander Thierichsen gave last night to Customs Collector Hamilton, it was said here today that three more vessels had been sunk in the Pacific by the German raider on her voyages, but their crews had been landed at other ports, and they were therefore not mentioned in the list.

Speedy Oil Lease Decision is Urged. Secretary Lane is Told Osage Indians Are Losing Heavily. Quick action was urged upon Secretary Lane this morning in the settlement of the question as to whether the Osage oil lands should be re-leased to the present holder, or to the numerous smaller companies subsisting on the Osage lands.

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Many Urge Separate Renewals. Representatives of oil and gas companies interested in the Osage land lease question gave yesterday testimony before Secretary Lane yesterday afternoon.

Desclaux Trial Postponed. PARIS, March 11.—The court martial which was to have met March 10 to try Francois Desclaux, general postmaster of the army, on a charge of having stolen military stores, has postponed its sitting to March 22.

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