

500 VOYAGES  
15 SHIPS LOST

Belgian Relief Commission Not Wor-  
rying About Relief Ships Being  
Lost—15 Ships, Insured, Lost.

220,000 REFUGEES IN ENGLAND

Three Hundred Thousand Dollars a  
Month Contributed by Belgians in  
England—Making Brave Fight

Before sailing for Europe today in  
the Spanish ship, Antonio Lopez, Mr.  
Hoover was asked if recent incidents  
drag down the Commission, Mr. Ho-  
over said:

"We have sixteen ships loaded with  
grain on the ocean now, and will  
start six more this week. Ten mil-  
lions of bushels of the wheat from  
their very lives upon the arrival of  
these cargoes before mid-April.

"The Commission has passed  
through a dozen crises before, but  
the fact that the cry of 10,000,000  
helpless people cannot remain un-  
heard, and the ability, courage, and  
resolution of my colleagues has with-  
ered every storm so far.

"We have lost 15 ships in the last  
two years, all of them insured, out of  
500 voyages. We have not thrown  
up our hands before on such inci-  
dents, nor will we do so now. At the  
worst this is in the nature of inci-  
dental misfortune, and it is unthink-  
able that most of our ships should  
not reach their destination. Every-  
one of these ships that leave a North  
Atlantic or Gulf port carries with her  
ster acting upon authority from the  
German Government guaranteeing  
our flag, and their routes are accept-  
ed by the German Government as safe  
from their attack.

"Of our ten million wards, two and  
one-half millions are in the occupied  
portion of France and are fed  
through money given to us by France.

"Of the seven millions and a half  
remaining in Belgium, more than  
three millions and a half are totally  
destitute, and their governments  
their financial institutions, and their  
wealthy individuals are unable to  
provide for them, although they have  
unmistakably divided all they have.  
These are dependents upon the con-  
science and good will of the world,  
Great Britain, and France, and the  
Belgian government at Le Havre up  
to now, have contributed ninety-one  
per cent of the funds for these three  
millions and a half destitute.

"Three hundred thousand dollars a  
month approximately is contributed  
by Belgian refugees in England from  
their earnings in British industries.  
Of 220,000 Belgian refugees in Eng-  
land, only 15,000 mostly women and  
children, are employed. I want par-  
ticularly to emphasize this point be-  
cause Belgians have a right to  
aspire to the same conditions as we  
have here in Denison, was  
here Monday visiting with his moth-  
er and with other relatives.

Elmer Watson's team ran away  
Tuesday when he was about two miles  
from home, one of the horses stumbled  
and fell frightening the other one  
and they started to run and Elmer  
finding he couldn't stop them decided  
he had better jump out, which he did,  
landing on his left knee, and right  
shoulder but not badly hurt. The  
horses got loose from the wagon  
which upset and they ran for home  
losing part of the harness along the  
way. John Jurgensen brought Mr.  
Watson and the mail wagon into  
town.

School election here last Monday  
was very quiet as only a few votes  
were cast, the new director being  
Theo. Rohrer, and John Claussen.  
August Rieckert and Hugo Krohnke  
are sojourning at Exelsior Springs,  
Mo.

Martin Schultz went to Sioux City  
Tuesday to have his eyes examined  
again.

Mr. Theo. Wunderlich has returned  
from Omaha where he had a minor  
operation performed.

Bernard Kortman died quite sud-  
denly last Tuesday from blood poi-  
soning. He had scratched his finger  
in some way with blood poisoning  
setting in and was only a short time  
until he passed away. He was a  
young man but 21 years of age. All  
sympathize with the bereaved rela-  
tives.

Mr. Ferdinand Miller and family  
have moved here from Ute and will  
live on the Bachaus farm which he  
recently purchased.

Friends of Mrs. Moder Bruggen  
formerly of this place, but now of  
Denison are pleased to hear she  
stood her operation nicely and is on  
the road to recovery.

John Rusch, who has been seeing  
army life in Mexico, is here for a visit  
with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claus  
Rusch and other relatives.

Miss Martha Stogeman spent last  
week visiting in the Neddermeyer  
home at Ute.

Mr. Pete Botsch left on Saturday  
for his home at Leigh, Nebr., to visit  
his parents and then will go to farm-  
ing near Meadow Grove, Nebr.

Herman Neddermeyer, of Ute, is  
visiting in the Otto Stegeman home.

The C. C. C. club spent Friday after-  
noon with Mrs. Merman Schroeder  
and spent a very pleasant hour.

Miss Marie Nelwoner was hostess  
to the Puellae club at the B. S. And-  
ersen home on Monday evening.

The German Ladies Club met with  
Mrs. John Ehlers on Wednesday after-  
noon and all enjoyed the time in a  
social way and a nice lunch was served  
at the close of the afternoon.

The commercial club gave a club  
dance on Thursday evening in the  
O. O. F. hall when a nice crowd  
were present. Delicious refreshments  
were served to the guests about mid-  
night.

Mrs. Emil Kuehl's birthday was ob-  
served Saturday evening when a num-  
ber of relatives and friends spent the  
evening with her.

The Review and Chicago  
Daily Tribune, 1 year for \$4.00

say nothing of the British posses-  
sions overseas, are burdened with  
such taxation as would have been  
considered impossible before the war;  
in addition they have had their own  
wounded, their own widows, and or-  
phans to care for, and their own in-  
terrupted commerce to struggle with.  
And yet, without argument, without  
delay, they have dispensed a charity  
which will be one of the marvels of  
history, for they have handed to the  
Commission, as I have told you be-  
fore, more than ninety per cent of  
all the money spent by the Commis-  
sion for the feeding of Belgium.

"This Commission was founded by  
the intervention of the American  
government and carried on by her  
citizens. Today it is the largest ven-  
ture in the history of international  
benevolence, economic service and of  
charity. It stands to the world as an  
American institution, and has so far  
brought lustre to the American peo-  
ple. Its continued success should be  
a matter of first American pride. But  
this credit to the United States car-  
ries a responsibility and a national  
duty.

"No war or other difficulty into  
which America may be plunged can  
absolve her from this duty, and least  
of all from following the example of  
France and Great Britain. The tempta-  
tion to cease giving to others  
should not be yielded to each time a  
ship is lost, or the rumors of war be-  
come alarming. I cannot believe that  
our people will succumb to such first  
impulses.

"I leave for Europe knowing that  
administrative body has succeeded so far;  
I know that if we are obliged to  
take our men out of Belgium, the  
Dutch and the Spaniards who suc-  
ceed us inside the German lines will  
work ably and effectively to carry on  
the organization we have built up.  
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Jesse Deiter got a bunch of feeders  
Tuesday at Vail.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kock spent last  
Wednesday evening with Mr. and  
Mrs. Carl Janger southeast of Arcadia.

For the first time in Jackson the  
women voted at the school election  
last Monday. Mrs. Wm. Meyer and  
Mrs. Chas. Koeneck voted for a new  
school house in district No. 4. Seven-  
teen votes were cast for a new build-  
ing and none against.

Lew Kerrigan brought his father  
home Tuesday morning so as to take  
care of him.

The wind and sleet Friday morning  
destroyed the telephone wires and  
broke many poles both on the West  
Side and Vail lines.

Mr. John Blessington, Sr. is tak-  
ing care of Mrs. Geo. Brotherson,  
Earl Hoffman, of Minnesota, came  
Wednesday to help Lew Kerrigan  
with the road work this summer.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. F.  
Jans has been quite sick with bron-  
chitis the past week. A doctor was  
called several times, but the little  
fellow is a little better at this writ-  
ing. Mrs. Fred Rickers spent a few  
days there.

Mrs. C. Kuehl and baby left the  
middle of last week for their home  
near Dundee, Minn., after a week's  
stay with her mother.

Miss Frances Voegel spent a few  
days with her sister, Mrs. Frank Pfan-  
kuch, the past week.

Several of our neighbors were invit-  
ed to a card party at the Hannos  
Thies home Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dozark gave a  
social dance to their many relatives  
and friends Friday evening. William  
Kuck furnished the music.

Chas. O'Donnell and son, Charles,  
Jr., spent a few hours at the Rickers  
home Saturday evening.

Wm. Kock went to Lanesboro Sat-  
urday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Jans and chil-  
dren and Rudolph Kock Sunday at  
the Fred Rickers home.

Leroy Shaffer was taken to a hospi-  
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Mrs. Isaac Hird and Mrs. Allen Bar-  
ber entertained the Guild of the Pres-  
byterian church Friday afternoon at  
the home of the former.

Miss Mary Owens, of Des Moines,  
visited friends here this week.

T. E. Dyson was an Omaha business  
visitor Tuesday, Wednesday and Thurs-  
day.

Walter Shimmerman returned home  
from Sioux City Wednesday, where  
he had his tonsils removed.

Mrs. J. J. Martin, of Shenandoah,  
a sister of Miss Pearl Anderson, is sub-  
stituting in the high school for the lat-  
ter during her sickness.

The school election was held last  
Monday, those elected being Dr. W. E.  
E. Liggett and Earl McLaren for three  
years and T. E. Dyson for two years.

Miss Marie Peper came down from  
Buck Grove Thursday for a few days'  
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Claus Peper.