

AMERICAN LINER WAS READY FOR ANY EMERGENCY

No Submarine Was Sighted. Signs of War Found A-plenty.

London, Monday, March 26 (Delayed by Censor).—From a staff correspondent of the associated press.—The St. Louis, the first passenger vessel carrying the American flag to cross the Atlantic since Germany's declaration of unrestricted submarine destruction and the first armed American liner to enter a European port since the war began, arrived this morning. She carried a meager number of passengers—33 all told—but her holds were filled to capacity with non-contraband freight.

The St. Louis came through without interruption. No submarines were sighted, nor were there at any time any indications that German under-seas boats were after the big liner. If any of them saw the St. Louis, it made no attempt to destroy her, but kept carefully away from the guns of the American ship.

Signs of War Are Many.

But signs of war were not lacking, and the last three days aboard were anxious ones for passengers and crew alike. On Friday and again at Saturday, after the St. Louis entered the forbidden zone, driftwood was passed—apparently parts of destroyed life-boats. Yesterday a great field of oil was encountered. Vague rumors of the sinking of ships either ahead of or near the St. Louis increased the nervous tension.

Rushed Through Zone.

For three days and nights the captain did not leave the bridge, and never in her 22 years of existence has the American ship been driven so furiously as she was from the time she passed into the zone until she was picked up by a pilot.

The journey was without incident until the war zone was reached. Unusual precautions were taken as soon as the liner passed the Ambrose light, but as she neared the danger point even the life boats were made ready for immediate use. Reflectors were strung up fore and aft and carbide lights were tied along the rails for use in event the St. Louis became the victim of a torpedo or gun fire.

GRAND DUKES SUPPORT NEW REGIME IN RUSSIA

Petrograd, March 27 (via London).—The grand dukes and the royal princes, in a joint telegram addressed to the provisional government today, not only formally associate themselves with the abdication of Grand Duke Michael but also turn over to the new government their official wealth, namely, their holdings of crown lands and other state grants heretofore attaching to their station.

The telegram reads: "Grand Duke Nicholas Nicholasovitch, Nicholas Michaelovitch, Alexander Michaelovitch and his family; Boris Vladimirovitch, Serge Michaelovitch, Georges Michaelovitch and Dmitri Constantinovitch and Princes Gabriel Constantinovitch, Igor Constantinovitch and Alexandre of Oldenburg, inspired by love of country, have associated themselves entirely in the considerations expressed in the act of abdication signed by Grand Duke Michael Alexandrovitch and express at the same time the firm resolution to support in every way the provisional government.

"As to their appanage, the grand dukes express the opinion that in consequence of this act it becomes the property of the state."



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GEN. MANN STRONG IN PRAISE OF THE STATE MILITIAMEN

Chief of Army's Militia Division Declares System is Not Worth While.

New York, March 27.—Reasons for the army general staff's conclusion that the national guard system is not worth while for federal purposes were outlined by Brig. Gen. William A. Mann, chief of the war department's militia bureau, in an address today before the convention here of the National Guard association.

Declaring that the border mobilization had demonstrated the efficiency and patriotism of the officers and men of the guard and the inefficiency and inadequacy of the guard system, General Mann advocated universal military service because "the only safe system for us now is the strongest and best that we can get—one that puts under the immediate and unembarrassed control of the federal government all of the resources of the nation."

It's Worth Preserving.

Addressing himself specifically to the question "Is the national guard worth preserving?" General Mann said: "When one considers that the members of the National Guard have been the only citizens who have made an organized effort to provide the government with a military force for use in an emergency to back up the small regular army, the question can have but one answer as far as the personnel is concerned. They should have all praise and the militia bureau has gone on record as opposing legislative effort to abolish the national guard as a system until something better is actually substituted.

System is Wrong.

"The general staff, in recently proposing a scheme for universal training, has endeavored to provide a place for all of the National Guard who desire to continue their laudable efforts to serve the nation in building up a dependable military force.

"As to the system itself being worth preserving, I will answer by saying that it may be worth while for state purposes, but not for federal. The dual control of a federal military force negatives at once its attaining a real efficiency for federal military purposes."

RUSSIANS FORCED BACK AS ENTENTE MOVES UP

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the Baranovichi region, southeast of Vilna, were at first unsuccessful, the war office announced today. A discharge of gas, accompanying the second attack, however, compelled the Russians to fall back. The statement reads:

"In the region of Postavy, south of Baranovichi, German artillery displayed greater activity. In the region of Darselubury the enemy attacked our troops on the western bank of the river Shara. The first attack was repulsed, but a second, accompanied by a discharge of asphyxiating gases, obliged our troops to fall back in an easterly direction.

"Enemy airplanes set fire to two of our captive balloons. Two enemy airplanes were hit by our fire and fell into our lines. The aviators were made prisoner.

"On the Caucasus front: There were scouting reconnaissances and rifle firing.

"On the Italian front: There were reciprocal reconnaissances and rifle firing.

"General Cadorna is quoted by the Giornale d'Italia as saying to Salvatore Barzilai, governor of the occupied Austrian territory:

"Whether they come or not, I am acting on the principle that they will and in force. I am conscious of having neglected nothing that past experience may have taught."

BABY WELLS DEAD.

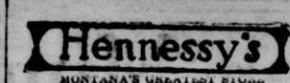
The five-week-old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Wells of 1811 Lowell avenue died this morning from pneumonia. Mr. Wells is a brother of Archie Wells, a reporter on the Butte Miner. He and his family have been residents of Butte only a few weeks, coming here from Idaho. Funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

DANIEL HANLEY HERE.

Daniel Hanley, one of the old-time residents of this city, now a resident of Lewistown, is a candidate for mayor in that city on the independent ticket. The independents have a full ticket in the field and are making a big fight for victory over what is known as the citizens ticket.

CASE CONTINUED.

The case of F. D. Williams, as receiver of the State Savings bank, against Fred Wagner and George N. Marsh, which was to have been heard before Judge Lynch this afternoon, was continued until Saturday on the ground that the case was in course of settlement. It is an action to recover \$3,000 on promissory notes.



Purchases Charged Tomorrow, Wednesday, Will Be Placed on April Accounts



Easter Readiness In the Men's Store

READY with everything a man can ask for in the way of clothing and furnishings for his spring and Easter outfit. The range is so broad that every man's requirements can be exactly met and priced as low as it is safe to pay for the quality and furnishings of the right quality.

SUITS new and fine, in a world of beautiful fabrics and patterns and tailored to give the same perfection of fit as any custom-tailored garments, yet priced at about half what you would be asked to pay for the made-to-measure kind.

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TOPCOATS for men who appreciate smart style and precision in tailoring. Here you will find popular new pinch-back and effects as well as many, many styles in the very choicest of fabrics and patterns and in sizes to fit the size man.

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Shirts and Neckwear

Will Be on Most Every Man's Easter Shopping List

AND the man who appreciates the advantages of choosing amongst the new styles while they are new, and who is in the matter of getting full value for his money will see to it that he delays not a day longer in making his selections, and that he chooses them in the Hennessy men's store.

SHIRTS—A wonderful assortment of new spring patterns, headed by the famous Manhattan make, are ready for your inspection, in any good style you could ask for and in a complete range of sizes. Prices start as low as \$1.50.

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It Will Be a Pleasure to Show You These Arrivals at Any Time In Our Men's Store

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MAKES RECORD IN SECURING SERVICE

Sheriff Reports on 100 Out of 110 Names Drawn for Jury Duty.

Sheriff John K. O'Rourke's force made a record in securing service on those drawn for jury duty. When the return was presented to Judge Lynch this morning it was found that service had been secured on 100 persons out of 110 drawn.

As is usual there were a large number who wished to get clear of jury service, but even at that there were found to be more men willing to serve on the panel than the judge desired. He decided that 40 persons would be sufficient and he had 49 willing to serve, so nine had to be eliminated by means of the drawing of lots. This was the first time in at least many years when more persons were willing to serve on a jury panel than the court desired.

The following are the names of the 40 persons retained for service: Harry E. Atwood, Frank Bayley, Joe Berkopec, William G. Burke, John Cucovich, Luke Dunn, William Fleming, C. T. Griffith, Wilmer Hall, Jerry Harrington, Dan Harrington, Frank E. Haskins, Julian Hudtloff, Joseph Janosky, J. Johns, Joe Knight, John Lawson, Mike Leahy, Alfred Lemelin, Mike Loughren, Angus E. McLeod, Thomas McHugh, John McNamara, E. L. Mahoney, Thomas Mooney, William Paul, Frank Putzell, Ed Quilan, A. Rauh, Henry Skewes, Alexander Smith, J. C. Smith, Richard J. Stodden, William R. Thomas, Ed Tippett, Sam Tomic, W. E. Tracey, F. J. Walsh, Russell Whindon, Charles F. Williamson.

NOT BRIBERY, BUT A SETTLEMENT

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talked with the mayor previously about a compromise that was being effected with the Billingsleys, and the

chief knew the papers, seized when the Billingsley Night and Day drug store was smashed, were to be returned.

The defendants on trial are Mayor Hiram C. Gill, Chief of Police Charles L. Beckingham and City Detectives Peyser, Poolman, Doom, and McLennan, charged with conspiracy to violate the federal laws by importation of liquor into the state of Washington.

Subpena for Papers.

On the morning of August 30, Chief Beckingham testified, while he was in the hallway at headquarters talking to some other men, a constable read a paper to him, but he paid no attention to the constable and did not know until hours afterward that it was a subpoena from the county prosecutor's office and commanded him to produce the Billingsley papers in the superior court, where the Billingsley brothers were to be arraigned that afternoon for alleged forgery of liquor permits.

The chief testified that on going to his office about 2 o'clock that afternoon he observed Logan Billingsley in the ante room. Shortly afterward the mayor came in and said:

"I suppose you know we have made a settlement with the Billingsleys. Why are not their papers returned? I am told they have been around complaining about not getting the papers."

The chief thereupon sent Capt. Charles Sullivan to Sergeant Putnam of the dry squad to get the papers. Putnam refused to deliver them until Sullivan went a second time with peremptory orders. Logan Billingsley was called in and introduced to the mayor. Billingsley began to gather up the papers as Sullivan went out of the door. The witness said, "I suppose you know there is a subpoena out for these papers?" Mayor Gill, he said, became very angry and said:

"What are you trying to do? Get us all in jail?"

The chief testified that he said to Logan Billingsley, who had started to leave with the papers:

"Hold on there."

The chief then said to the mayor: "What shall we do with these papers?" and the mayor replied: "I don't care damn what you do with them," and left the room. Billingsley also departed with the papers.

must be held for the forgery case against the Billingsleys, but witness' remembrance was that Lundin called while Billingsley was in the office. Lundin has testified that the telephone conversation occurred before noon.

Beckingham, after much questioning, said he was not sure that the Billingsleys had ever at any time before August 30 promised him to quit liquor selling.

Beckingham swore that he did not know, at any time between August 30 and the time of the federal investigation in November, that the Billingsleys were selling liquor, and he had not believed they were even when Sergeant Putnam warned him that they were. The chief had believed the Billingsleys told him the truth until he found they were cheating him.

ACCEPT ONLY GOVERNMENT FREIGHT FOR GULF PORTS

San Francisco, March 27.—The Southern Pacific company declared an embargo today, effective tomorrow, on all eastbound freight over the Sunset-Gulf route, except United States government shipments, because of lack of vessels to handle the freight from gulf ports to the Atlantic seaboard.

NO NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN STRIKE SETTLEMENT

Great Falls, Mont., March 27.—There are no new developments in the proposed settlement of the labor trouble here today, the joint committee of 10 each from the employers' association and the unions of the city, being in conference again all of today, and announcing that so far the meetings have been harmonious. It is expected that several days may pass before a final conclusion will be reached by the committee.

J. Buckley and J. Scanlan were passengers this afternoon over the Great Northern for Flint, Mich., where they will visit friends and may locate.

Prosecutor Wanted the Papers Beckingham admitted that County Prosecutor Lundin had called him on the telephone and told him the papers

LEWIS A. SMITH

Republican Candidate and Citizens' Choice FOR MAYOR

I will get the best men that I can find to place at the head of each of the departments of the city, regardless of their present political affiliation.

A man will have to possess better qualifications than political affiliations to get a job with the city, if I am mayor.

The city is entitled to the Same Clean Business Management that one's one private affairs should receive.

Do You employ a man in your private business who can do the work? Then why should a man be placed at the head (or any other place) of an important department of the city Simply as a Favor.

How long would a private business last if there were at the head of its various departments men selected because they were political creditors?

Mr. Taxpayer, Who Has to Pay for the Blunders and Mistakes (if any are made) in the City Engineer's Office, City Attorney's Office? Think what it will cost the City of Butte if either of these offices are filled by political favorites instead of men chosen for Their Ability Alone. Men who are willing to give to the city the very best that is in them.

Mr. and Mrs. Taxpayer, Whose Fight is This? God bless them. I believe the people should know how much money is spent by the city, and each of its departments, each year, and what it is being spent for, just how much is on hand, just how much the city is in debt, so that Butte's taxpayers will know the exact condition of the city's finances and it will be my policy to give this information to the people each month through the press of the city.

My service in the City Council of Butte is two years. Chairman of the Judiciary Committee, one year as President of the City Council and acting mayor during the absence of the Mayor from the city.

I have had the experience. I will not require two years to get acquainted with the duties of my office or to find out what the city needs and how to supply these needs.

I believe that a man working for the city should be honest and fair day's work. It should not take three years to do the work of one for the city any more than it should for a private business.

I HAVE NO POLITICAL DEBTS TO PAY AND I VOW TO BESTOW. My efforts will be for a Butte that is obtainable for each of the appointive offices, including the heads of each department.

LEWIS A. SMITH, Butte's Next Mayor