

SEARCHING FOR BODIES

LIVES ARE LOST CAPTAIN THINKS

Ohio River Disaster is Described by the Captain of the Wrecked Steamer.

RESCUE WORK ORDERLY Special Train Picks Up Survivors Scattered along River Bank for Four Miles.

PARKERSBURG, Jan. 6.—Captain Brady M. Berry and sixty-two passengers and crew of the steamer Kanawha, which sank in the Ohio river at dam, No. 19, last night, arrived here early today on a special train sent out by the Baltimore and Ohio railroad to pick up survivors scattered along four miles of the river front on the West Virginia side. Captain Berry said that while he saw no one in the water and did not know that any had been lost, he felt sure there had been fatalities. He was waiting, he said, until daylight to return to the scene of the disaster, where a thorough search would be made. Meanwhile the Kanawha, a total loss, lay bottom up in the stream five miles from where it struck. "We were moving swiftly down stream about 7:30 o'clock last night with a crew of about forty and some twenty passengers of whom a dozen were women," said Captain Berry. "The weather had been bad but just as we were approaching the lower end of the lock wall the water on the West Virginia side, we were struck by a severe storm. Ordinarily a light shines out from the must on the wall but last night there was no light there, and before we knew what was happening the Kanawha had struck the iron pier a little forward of the boiler. It started to sink immediately and within three minutes had gone down. "I shouted for the boats and in a very few minutes the men were getting out the four life boats we had on board. The cries of the passengers aroused the men at the lock. They put out a swim and came to our assistance. The lights went out within a minute after we struck and there was great confusion. We managed after a little while to convince the passengers we would get them off and hurried them to the hurricane deck. "The Kanawha began to turn on its side and it continued to turn, the people moving always toward the top and the water rose higher and higher while we were taking them off. Finally it turned completely over but fortunately the most of them had been removed by this time, but when the last man stepped into the lifeboat it was bottom up on the river bed. "More than an hour elapsed from the time we hit the lock wall until all were off and as someone was being landed every time a boat made a trip to the shore, you can see that survivors were scattered shivering in the cold and suffering from a shock through a distance of fully four miles along the shore. When I saw that all were off I shouted to the crew and took me off. We then rounded up as many as we could and soon afterwards heard that the Baltimore and Ohio was sending a train as far as Meldahl's station to take us back to Parkersburg. "I don't know whether anyone was lost. The crew numbered between forty and forty-five and we had about twenty passengers. I am unable to say how many because the passengers list was lost with everything else on board. I know there were twelve women and we got them off first, not a man except the boatmen to row them to shore being allowed to leave the boat until they were gone. One of the women I found in a fainting condition at the pilot house and we got her off, too. "I heard some of the boys say that the boat load went to the Ohio shore but of that I don't know, but we will clear that up in the morning. The cargo was worth something, too, because we had a good trip."

GRAFTON QUINTET

Will Play St. Mary's Club Five Friday Evening on St. Mary's Floor.

The fast St. Mary's club basketball five will play a picked team of stars from Grafton on the St. Mary's gymnasium floor Friday evening. The game will be started at 8:15 o'clock. The Grafton team will be composed of the best players on the Young Men's Christian Association five and the Independent five and as both teams are considered fast teams, the team composed of the best players on both teams should make it interesting for the St. Mary's quintet. After a week of hard practice the St. Mary's team looks fifty per cent stronger than it did against the Buckhannon Collegians and with "Shorly" Bradford, the old Bethany star in the line-up the team will be much stronger. Manager McGraw will pick the five men to start the game Friday evening from the following well known players: Harvey Williams, Jesse Williams, Bradford, McAndrew, Richardson and Crummitt.

LIKELY TO ATTEND.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—President Wilson probably will go to Springfield, Ill., February 12, to attend a celebration of Lincoln's birthday. The invitation was extended several weeks ago by Governor Dunne of Illinois. The president is trying to arrange other engagements so that he can accept, and if he goes he will deliver an address.

BANK STATEMENTS.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—The comptroller of the currency today issued a call to all national banks requiring them to report to him their conditions at the close of business on Friday, December 31.

MOCK TRIAL.

A mock trial will be held Monday night in the colored Trinity Methodist Episcopal church.

FEARFUL OF FUTURE IS JUDGE GARY NOW

Issues Timely Warning against Wild Pace in Business Brought by War.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the United States Steel Corporation, has issued a statement dealing in detail with prevailing prosperous conditions in the steel and iron trade, together with a forecast of the future of that industry. Reference is made to the European conflict in its world-wide application to economic conditions. Judge Gary calls attention to the dangers of over-production and inflation by manufacturers and bankers, resulting from over-confidence and the aid of the government is invoked for adequate protection of the country's industries. In part the statement says: "It will be admitted by all manu-

PROMINENT MEN OF FINANCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL WORLD SEE PROSPERITY IN HUGE TIDE VISIT UNITED STATES IN 1916



Left to right, top: Frank A. Vanderlip, president National City Bank, New York; A. H. Smith, president New York Central lines; Daniel Willard, president Baltimore & Ohio road. Bottom: E. H. Gary, head of the steel trust; T. M. Yall, president Bell Telephone Co.; Stuyvesant Fish, New York financier.

Frank A. Vanderlip, Otto H. Kahn, Stuyvesant Fish, Theodore N. Vail, E. H. Gary, and a score of other prominent Wall street men, including Daniel Willard, A. H. Smith, E. B. Thomas and several other railway presidents, have expressed the belief that the general business outlook for 1916 is exceedingly bright. They are confident times will be better during this year than has been the case for many years past.

PENFIELD IS TOLD TO ASK AUSTRIA FOR INFORMATION

Which It May Have on Sinking of the Persia Steamer by a Submarine.

PARTICULARS ARE MEAGER

Only Actual Statement Showing Ship Was Torpedoed Comes from Persia.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—Ambassador Penfield cabled today he had presented informally to the Vienna foreign office the American government's request for any information on the destruction of the British liner Persia, and at the time of filing his despatch had received no reply. American Consul Garrels at Alexandria reported that the affidavits he had gathered from the Persia survivors gave no more proof that a submarine torpedoed the liner or regarding its nationality than were contained in his first despatches. Ambassador Penfield was instructed to ask the Austrian government informally for any information it might have on the Persia which would develop the facts in the case and help the American government decide how the liner was destroyed. Consul Garrels was instructed to get affidavits for the same purpose. So far the only actual statement tending to prove that the ship was torpedoed came from one of the officers of the ship. He said he saw what he thought was the wake of a torpedo. No submarine was seen at any time. Further despatches from Ambassador Penfield are expected at the state department, probably late today and at an event tomorrow. Meanwhile other consular agents along the Mediterranean coast are, like Consul Garrels, seeking further information. The absence of further definite advice is holding the situation so far as any action by the United States is concerned at a standstill.

NIGHT SCHOOLS SOON TO START

At Industrial and New Fair Ground Additions in Clark Magisterial District.

There will be night schools started at the Industrial school at 7:30 o'clock p. m., January 11, and at the New Fair Ground school at 7:30 o'clock p. m., January 10, both of Clark district. All residents of the district over 15 years old not at present attending day school are eligible to attend the night schools. It is hoped to be able to interest all men and women in the district who never had the opportunity to attend school in their younger days, and all boys and girls that had to quit school and go to work in the mines, factories, or stores to help support the family before they completed school work. Special work will be given any boy or girl in the district who wishes to prepare to enter high school next year. Night schools are not a new experience. They have been made a success in other states. In Kentucky they are known as "moon light" schools, and they are doing noble work throughout the state in thus teaching every man and woman to read and write, even men 80 years old are riding eight and ten miles to attend the "moon light" schools. If they are doing such noble work in that state, is it not time for the people of West Virginia to awaken to the fact that they have 74,866 uneducated people in the state and over 25,000 are voters who cannot write their own names? That is one

CIRCUIT COURT

Enters Orders in Several Cases of Litigation Which Are Pending Therein.

In the circuit court Thursday judgment for the defense was given in the case of Sheridan R. Griffin against Ira C. Taber. The case of Albert C. James against the R. D. Wilson and Sons Company was dismissed, settled. Sale was decreed in the cause of the Elliott-Lynch Real Estate and Improvement Company against H. B. Douglass et al. Sale was confirmed in the cause of the Empire National Bank against Victor Villers and others. The petition of T. F. Kemper, committee for Jacob J. Lough, against the trustees of the Salem Baptist church and others was set for a hearing on January 22. W. W. Driver, of Huntington, is a city visitor.

CHILDREN PERISH.

(By Associated Press.) NEW MARTINSVILLE, Jan. 6.—Four children of John Morgan, ranging in age from 4 to 15 years, were burned to death in their home here today. Morgan saved one daughter and while attempting to reach the others was so badly burned physicians feared he would not recover. The cause of the fire, which was confined to the second story of the house, has not been determined.

John B. Wilson, of Wheeling, is a city business visitor. J. I. Weaver, of Moundsville, is here on a business visit.

BLOODY BATTLE IS BEING WAGED

GUNS CARRIED

By An Italian Liner Which Arrives in the Harbor of New York.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—The Italian liner Giuseppe Verdi arrived here Thursday from Genoa, Naples and Palermo, carrying two four-inch naval guns mounted in the stern. Passengers said they understood the Italian government had been responsible for the mounting of these guns, which were intended to repel any submarines that might have attacked the steamship in the Mediterranean.

EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO DISMOUNT THE GUNS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—The state department will probably take up with the Italian government the question of guns mounted on the liner Giuseppe Verdi, with a view to having the pieces dismantled before the ship leaves American waters.

WARRANT DISMISSED

Young Men Charged with Disturbing Service Not Guilty.

Warrants charging Romeo Arthur and Page Bush, young men of the Tin Plate addition, with disturbing a Christmas tree service at the Union Mission church at the Tin Plate on December 24 were dismissed by Magistrate J. V. Carter, at the close of a hearing in his court Wednesday evening. N. M. Smith the prosecuting witness failed to prove the charge against the young men.

JUNIORS TO MEET.

The Junior Missionary Society of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church, South, will meet in the Sunday school room of the church at 8 o'clock Friday afternoon. Parents of all members are urged to send their children. New members will be welcome.

Albert Snedeker is here from Wellburg on business. H. F. Horr went to Pittsburg Thursday morning.

Russians and Austrians Are Engaged in Death Struggle along Long Line.

FRENCH ARE POUNDING

British Laboring Men to Determine Their Attitude Towards Compulsion Act.

Russian pressure on the Austrian lines from Volhynia southward to Bukovina continues heavy and official reports from both sides indicate that the fighting is of a desperate and sanguinary character.

Reports of the evacuation of Casanowitz by the Austrians have not been confirmed. Petrograd official despatches today only claiming that the Russians have compelled the city's defenders to fall back to their secondary line.

The French are pounding heavily on the German trenches in the Champagne and between Soissons and Rheims, and claim to have inflicted notable damage by the bombardments.

Bulgaria, whose armies are nowhere being actively engaged since Serbia was cleared of Entente troops, has appropriated \$100,000,000 for war purposes, a Salonika despatch states. All parties united in support of the vote of credit.

At Washington the Senate committee on foreign relations will meet tomorrow to consider the international situation including the condition growing out of the submarine warfare in the Mediterranean.

A conference to be held in London today British laboring men will determine upon the attitude of their organizations towards compulsion.

FRENCH HAND GRENADE ATTACK IS REPULSED

BERLIN, Jan. 6.—A French hand grenade attack northeast of Lens was easily repulsed, German army headquarters announced today. Allied artillery has been shelling the important town of Lens, northeast of Arras.

It is announced that an Allied aircraft attack upon Douai failed. German aviators shot down two British aeroplanes. One of the machines was brought down by Lieutenant Boelke, this being the seventh aeroplane that he has succeeded in disabling. There have been artillery duels at several places along the western front.

On the Riga-Dvinsk front in Russia, a German reconnoitering detachment that was advancing in the forest south of Jacobstadt withdrew before the attack of a superior Russian force, the statement says. In Volhynia the Germans attacked an advanced Russian position and succeeded in dislodging its defenders, the statement declares.

TWO CHARTERS

One Foreign and the Other Domestic Are Issued by the Secretary of State.

CHARLESTON, Jan. 6.—Charters issued—The Lumberman's Bureau of Washington, D. C., obtained a certificate of incorporation. Its purpose is to disseminate information of value to timbermen and to deal in timber and lumber. The authorized capital is \$50,000. The incorporators are G. T. Wilson, F. H. Lamb, Bartlett Bolinger, H. H. Manser, all of Charleston, and Leona Smith Deal, of Bluefield.

A charter has been issued to the West Virginia Engineering Company of Charleston to operate as consulting and contracting engineers. The authorized capital is \$5,000. The incorporators are G. T. Wilson, F. H. Lamb, Bartlett Bolinger, H. H. Manser, all of Charleston, and Leona Smith Deal, of Bluefield.

TO HOLD SERVICES.

Rabbi Silver Maxwell, of Chesapeake, O., will conduct regular services in the Masonic temple at 8 o'clock Friday night.

ONE MARRIAGE LICENSE.

A marriage license has been issued to Ernest Gray and Lilla Rahn.

with their cash bonuses and free time working exclusively for factory locations are rapidly passing away. These organizations are now looking to the development of the country, realizing that here lies their greatest opportunity. Successful agricultural development brings factories, hay and feed means beef and pork and these become the packing house and the storage plant. Creameries and ice cream plants follow the dairy, truck patches and orchards soil for canning and preserving factories and all these make for more abundant and cheaper food, and lower living conditions which attract the most ambitious and able plants. One who is growing and he to create a new and more profitable line at home and make the country other communities.

COUNTY FARM BUREAU MAKES FINE PROGRESS

As Shown by a Review Made by Secretary Dudderar of the Board of Trade.

(By G. W. Dudderar, secretary-treasurer of the Clarksburg Board of Trade.)

A brief report of the work of the Agricultural Farm Bureau since the employment of County Agent Zinn May 1 last as prepared by the secretary for the University Conference Monday, will doubtless interest local people.

The Harrison County Farm Bureau was organized early in the year after a week's campaign in the county conducted by State Agent Frame and the secretary of the board of trade. W. D. Zinn began his work May 1, 1915. Miss Minnie Martin under direction of the state agent and Miss Sadie Guseman has been working on lines of domestic economy, through the co-operation of the bureau, the county court, the school board and the federal government, since July 1. Through the efforts of the local board of trade to create this organization and the activities of Mr. Zinn, the business men of the community and the business men of the farms in this county have been getting closer together and we are all waking up to the realization that every farm in the trade territory is in fact a factory, producing material absolutely essential to the community's life, that the farmers grain, vegetable and fruit, hogs and cattle produced with an expenditure of much labor come to the city as "raw material," then to be prepared for consumption through various processes which furnish employment to a very considerable number of people and that agriculture after all is America's greatest industry. The following is a few things that the Harrison County Farm Bureau has accomplished since its work began:

Heretofore our farmers purchased what lime they used from Berkeley county and other places at a heavy transportation expense. During the eight months since the bureau has been located in the county with a total crushing capacity of 140 tons of ground limestone per day. This is now being used instead of commercial lime and is costing the farmers in some cases not to exceed the actual transportation expense of the burned lime, and during the coming year hundreds of acres of land will be treated which would otherwise remain sour and unproductive.

The production of wheat was almost discontinued and fields heretofore that were left bare or sown to oats in the spring, are now through the activities of the bureau, being sown to rye for cover crop to be used for hay the following year. Fertilizer, which in many cases have cost the farmers exorbitant prices, to our personal knowledge as high as \$30 per ton, has been purchased through the assistance of County Agent Zinn for less than half that figure. Over \$1,000 has been saved on 240 tons of fertilizer. Farmers have been induced to buy about fifty Cut-away harrows at the lowest prices available for improved tillage of land. Ninety-five public meetings have been held during the eight months. Almost every Saturday meetings have been held in the court house, the county agent delivering an address on some timely topic, average attendance fifty. The executive council, consisting of several business men from the city of Clarksburg and prominent farmers. The president of a local farm club in each magisterial district has held monthly meetings to map out and plan more efficient work. Three hundred and twenty-five farms have been visited. Over 1,000 letters and 730 circulars have been sent out. Thirty-two demonstration plots of corn, alfalfa, potatoes, soy beans, improved meadows and pastures have been established in different parts of the county. Farmers have built sixty-three silos and about 6,000 bushels of rye have been sown principally on corn land for cover crops and hay. In August, Misses Guseman and Martin conducted a canning and preserving school at our high school building for five days, at which some thirty odd ladies were given instructions. These ladies together with Mr. Zinn also maintained a higher creditable exhibit at the county fair in September. In November the boys corn club held a fine exhibit in the court house, the business men of the city through the board of trade awarding \$55.50 in cash prizes. We have here just touched a few of the high places of this great work, through which our people are beginning to see that the opportunity of the city lies largely in the development of the county, that the development and growth of both are essential for permanent prosperity, that no city has ever been permanently prosperous where its surrounding land remains poor and unproductive. Cities are largely built on farm profit, on what farmers produce in excess of their home needs. There is but one road to permanent city building and that road leads to the farm. Business is so sympathetic, so sensitive to crop production that a forecast of poor wheat or corn crops immediately affect the world's markets and the city's business, but when the harvest fills the silos, towns wax fat and factories increase their payroll. Corn, wheat and hay, beef, pork and poultry, vegetables and fruits, these are the bones, builders and the builders of great cities. The old fashioned board of trade