

TEN VESSELS ARE SENT TO BOTTOM WITHIN 48 HOURS

Four of Them Were British Merchantmen—The Others Flew the Flags of Neutral Countries.

SOME OF EACH CREW SAVED

Among the Victims Were English Steamers Goldmouth, 7,446 Tons; Ashburton, 4,445 Tons and Achilles, 7,042 Tons—Norway and Sweden in List.

London, April 2.—The British steamer Goldmouth has been sunk and her crew, two members of which are suffering from injuries, was landed at Penzance, says a Lloyd's despatch from that place dated Saturday.

The British steamer Ashburton has been sunk by shrapnel shells fired by a German submarine. Five members of the crew have been taken to a hospital.

The British liner Achilles was sunk Friday. Four members of her crew are missing. The captain and 62 other persons from the steamer have been landed.

The Norwegian steamer Memento, 1,066 tons gross, one man of the crew was drowned, the others being saved.

The Swedish steamer Hollandia, of 2,166 tons, is believed to have been sunk. All the crew were saved.

The Norwegian steamer Hans Gude of 1,115 tons, is reported to have been sunk by a submarine. The crew was saved.

SUPREME COURT AT ST. JOHNSBURY

St. Johnsbury, April 4.—A special term of supreme court opened here this morning with the full bench present.

ENGINE STRIKES FARMER'S TEAM

Peter McDuff of St. Johnsbury injured and his horse killed.

FAIRBANKS COMPANY TRANSFER COMPLETED

St. Johnsbury, April 4.—The transfer of E. & T. Fairbanks & Co. to the Fairbanks, Morse & Co. of Chicago is now complete.

Italian Stole Sweets

Brattleboro, April 4.—Deputy Sheriff Walter E. Howe of Wilmington today arrested Tony Alavro on a charge of breaking into the store of O. O. Ware January 2.

SQUADRON OF 10th SURPRISES VILLA BAND, KILLING 40

Bandits Were Taken Totally by Surprise—Americans Capture Horses—Engagement, However, Has Little Bearing on the Hunt for Villa Who Has Already Placed Long Distance between Himself and Pursuers—More Troops Are Needed.

San Antonio, Tex., April 4.—Surprised during their sleaze, one of the groups of Villa's force driven from Guadalupe was defeated Saturday by a squadron of the Tenth cavalry under Col. W. C. Brown.

In this engagement, the second the American troops have had with Villa's men, the latter's loss was estimated at from 30 to 40 killed.

Colonel Brown's encounter with the Mexicans had not been reported to General Pershing, when he made his report to General Funston.

Villa's men, according to their version of the encounter, appeared wholly unsuspecting of the presence of an enemy a minute before they were attacked.

It was about noon when Colonel Brown brought his cavalry within easy range. The Mexicans were lying about the place, many of them grazing.

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MUCH WHEAT IS UNFIT FOR MILLING

Washington, April 4.—Wheat of the 1915 crop, unfit for milling, is estimated at 146,000,000 bushels.

MAX LYMAN PLEADS GUILTY

New York, April 4.—Max R. Lyman, alias "Count" Max Lyman London, whose exploits in Chicago and elsewhere as an aircraft promoter aroused the suspicion of officials of the department of justice.

NEW OLD BOOKS

"The Inside of the Pup" and the "Adventures of Virginia" are two books for which a Philadelphia librarian was recently asked.

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VILLA TRAVELS EAST

Villa's latest southward shift was credited in official quarters, since it came from consular reports in which the outlaw was located well beyond Chihuahua city and evidently trying to reach Parral or perhaps even Torreon or Durango.

TO MEET THE NEW SITUATION staff officers assert a quicker means of sending forward troops and supplies should be made.

MAY CALL SECOND CAVALRY. To reinforce the line of communication now maintained would require the calling of the few regiments now left in the United States other than those engaged in border patrol duty.

At headquarters commanding general March 21, via Columbus, N. M., April 4.—This morning an aeroplane came into headquarters camp.

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GERMANY IS NOT AFRAID OF HOLLAND

Teutonic Press Sure Dutch Have Not Armed against the Kaiser.

Berlin, April 4. (By wireless to Sayville.)—"During the past few days," says the Overseas News Agency today.

"In an excellent book that was published by the Dutch Newspaper's association at the time of Queen Wilhelmina's coronation it was noted that during the war with Spain, in spite of the fact that hostilities were in progress.

NOT SUCH A POOL

"Here's a strange case," said Mrs. Spotter to her husband. "A man they called the town fool up in New Hampshire died, and they weighed his brain. It was heavier than the average."

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ZEPPELINS RAID BRITISH ISLES; 59 ARE KILLED

German Aircraft Make Visits Friday, Saturday and Sunday Nights—Coast of Scotland Attacked.

ONE ZEP FALLS IN THAMES

Berlin Reports That in Friday Night's Raid Bombs Were Dropped Freely between London Tower Bridge and Docks and on Munitions Works.

London, April 2.—At least 56 persons were killed and about 100 others injured by the explosion of bombs dropped in another raid of Zeppelin dirigible balloons over the northeast coast of England Saturday night.

London, April 2.—The coast of Scotland and the northern and southeastern counties of England were attacked by Zeppelin Sunday night, according to an official announcement by the secretary of war.

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"Bombs were dropped at various places. No details are available."

"For the present we know that 56 persons were killed and about 100 injured. Eight dwelling houses were demolished and a serious fire was caused in a French polishing shop."

A correspondent in a northeast coast town says that a Zeppelin was sighted there at 11 o'clock Saturday night. It dropped 11 explosive and seven incendiary bombs.

London, April 2.—The official press bureau to-night gave out the following: "A Zeppelin raid on the English coast last Friday night."

The total casualties reported in the Zeppelin raid on the night of March 31-April 1 now amount to 13 killed and 66 injured.

Berlin, via London, April 2.—The following official communication was issued today concerning the German air raid on England Friday night.

"During the night of March 31-April 1 one of our airship squadrons attacked London and the south coast of England. Bombs were freely dropped on the city between the tower bridge and the London docks and on military camps in the northwestern district of the city, munition factories near Enfield, and munition works at Waltham Abbey.

HIS OLD-TIME OXMOBILE

They ain't no rise in gasoline Kin make my bank roll reel; I jog along With a whistlin' song In my old-time oxmobile.

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DR. WAITE ADMITS HE INTENDED TO MURDER HIS WIFE

New York, April 2.—Walter R. Deuel, Dr. Arthur Warren, Waite's attorney, admitted to-day that his client had confessed to him he intended to murder his wife in the hope of thereby obtaining her share of the Peek riches.

DISCUSSES STATE PRINTING

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McKENNA PRESENTS WORLD'S GREATEST FINANCIAL BUDGET

House of Commons and Public Apparently Contented Over Chancellor's Explanation of Resources.

TAXATION PLANS SUCCESSFUL

By Imposing Extra Assessments 65,000,000 Pounds Can Be Raised—England's Next Year of War Will Cost 5,000,000 Pounds Daily.

London, April 4. 10:25 p. m.—Faced by the problem of financing for another year a war costing Great Britain 5,000,000,000 pounds daily, the chancellor of the exchequer, Reginald McKenna, was met at the outset by two favorable circumstances.

By imposing new taxes on amusements, railway tickets, matches and mineral waters, and raising a number of the old taxes, including those on excess war profits, incomes, sugar, cocoa, coffee and motor cars, the chancellor estimates that he will be able to raise about 65,000,000 pounds, which is nearly double what many persons believed he could raise by this means.

At the close of an able and lucid speech in the House of Commons to-day, explaining the greatest budget in the world's history, the chancellor made an interesting comparison with German finance, declaring that while Great Britain was raising more than 50,000,000 pounds annually by taxation, the secretary of the German imperial treasury, Dr. Helfferich, was announcing a "doubtful increase" of 24,000,000 pounds.

Explaining his financial methods, Mr. McKenna indicated his desire to avoid anything requiring new machinery for its collection, which would prove costly and wasteful.

On the question of the general tariff, which has been the subject of earnest speculation in political circles, Mr. McKenna put aside any idea that the government had yet been converted to means for raising revenue by breaking enemy competition.

"The House will have noticed that I have not discussed the question as to whether fiscal duties might now properly be used for controlling and directing trade in a way advantageous to ourselves and injurious to our enemies.

On the whole, the budget was well received both in the House and by the public. The debate following the chancellor's speech was confined to minor matters and the criticism mainly confined to details of the budget.

William O'Brien, nationalist for the city of Cork, protested strongly that the new proposals were piling burdens on Ireland which she could never stand.

The most important of the taxes is the tax on matches, which will about double their cost. It is recalled that the last attempt to place a tax on matches in 1874, by the liberal chancellor, Robert Lowe, led to serious riots in London and the attempt was abandoned.

Resolutions authorizing the new taxes and increases were formally agreed to. Edwin Samuel Montague, chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, replying to various points raised in the debate, said he thought the chancellor of the exchequer was entitled to congratulate himself on the fact that his proposals had been received with such gratifying assent by the committee.

WELLS ALUMNAE TO RAISE \$250,000

New York, April 4.—Alumnae of Wells College, Amherst, N. Y., at a meeting here today, decided to undertake at Easter a campaign to raise \$250,000 for the general endowment fund of the college.

PROHIBITION GAINS

Detroit, Mich., April 4.—Prohibition forces gained two counties from the wets in Michigan to-day on the face of the returns received from the 13 counties which voted on the local option issue.

LATEST BRITISH ORDER IN COUNCIL IS RETROACTIVE

U. S. Claimants of Seized Conditional Contraband Deprived of Their Defense.

PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND

How the Endowment Fund for Vermont Schools is Invested.

Montpelier, April 4.—The newly appointed trustees of the Vermont permanent school fund, which the late and lamented Joseph A. DeLoer was principally instrumental in establishing on a permanent business basis, met here this afternoon at the grand hotel.

The permanent school fund is at present invested in bonds of the cities of New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Minneapolis, Springfield, Mass., Jersey City, New Bedford, Mass., Wilmington, Del., Burlington, and of the States of New York and Massachusetts.

Some of the funds now held by the various towns are still retained by them, bearing interest at the rate of six per cent.

The permanent school fund of Vermont at the present time aggregates in round numbers \$1,181,000 representing the United States deposit money of 1857 amounting to \$200,000 and the interest thereon of \$1,131,000, the Civil War claim fund of \$200,000, and monies that have been accumulated or added to the fund as the result of legislation. The income on this fund is distributed for the benefit of the public schools of Vermont.

VT. BAPTIST TRUSTEES MEET AT RUTLAND

Increased Appropriations Granted to Some of the Smaller Churches.

Rutland, April 4.—The trustees of the Vermont Baptist State convention met at the Hotel Bardwell here today for their semi-annual session and voted increases in appropriations to some of the smaller churches which are badly in need of financial assistance.

The Rev. Dr. W. A. Davison of Burlington, superintendent of the convention, was elected an agent for the Sutton church, and Mrs. Fred H. Dickerman of Bristol, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bond of Chester, Dr. H. D. Holton of Brattleboro and the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Davison delegates to the North-ern Baptist convention, which meets at Minneapolis, Minn., May 17 to 25.

The Rev. Mr. Davison, ex-Governor Stedney, Colonel Bailey, Howard Crane of the Rev. J. S. Braker and Arthur G. Crane of Burlington, B. A. Park and the Rev. Henry Ballou of Chester, the Rev. J. W. Presbore of Bellows Falls, the Rev. J. G. Brown of Manchester and the Rev. G. W. Peck, Jr., of this city were at the meeting.