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THE LIEGE FORTS ARE ALL INTACT

Claim from London That Only Small Groups of Soldiers Entered Town Under Cover of Darkness—German Cavalry Engaged in Forward Movement Along Front of Allies

LONDON, August 12.—The military position at Liege, Belgium, also along the Franco-German frontier where opposing outposts are in touch, and in Alsace, where severe engagements between a French invading force and the German defenders were recently fought, is explained in a despatch from the French foreign minister received here this morning. He says: "Rumors regarding the loss of Liege forts by the Belgian troops are entirely false. Only small groups of German soldiers entered the town itself under cover of darkness. All the encircling forts, 42 in number, are intact. Small unimportant engagements have occurred along the whole line where the French and German armies are facing each other. In these encounters the French cavalry has already maintained its superiority over German mounted troops while the artillery has been splendidly served. Our troops have kept the crests and passes of the Vosges mountains and they dominate the heights of Alsace. The French government indignantly denies that there was any violation of German territory by the French army before the declaration of war."

A despatch from Brussels says the German army is being detached from its position before Liege and is advancing through the heart of Belgium. The main body of the German cavalry is engaged in a forward movement all along the front of the allied armies.

The Copenhagen correspondent of the London Daily Mail says: "It is ascertained that the German torpedo boat destroyer reported sunk by explosion of one of her boilers off South Godar on Aug. 5 really was destroyed by a mine laid by a German warship. The Russian commander of the fortress of Sveaborg, Finland, has ordered all the inhabitants of that place and of Helsingfors to leave, as a battle or a bombardment is believed to be imminent."

ARRANGE PEACEFUL DISSOLUTION OF ROADS

It Is Expected That New Haven Will Dispose of Boston & Maine Stock Within a Year.

NEW YORK, August 12.—An agreement has been reached between the government and the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad company for the peaceful dissolution of the New Haven system, according to an announcement after a meeting of the road's directors held here yesterday. President Hustis resigned as a director of the New Haven, as on Saturday he is to become president of the Boston & Maine. Chairman Howard Elliott was elected president of the New Haven. The resignation of John L. Billard was accepted.

WASHINGTON, August 12.—Attorney General McKevold received word last night from New York that the directors of the New Haven railroad have agreed to his terms for a peaceful dissolution of the system which will put an end to the court proceedings begun there several weeks ago.

Department of justice officials were asked sometime ago if there was any possible way to avoid fighting the suit through the courts and replied that the only way was to carry out the terms of the agreement for dissolution made months ago. Atty. Gen. McKevold, however, made his demands regarding the separation of the Boston & Maine a bit stronger than formerly.

In the old agreement the trustees were to hold the New Haven's Boston & Maine stock for two and one-half years. Under the present understanding the trustees will hold the stock for only one year. They will receive irrevocable proxies and exercise every function of majority stockholders of the property and the attorney general is expected to keep close watch to see that they are in no way interfered with by the New Haven.

They are expected to dispose of the stock in 12 months, but failure to do so upon reasonable grounds probably would lead to an extension of the time.

The interstate commerce commission under the present arrangement is to decide whether the New Haven shall retain its interest in its so-called sound steamship lines. This was the way this matter was taken care of in the old agreement, but in the bill filed in New York the court was asked to take these lines from the New Haven.

In the government's bill it sought to separate the New Haven from the old New England railway, considered a vital part of its rail system through Connecticut and Massachusetts. This was not in the original agreement nor in the present one.

WAS ORDERED DISSOLVED

International Harvester Company a Monopoly in Restraint of Trade

DECISION FILED IN ST. PAUL TODAY

Judge Sanborn Dissented from the Majority Opinion of Judges Hook and Smith—Possibilities of Receivership are Mentioned.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Aug. 12.—The International Harvester company today was declared to be a monopoly in restraint of interstate and foreign trade and was ordered dissolved by a majority decision filed here by Judges Smith and Hook in the United States court. Judge Walter H. Sanborn dissented. Unless the corporation submits a plan for dissolution within 90 days the court will entertain an application for a receiver.

Judge Hook, concurring, says: "The International Harvester company was created by combining five great competing companies which controlled more than 80 per cent of the trade in necessary farm implements and it still maintains a substantial dominance."

"That is the controlling fact; all else is detail."

"It may be, as is said, that there is a growing recognition of the need of great concentrated resources for trade and commerce. But that is not the Sherman act."

"A statute must be taken by the courts as a true estimate of the preponderance of public opinion. It is not for them to question whether that opinion was rightly weighed and interpreted."

"It is but just, though, to make it plain that in the main the business conduct of the company toward its competitors and the public has been honorable, clean and fair."

CHICAGO, August 12.—The Harvester case will be taken to the Supreme Court of the United States as soon as possible, according to a statement made here today by Cyrus H. McCormick, president of the International Harvester Co.

He said: "The adverse decision is a great disappointment. As I understand it, it is not based on actual wrongs done in the conduct of the Harvester Company's business, but upon the elimination of competition more than 10 years ago between the companies whose properties were purchased by it. The opinion acquiesces the company and its officers and directors of charges of over-capitalization and unfair and oppressive policies and practices. It does not sustain the charge made in the petition of the government but abandoned on the argument that the company have charged excessive or unfair prices. The organization of the company is condemned by a majority of court as a violation of Sherman act, but the company is not found guilty of having violated the law in the conduct of its business or of having injured its customers or its competitors. The conclusion seems to be that the Harvester company is a good but illegal trust."

HEAR ABOUT ELECTRICITY.

Dummerston Residents Told About Cost of Installation There.

Fifteen residents of Dummerston met last evening in the vestry of the church of that town and informally discussed the proposition to have electric current brought to the village by the Connecticut River Power company. Harold E. Whitney of the power company and Horton D. Walker and E. M. Goodenough, electricians of Brattleboro, were present and participated in the general discussion.

Mr. Whitney said that the company was willing to put in a transformer station at a cost to the company of about \$2,500 and provide electricity at a very reasonable figure. Mr. Walker estimated that the expense to the residents would be in the vicinity of \$2,500. This meant the construction of a line two miles in length, the expense of which must be borne by those desiring the service, or by a company formed for the purpose of buying and selling electricity.

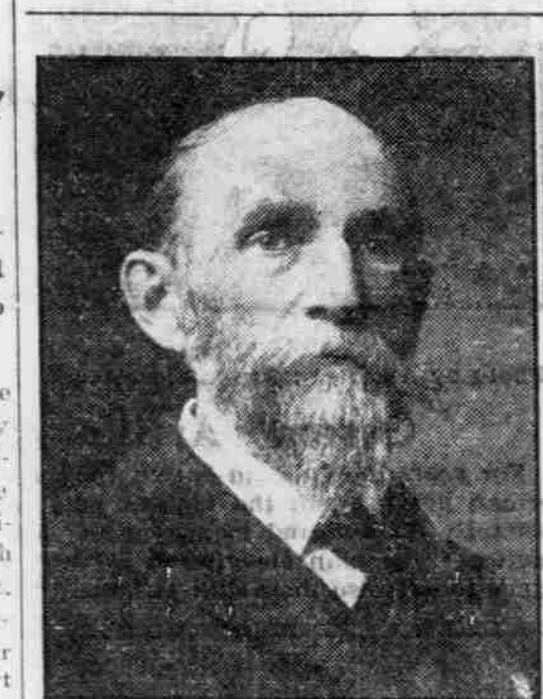
Mr. Whitney advised the forming of a small corporation as a satisfactory method and the selling of \$100 bonds to such individuals as cared to invest. He believed there would be no difficulty in disposing of sufficient bonds to more than pay for the investment and there would be no question that at the low rate the power could be bought by the company the venture would be profitable to the investors.

Mr. Walker reminded the Dummerston people that there are few small towns in the country that have the opportunity to obtain electricity at such low rates as Dummerston and advised them to find some means of obtaining the service. Another meeting is to be held in the near future at which it is probable some definite action will be taken.

GEORGE A. HINES' FUNERAL YESTERDAY

Hymn Written by Dead Man Sung by F. C. Adams—Burial in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

The funeral of George Arnold Hines was held yesterday afternoon in the home at 97 Canal street at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. Delmar E. Trout, pastor of the Universalist church, conducting the service. F. C. Adams sang three selections, one of which was a hymn to the tune of Consolation. This hymn was



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written by Mr. Hines and was sung at the dedication of the soldiers' monument on the common June 17, 1887. The other selections were Eternal Goodness and O Love that Wilt Not Let Me Go.

The bearers were W. H. Brackett of Brattleboro, W. S. McKenney of North Adams, Mass., Mrs. Brown of North Adams, Mass., and George Morrill of Concord, Mass., all relatives.

Among those present from out of town were Mrs. E. Hines and Murray Hines of North Adams, Mass., Mrs. Brown of North Adams, Mass., Mr. and Mrs. Haverhill, Mass., Mr. and Mrs. Beaman of Cornish, N. H., George Morrill of Concord, Mass., Mr. and Mrs. W. S. McKenney, Miss Lucy and Miss Ruth McKenney of Northampton, Mass.

Burial was in the family lot in Prospect Hill cemetery.

ough to mark the spot, and this was accepted by the warden. Governor Simon E. Baldwin and others spoke.

"The historical pageant was the attraction in the afternoon and a band concert, fireworks and a ball were the evening events."

CRIMINAL ACTIONS WILL NOT BE DELAYED

Agreement to Settle Civil Suit Against New Haven Road Does Not Grant Immunity.

WASHINGTON, August 12.—Criminal prosecution under the Sherman law in the New Haven railroad case will not be delayed by agreement to settle the government civil suit without a prolonged fight.

No official statement was made today by the department of justice, but it was made clear that the action of the New Haven directors in accepting terms, which permit an agreed decree for dissolution of the merger by the federal court will not stop the plan for criminal proceedings as soon as possible.

The next move will be to bring up the civil case in the federal court in New York city.

The option of the state of Massachusetts on the Boston & Maine stock is not affected by the agreement with the government. The sale of the stock is to be put in the hand of a board of trustees. It is expected that the New Haven may represent to a new legislature that it should be given a free hand in selling the property at the best possible advantage within the year allotted.

TO CHARTER SHIPS FOR AMERICANS

Embassies and Legations Given Special Power—Thousands Coming from Italy.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—Authority was today given American embassies and legations throughout Europe to charter ships in which to bring home Americans.

The Italian steamers Sandiovanni, Sengiorio and San Guglielmo have been placed at the disposal of American tourists in Italy and will sail from Naples each with 1,000 Americans on board on Aug. 15, 18 and 19, respectively.

MRS. JENNE PRESENTED TABLET

Former Brattleboro Woman Had Prominent Part in Celebration.

Thousands of persons filled the streets of Stonington, Conn., Monday, the closing day of the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the battle of Stonington, when the town was successfully defended from an attack by a fleet of British warships. Mrs. Clarence F. R. Jenne of Hartford, Conn., formerly of Brattleboro and now president of the United States Daughters of 1812, state of Connecticut, had an important part.

The day's activities began in the morning with a band concert. At the close of the concert, when the bells on the ships in the harbor were tinkling eight bells for noon, exercises were held on the site of the old fort where the defenders of the town stood to fight the British foe. Mrs. Clarence F. R. Jenne presented a bronze tablet to the bor-

DENIES LOSS OF 20,000 SOLDIERS

German Commander Says Forts at Liege Will Be Taken Without Loss of a Man as Soon as the German Artillery Arrives—Holland Requested to State Its Intentions

A Dutch despatch says a terrific cannonade was heard this morning from the direction of Tongres, north of Liege. It was yesterday reported that two divisions of German cavalry with artillery had arrived there.

Belgium was today again the scene of outpost fighting between Belgians, French and Germans. The German commander at Liege denied the loss of 20,000 men in his efforts to take forts there. He says they will be taken without the loss of a man as soon as German heavy artillery arrives. He asserts that "The Belgian force is numerically superior to ours." He intimates that the attacks were stopped by the Emperor's orders to avoid needless sacrifice of life.

On the subject of Liege the French foreign minister declares all the surrounding forts are intact and that only a small force of Germans entered the town itself. It had been pointed out previously that the defeat of the Liege forts was their inability to see one fort from the next although the fire of their guns crossed.

A Brussels despatch says the bulk of the German army is leaving Liege and advancing toward the French frontier through the heart of Belgium. The French foreign minister described the French position in Alsace as good as the troops occupied the Vosges mountains. Military men studying the position of the opposing armies may, it is pointed out, possibly have been confused as to the German entrenchments said to have been erected in the river Aisne. There is also a small stream called the Aisne running into the Ouche below Liege and this may be the one mentioned, as it would thus form an extension of the defensive work thrown up by the Germans after they encountered Belgian opposition at Liege.

Belgium anticipates an attempt by Germans to cross Dutch territory and has requested Holland to state her intention regarding the resistance to a breach of her neutrality.

Considerable sums of English gold are to be deposited in Ottawa, Canada, to facilitate payment without running the risk of shipping money across the Atlantic.

FOREIGN BUILT SHIPS TO AMERICAN REGISTRY

Congress is Now Struggling with Bill to Give the President Important Powers.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—The bill authorizing the President to admit in his discretion foreign built ships less than five years old to American registry was before the House again today for its action. One of the amendments adopted by the Senate which aroused strong opposition was that to require American ownership of a majority of the stock of corporations seeking to register vessels hereafter acquired. Opponents of the amendments declare that any such limitations on the President's discretion would destroy the measure's value as an emergency step to meet the situation created by the European war. They claim that the provision will be stricken out in conference between the House and Senate. The Senate also amended the bill so as to authorize the President in his judgment to admit foreign-built ships to the trade between the Atlantic and Pacific and Gulf and Lake ports.

BATTLESHIPS TO RETURN.

Bib Boats of American Fleet to Be Withdrawn from Vera Cruz.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—All the big ships of the Atlantic fleet will be withdrawn from Vera Cruz and brought north by Sept. 1.

BASE BALL TOMORROW

(THURSDAY) 3:30 P. M.

Northampton vs. Brattleboro

The "Champs" are right after the pennant again this year. The club has been greatly strengthened and has one of the hardest hitting teams in the league, and have lost but one game in two weeks.

Manager O'Hara has signed two more players, Ostrich of the New London, and Miller of the Springfield Connecticut league teams.

You will see the fastest ball ever seen on the home grounds from now till the close of the season. If you want to see all the fast games do not miss any game. Everybody is going to the ball games.

Let's go! Let's go!

Two Polish Children Drowned in the Ashuelot River.

Two Polish children, Helen and Bernice Polaski, aged 11 and 9 respectively, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Polaski, were drowned about 3 o'clock Monday afternoon in the bend of the Ashuelot river where they were fishing.

They were about 20 feet from the shore when they were abruptly dropped into the water. The children had been one of them.

Efforts to save them were in vain. Their bodies were recovered with them, began to attract the attention of the river, and he helped. Several tannery men to the spot and Charles was finally brought to the surface and was extinct.

DESPATCHES TO GERMANY.

Charge at Washington Waits Messages Sent Free from Censors.

WASHINGTON, August 12.—The charge of the German embassy connected with Secretary Bryan today on wireless and cable communication between America and Europe. The charge had previously requested that the state department permit code messages to be exchanged directly between the United States and Germany, which now are carried by the military censorship in England through which country all cable messages are passed to reach Germany. He also was desirous that the Germany owned wireless stations at Sayville, L. I., and Tuckerton, N. J., be permitted to work with Germany free from censorship, thereby placing Germany on an equality with England and France, which are using their cables without restriction for trans-Atlantic correspondence.

CLEAR FOR SHIPPING.

Admiral Craddock Says No Danger Exists in Western Atlantic.

NEW YORK, August 12.—The Western Atlantic ocean is clear for shipping in the area as far south as Trinidad, according to announcement made by Admiral Craddock of the British cruiser Suffolk, through the British consulate here today.

The Suffolk is now not far from New York city. The command went on to say that there were five British warships in the western Atlantic and that their patrol was so effective that all British shipping interests had been assured that there was little danger from German warcraft.

MONTENEGRO BLOCKADED.

Austria-Hungary Has Its Warships in Effective Position.

VIENNA, Aug. 12.—An effective blockade of the Montenegrin coast has been established since yesterday by the Austria-Hungary fleet, according to an official announcement made here today.

The investors do all the paying in some "paying investments."

Montana and Idaho have a nine-hour day for working women.

AT MASONIC TEMPLE.

Special convocation of Fort Dummer chapter, R. A. C. No. 12, at 7 o'clock Thursday evening followed by regular convocation at 7:30.

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Furnish Your House Complete
New and Up-to-Date Stock
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GERMANS RETIRE.

Movement in Belgium More Marked Than Yesterday.

BRUSSELS, August 12.—It was officially announced here today that the German retirement reported yesterday is becoming more marked. No other news from the front has been made public.

PETERS CONFIRMED.

Massachusetts Man Is Assistant Secretary of Treasury.

WASHINGTON, August 12.—The senate today confirmed the appointment of Andrew J. Peters as second assistant secretary of treasury to succeed Charles S. Hamlin, recently made governor of the federal reserve bank.

FORAKER DEFEATED.

Concedes That He Did Not Secure Senatorial Nomination.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, August 12.—Former Senator Joseph Foraker today conceded his defeat for the Republican nomination for United States senator.

THE WEATHER.

Fair Tonight and Thursday; Gentle to Moderate North Winds.

WASHINGTON, August 12.—The weather forecast: Fair tonight; cooler in New Hampshire and western Maine; Thursday, fair; gentle to moderate north winds.

PERSONAL.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter A. Gilbert and son Howard left this morning for a week's visit with C. G. Maynard and family in Burlington and George L. Gilbert and family in Rutland.

C. W. Reed and W. A. Wilcox, salesmen for E. Crosby & Co., will leave tomorrow for Syracuse, N. Y., to attend the national hay convention. They will return Saturday night.

Mrs. Abnoza Rollins of Washington, D. C., who had been registered at the Brooks House a few days, has returned to Washington. Mrs. Rollins also visited with Mrs. Henry Campbell while in town.

Among those who left today for Breezy Point, Niantic, Conn., are Miss Cora Liscom, Miss Sue Liscom, Mrs. Lucia Kimball, Miss Blanche Kimball, Mrs. Eugene Ferriter, Mrs. Nellie F. Rockett, Miss Mary Fitzgerald, Mrs. Lena Bascom.

Miss Bernice Pike and Miss Grace Bestick of Bridgeport, Conn., will leave Saturday morning for Montreal, and thence by way of Burlington to Lake Champlain, Lake George and down the Hudson river to New York city. They will be away two weeks.

Miss Mary Ada Thayer of Albany, N. Y., is spending her vacation with her childhood friend, Mrs. John D. Houghtaling, at 4 Terrace street. G. E. Marshall of Middlebury was also at the Houghtaling home yesterday for lunch. Mrs. Houghtaling, who is the manager of the Western Union Telephone Co.'s office here, was for several years employed in the office of Mr. Marshall in Middlebury.

If a man has talent he can make use of another's genius.

COUNTY MEN ASK FORESTRY QUESTIONS

Consult E. A. Chandler and Agent Sweeton on Various Matters Concerning Trees.

B. A. Chandler of Burlington, who is connected with the Vermont forest service, and A. W. Sweeton, agricultural agent for Windham county, made a very satisfactory trip around the county last week for the purpose of meeting farmers and owners of woodlots and discussing with them such questions as might interest them concerning forestry and agriculture. They believe that the meetings resulted in material gain to the men who attended them.

At Vernon 16 interested men were present and the party went over some chestnut sprout land that is badly infected with the chestnut blight. At Williamsville a smaller party was present. There a trip over some pine and mixed growth tracts was made and Mr. Chandler discussed the best method of handling them.

At South Londonderry an inspection of Lee Haven's nine-acre plantation of young pine was made. A party of 35 was present at the Scott farm and everyone was much interested in the young apple orchard and the pine plantation. The lunch furnished by Mr. Holbrook was much appreciated.

Twenty were present at Westminster, West and general interest was manifested in forestry problems. At Westminster on Thursday morning 22 were out and asked many questions relative to chestnut blight and the care of pine and other trees. Only two were out at Rockingham, explained by the fact that many there are still busy with haying. Ten were out at Halifax Friday morning and 23 at Jacksonville in the afternoon and at both places many questions were asked.

LOGS BOOMED AT PUTNEY.

Until Many Collect There Boating Will Not Be Interrupted.

A log boom has been constructed at Putney, as was the case last year, in order to obstruct the river between Putney and Vernon dam as short a time as possible during the passage of the annual log drive. The river is low above Belows Falls, the logs are trickling through the dam very slowly and the drivers are having unusual difficulties there. Further to the north hundreds of logs are stranded high and dry in the middle of the river.

It will be some time before the boom at Putney holds enough of them to make it worth while opening the boom and until that time boating will continue uninterrupted on the river this summer.