

OBSTACLES IN WAY OF RELIEF SHIPS

Nations Increase Demands on Belgian Cargoes That Threaten Delays.

TOTAL FOR WORK EXCEEDS \$700,000

Soldiers and Sailors Not Forgotten in Rush to Aid Sufferers.

The sending of relief ships to Belgium is becoming more and more difficult, owing to the activities of German submarines in the North Sea.

One precaution after another has been demanded. A month ago the commission was obliged to adopt a special flag, which was displayed prominently on every part of the ship.

The new regulations were cabled yesterday to London W. Bates, chairman of the commission, by H. C. Hoover, chairman of the London committee.

Women of Westchester County are getting up a dance to keep their part of the Belgian relief work going all winter.

The committee in charge is composed of Mrs. Joseph H. Beale, Mrs. Presley Bland, Mrs. John E. Carpenter, Mrs. Henry Jay Case, Mrs. Herbert R. Charlton, Mrs. Carl C. Conway, Mrs. J. D. Ellsworth, Mrs. Arthur S. Goodwin, Miss Janet A. Hayward, Mrs. W. F. Hudson, Miss Helen Jones, Miss Genevieve Leonard, Miss Marguerite Lund, Mrs. Glenn F. McKinney, Mrs. Larkin G. Mead, Mrs. James Page, Mrs. Thomas D. Richardson, Jr., Miss Rose Riley, Mrs. F. T. Root, Miss Edith R. Sewell, Mrs. William M. Vanderhoof, Mrs. Frederick S. Warren and Mrs. Robert C. Wetmore.

The Imperial Order of Daughters of the British Empire reported yesterday that they had sent since September 26 175 cases of hospital supplies and equipment, clothing for the Belgian refugees and civilian population and comforts for the English fighters

the front and in the fleet. The cases all weighed more than half a ton. With the growing need of condensed milk by the babies of Belgium, it was said by the women's section of the American Commission for the Relief of Belgium yesterday that a gift of two hundred and fifty cases had been made by the Borden's Condensed Milk Company, and that the Dry Milk Company had given three barrels of powdered milk.

For the benefit of the Wounded Soldiers' Relief Fund the Marymount Dramatic Association presented "Twelfth Night" at Marymount, Tarrytown-on-the-Hudson, last night. The play was followed by a minuet, danced by the principal characters.

Mrs. Sembrich, who is to give a concert at Carnegie Hall Jan. 12, will give the proceeds to the National Polish Relief Fund, of which she is the president.

Contributions amounting to \$1,233 were received yesterday by Jacob H. Schiff, treasurer of the New York State Board of the National Red Cross, for the European war fund. The total contributions to date are \$410,717. The fund for the American Ambulance Hospital in Paris received yesterday \$1,708, of which Charles W. Harkness gave \$1,000.

RELIEF SALE DISAPPOINTS Get \$9,000 for Lots Where \$50,000 Was Expected.

At the auction sale of paintings and other works of art, at the Hotel Plaza last night for the benefit of the Belgian Relief Fund, only \$9,000 was bid for 71 out of the 95 lots offered. At least \$50,000 had been expected. It was 9:30 o'clock when the auctioneer called for the first bid. This lot, a "Bull's Head" in plaster, sold for \$100.

Not more than half the gift chairs in the big ballroom were occupied when Charles H. Sherrill made a brief opening address, but the seated throng, including in the evening attire, made such a brilliant showing that big bids seemed assured. The reverse was the case. After dragging along for two hours William Ordway Partridge called the sale off, when No. 71 on the catalogue had been reached. Of the amount realized only a portion of it will actually go to the fund, on account of the reservation of some paintings.

Thomas Shields Clarke paid the highest price of the evening, \$500, for a bronze head of Tenyson, by William Ordway Partridge, and \$350 for "Study of a Head," by Daniel C. French. "The Prodigal Son," a bronze by Meunier, was sold to the Charles H. Sherrill house for \$110, the original manuscript "Letter to the Little Soldier," written by Eugene Brieux, "French River Scene," a canvas by Gampert, went to Mrs. D. H. Morris for \$360.

MYSTERY IN HOTEL PLOT

Arrest for Thefts at Savoy Proves a Puzzle.

Mystery surrounds the arrest last night of a man calling himself Clarence Goslee, of 17 West 108th st., who was taken on a charge of rifling the apartments of D. N. Hanson, Chicago woolen merchant, at the Hotel Savoy on Thursday night.

The complainant against Goslee was Albert W. Heinericker, of 163 West 135th st., who, when asking Partridge Petroff to make the arrest, is said to have told the policeman that he was associated with the Hotel Savoy. At the hotel it was asserted that he was not known.

EXPECTS MEXICANS TO YIELD TO SCOTT

Carrothers Heard From After His Conference with Maytorena.

Washington, Dec. 19.—A peaceful solution of the difficulties with Mexican factions across the border from Naco, Ariz., where many shots have been fired into American territory, is expected by American Consul General Carrothers according to his message to the State Department to-day, after a conference with the Maytorena leaders.

It was also learned to-day that General Bliss, commanding the American border patrol, has recommended a plan of action for settlement of the situation at Naco to Secretary Garrison. General Scott, chief of staff, with Major Parker, W. Belmont, Major Butler, Henry P. Dugro, Roger Foster, William M. Penny and Edward C. Riggs.

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WHITMAN PLANS BAFF SNARE

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Cohen were held in \$25,000 bail each on the Pearson assault charge.

Lower Ball Plea Refused. Yesterday afternoon Senator Gilchrist, of Brooklyn, attorney for the Cohen brothers, appeared before Judge Malone and requested that bail be reduced to \$10,000 for each brother. Judge Malone replied that he would only consent to reduce the bail in the cases of the three brothers upon the advice of the District Attorney's office. Chief Clerk Sawyer informed the court that the District Attorney was opposed to any such reduction. Senator Gilchrist left threatening to sue out a writ of habeas corpus.

David Klondyck, alias "Dave Klondyck," and Isidor Switzky, chicken handlers and alleged members of the so-called "Kosher Gang," who were among the batch of suspected persons arrested, are still in custody.

The two men figure mysteriously in the case. Their whereabouts is concealed by the police and the District Attorney's office, and the only charges against their names on the blotter of the detective bureau alleges that they are "suspicious persons, arrested in connection with the murder of William S. Williamsburg as an alleged material witness.

Late in the afternoon Morris Frankel, who has been active in the prosecution of horse poisoners on the East Side, was summoned to Headquarters by the District Attorney's office. He was questioned at length by Breckenridge, Deuel and a number of men from Commissioner Wood's office.

To-morrow James Moore, Harry Hoff, son of the murdered man, T. Fear, son, H. A. Emerson, an independent poultry dealer, and possibly Harry Cohen will be called before the grand jury.

URGED TO CURB "CURE" TRAFFIC

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to the moral degenerates who acquired the habit by contact with opium habits, and the chief solicitor in persuasion had fallen victims to the vice.

"In 1908 as a member of the President's Homes Commission, I devoted considerable space in my report on the subject of opium to the drug habit, and published a list of 37 secret remedies containing habit forming drugs; 10 advertised diphtheria cures, 33 catarrh cures, 49 skin cures, 37 kidney and bladder cures, 44 rheumatism cures, 13 cancer cures, not to mention the numerous epilepsy, anti-fat or obesity cures, headache remedies, teaching syrups and other forms of quackery. These lists were supplied by Dr. Kebler, of the Division of Drugs, Department of Agriculture.

"It may be of interest to state that of the numerous bitters, tonics, cordials, elixirs, malt preparations, rejuvenators, etc., 124 were found upon analysis in the office of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue to contain sufficient alcohol to be classed as compound liquors, for the sale of which a special tax is required.

"The medical profession knows that there is no specific remedy for consumption in any of its stages; it is also well known that no germicide, whether taken internally or inhaled, which would kill the tubercle bacilli, could be administered without serious danger to the patient. It is also well known that good food, pure air, rest and a rational hygienic regimen offer the best chances for recovery, and that quack remedies in the early stages of the disease deprive the themselves of

most favorable opportunity for a permanent cure. "As far as the suppression of quackery is concerned, nothing short of a total exclusion from the mails of letters, newspapers, circulars, pamphlets or publications of any kind containing any advertisement of secret remedies for the cure and treatment of disease will reach the evil. As a matter of fact, no physician should be permitted to prescribe drugs by mail."

HONOR JUSTICE DOWLING

His Portrait Hung in Manhattan Club During Dinner.

In recognition of his services as their president, members of the Manhattan Club gave a dinner to Justice Victor J. Dowling last night and presented the club with his portrait painted by August A. Benziger, a member of the club. The club has portraits of its presidents since its organization in 1856. Philip J. Britt, now president, was toastmaster. John G. Saxe presented the portrait to the club.

Other speakers were Morgan J. O'Brien and Patrick Francis Murphy. Among those present were William F. Sheehan, Samuel Untermyer, Thomas Ryan, Edward E. McCall, Alton B. Parker, W. Belmont, Major Butler, Henry P. Dugro, Roger Foster, William M. Penny and Edward C. Riggs.

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In the report of exports for the fiscal years 1913 and 1914 the German protagonists profess to find evidence in support of their contention that Russia was making preparations for hostilities before war was declared. The exports to Russia in 1913 were: Cartridges, \$437,000; firearms, \$5,000.

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 1914, the exports to Russia were: Cartridges, \$437,500; firearms, \$180,120. This marked increase took place before the declaration of war.

From the United States there were shipped to France in October, 1914, \$383,250 in cartridges and \$292,812 in firearms. Practically no supplies of this character were shipped to France before that time. To England were shipped \$200,000 in cartridges, compared with \$214,401 in September and \$19,111 in August.

"You must remember I am living on earth and doing the best I can here," retorted the magistrate.

TOO MUCH MOTHER-IN-LAW

Send Her Home, Yonkers Wife Begs of Court.

Mrs. Mary Manzar asked Acting Judge Madden at Yonkers, yesterday to make Mrs. Josephine Manzar, her mother-in-law, stop visiting her so often. She charged her with malicious mischief and gossip and the frequency of her visits.

The older woman declared her daughter-in-law used witchcraft and cast a spell over her which made her head ache.

DRY OUTSIDE AND IN

Newspaper Kept Baby Abandoned from Getting Wet.

A three-weeks-old boy, warmly dressed and wrapped in a copy of "The New York Times" of December 12, was found in a summer house in Central Park last night by James F. Herrick, a "World" reporter living at 259 West 94th st.

At Bellevue it was said that, thanks to the newspaper having kept the child's clothing dry, it would probably suffer no ill effects from its exposure. There were no marks of identification on the clothes.

LEE M'CLUNG IS DEAD IN LONDON

Ex-Treasurer of U. S. and Football Player Succumbs to Typhoid.

Knoxville, Tenn., Dec. 19.—Lee McClung, former Treasurer of the United States and a famous Yale football player, died to-day in a hospital in London, after a three months' illness of typhoid fever. Relatives here received information of his death by cable from his brother.

Mr. McClung was a former treasurer of Yale University and had held executive positions with the St. Paul & Duluth Railroad Company and the Southern Railway Company. The body will be brought to Knoxville for burial.

Thomas Lee McClung, football champion and financier, came of the sturdy Scottish Highlander Presbyterian stock, which a century and a half ago or more settled numerous in the Tennessee mountains and adjacent regions. One of his predecessors was Alexander Keith McClung, of Mississippi, who served in the Mexican war and was one of the most noted duellists of his time.

Another, of an earlier generation, married a sister of John Marshall. The family was also closely related to that of Albert Sydney Johnston.

Lee McClung (he long ago dropped the name of Thomas) was born at Knoxville, Tenn., on March 28, 1870, the son of Francis Henry McClung, a wholesale druggist merchant of that city, and Eliza Ann Mills McClung. He was educated at Yale, where he was personally and socially one of the most popular men of his time and made a brilliant record as a football player, both as a halfback and captain. Among his comrades on the team were the two Bliss brothers, McCormick, and the great Heffelfinger. In those days a song which rivaled "Boola" and Aristophanes' frogs in popularity was "Hold the fort! McClung is coming!"

With all his football and junior promenade and what not, he was one of the best scholars of his day, and was graduated with honor in 1892. Then he travelled in Europe for a couple of years.

On his return in 1894 he pursued a design of his early student days by entering railroad work, as paymaster of the St. Paul & Duluth company. Thereafter he was employed in several high positions by the Southern Railway Company, at Louisville and Washington, until 1904. In that year he was recalled to New Haven to take place with signal ability, to the great advantage of his Alma Mater, for five years. Then, on November 1, 1909, he undertook similar services for the nation as Treasurer of the United States.

After a resignation of \$85,000,000 a year, he was also able to make marked improvements in system. He resigned the United States Treasury on November 14, 1912, and retired from it eight days later, following the signature of A. Piatt Andrew as Assistant Secretary of the Treasury and the expression of dissatisfaction on the part of several other officials with the state of affairs then existing in the Secretary's office.

Mr. McClung was a director of the Phoenix Mutual Life Insurance Company, of Hartford, Conn. of the Marion, Ala. Institute, and of the American Association for Highway Improvement, and a counsellor of the Boy Scouts of America. He was unmarried.

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.85 Regularly 1.25 to 1.75 In black, white and shoe shades; various weights. Extra reinforced hosiery or silk garter tops and soles.

Hand Emb'd Clox Silk Hose

1.25 Regularly 1.75 In black, white or shoe shades, with self or contrasting hand embroidered clox.

Hand Emb'd Silk Novelty Hose

1.50 Regularly 2.00 to 4.75 Self embroidered, black with colored embroidery, white jewelled and button effects.

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Handkerchiefs & Neckwear

Hand Emb'd Linen H'd'chiefs Pure linen in assorted designs. Box of Three .85

French Initial Handkerchiefs Pure linen, hand embroidered, one and one-half inch hem. Box of Three 1.50

A Collection of Hand'chiefs

.12 1/2 Each White and colored handkerchiefs in hand embroidered, cross bar, broad hem and net footings.

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Furs of Fashion and Quality

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Trimmed Hudson Seal Coats and Moire Caracul Coats 68.00

Hudson seal (died muskrat patch), 40 inch long coats, collars of natural skunk. Caracul coats, 45 inches long, of selected flat curl pelts.

Neckpieces.

5.00 Raccoon 10.00 10.00 Beaver 22.50 9.50 Hudson Seal 18.50 8.50 Nat. Skunk 20.00 & 25.00 14.50 Black Lynx 24.50 12.50 Black Fox 14.50 19.50 Kit Fox 22.50

Novelties and Flowers

French Crystal Necklets Cut crystal graduated beads with colored rondelles. 5.95

Crystal Coiffure Ornaments Pins, combs and barettes, in new designs and sizes. 2.50

Silver Mounted Hand Bags In moire and chiffon velvet, purse and mirror. 7.75

Brocade Velvet Bags Lined with silk, inside compartment fitted with mirror. 5.75

Parma Violet Bouquets Natural color, foil stem, gauze ribbon. .65

Gardenias Flower, bud and foliage, foil stem, pink or white. .75

Boutonnieres In wild or cultivated flowers, foil stem. .25

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