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MYSTERY SURROUNDS BOMBARDMENT OF CANADIAN SCHOONER BY U. S. CUTTER

Schooner Eastwood Arrives at Lunenburg With Masts and Sides Riddled by Shell Fire—Captain Affirms His Ship Was Hit 69 Times—U. S. Officials Deny Knowledge of Encounter—Protest to Ottawa Expected.

(Canadian Press) LUNENBURG, N. S., Feb. 19.—With her decks spars and sides bearing evidence of shell fire the schooner Eastwood, Captain John Spindler, arrived here this morning reporting having undergone a bombardment off Jersey Coast a few days ago.

According to Captain Spindler a United States revenue cutter fired seventy rounds at the schooner, many of the shells taking effect as damage to vessel indicated. One shell passed through the after cabin in whose members of the crew were sitting but there were no casualties reported.

Only meagre details were obtainable this morning but it was understood the attack occurred during thick weather. The schooner, flew the British flag. Members of the crew said the Eastwood had been off the coast some time with a cargo of liquor and for several days the revenue cutter Seneca had been in the offing.

(Canadian Press) LUNENBURG, Feb. 19.—Protest to Ottawa, it was understood here today, will be made immediately by the owners of the Canadian Schooner Eastwood in connection with the alleged shelling of that vessel by the United States cutter Seneca.

The bombardment, according to Captain John Spindler, of the Eastwood, took place a few days ago while the schooner was anchored about twenty miles off the coast of Long Island. The Eastwood arrived here this morning in a badly battered condition but without a casualty among the crew, who took shelter in the hold during the firing.

Captain Spindler reported that his ship left Halifax on December 20 and proceeded to Rum Row with a cargo of 5,000 cases of liquor. On February 15, the day of the alleged shelling she was lying at anchor 21 miles off Long Island, her exact position being 73.24 longitude and 40.17 latitude.

LATEST FROM THE CAPITAL

Little Change in The Cabinet Line-up Expected.

(Special to the Guardian) OTTAWA, Feb. 19.—Further reorganization of the cabinet depends largely if not entirely upon the duration of the present block. Should two weeks be given prior to the adjournment date of March 15th, it is probable that one portfolio, that of Railways and Canals, will be given representation in the House through Hon Charles Dunning, Premier of Saskatchewan.

Franco-Turkish Agreement is Signed

(Canadian Press) CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 19.—The Franco-Turkish agreement, including the neutrality convention was signed last night at Angora, where Henri De Jouvenel, French High Commissioner in Syria, has been carrying on parleys with the Turkish government. M. De Jouvenel is returning to Syria today.

Soviet Menace Reason For Polar Flight

(Canadian Press) NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—The belief in a Bolshevik menace looms as a reason for the North Polar flight to be headed this summer by Lt. Leigh Wade, the world flyer who will be accompanied by Lt. H. H. Ogden. He states that every member of the American universities expedition believes that the Bolshevik plan to beat us in finding the continent we feel assured lies in the uncharted seas above Alaska.

Film Producer Bankrupt

(Special to the Guardian) NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—Oliver Morosco, theatrical and motion picture producer filed an involuntary petition in bankruptcy in the federal court today. He listed his liabilities at \$1,033,000 and assets \$200.

F. N. Darke May Resign Federal Seat

(Special to the Guardian) WINNIPEG, Feb. 19.—Advices from Regina are to the effect that F. N. Darke, Liberal member will resign the federal seat in favor of Premier Dunning, who has made up his mind to go to Ottawa before the next session of the House.

CALL COUNTESS TO COURT

(Canadian Press) NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—The Countess of Cathcart won a temporary respite from deportation today when Federal Judge Goldard issued a writ of habeas corpus calling for her appearance in court next Tuesday morning.

Compromise in Liberal Land Policy

(Canadian Press) LONDON, Feb. 19.—A compromise on the land reform programme offered by Mr. Lloyd George was reached today by a final session of the conference of delegates of the Liberal associations of England and Wales.

He Prefers Jail To Marriage; Breaks Glass

(Special to the Guardian) WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—Intense interest has been aroused here in dry circles over a plan proposed by Assistant Secretary Andrews of the Treasury to have the government purchase the entire supply of medicinal whiskey amounting to 20,000,000 gallons at a cost of nearly \$400,000,000 in order to keep it from bootleggers.

To Develop Mines of East Kent

(Canadian Press) LONDON, Feb. 19.—Coal fields in East Kent are to be developed under government encouragement, the cabinet having decided to extend credits to the amount of £2,000,000 for the purpose, and it is predicted that this will eventually result in establishment of new towns in that part of the country.

Wants Canadian Chaplain

(Special to the Guardian) ST. JOHN, N. B., Feb. 19.—Premier Baxter has announced that the New Brunswick legislature would open on Thursday, March 11.

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TREATY IS RATIFIED

(Special to the Guardian) LONDON, Feb. 19.—The House of Commons tonight ratified the treaty of Iraq which consists of a convention between Great Britain and the Iraq kingdom whereby the British mandate is extended in a maximum of twenty five years.

Gen. Feng Yu-Hsiang, famous "Christian General" of China, who has asked Rev. Dr. Jonathan Goforth, noted Presbyterian missionary, to act as chaplain in his army.

Dr. Goforth, who is now in Toronto, is leaving immediately in response to the invitation.

THE CUSTOMS PROBE AT OTTAWA

Mysterious "G. Scherer" Chief Topic of Discussion Yesterday.

(Canadian Press) OTTAWA, Feb. 19.—Shipment of a carload of liquor every few days to Ford, Ont., for re-shipment to Mexico by a man described as "G. Scherer," was the chief topic of discussion at the customs probe today. Post Office authorities have been unable to locate Scherer in Ford, and the manager of the Dominion Distillers Limited, Montreal, who have been shipping liquor to Scherer, could not tell the committee today who Scherer was or what he looked like, except that he believed he lived in Detroit.

Roman Catholics Reopen Mexican Schools

(Canadian Press) MEXICO CITY, Feb. 19.—The Roman Catholic situation in Mexico is apparently growing less tense. Numerous schools where the curriculum included Roman Catholic religious instructions are re-opening with religious teaching excluded and observance of religious emblems eliminated. This is said to meet with the approval of the government.

No Foundation To Report

(Canadian Press) WARSAW, Feb. 19.—The report of the arrest of the Polish "blue beard" charged with killing 63 persons, as recounted in a Warsaw dispatch to Berlin, is shown to be without foundation.

Another Drop in Franc

(Canadian Press) LONDON, Feb. 19.—At the close of the foreign exchange market today French francs stood at a new low record of 135.40 to the pound sterling. Francs were freely offered on adverse reports concerning the political situation in Paris.

Royal Engagement Will be Announced Shortly

(Canadian Press) LONDON, Feb. 19.—Engagement of Prince Henry the third son of King George, to Lady Mary Scott, daughter of the Duke of Buccleuch, it is understood, will be announced shortly after the period of court mourning for Dowager Queen Alexandra which ends tomorrow.

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Announcements, Coming Events, Meetings, Etc.

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