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SPANISH STEAMER STRIKES A ROCK

Steamer went to the Bottom in Five Minutes. 338 Passengers and 107 of Crew Missing.

(Special to the Guardian.)
SANTOS, Brazil, March 6.—The Spanish steamer Principe de Asturias has been sunk by striking a rock. She went to the bottom in five minutes. Eighty-six members of the crew and fifty-seven passengers have been brought to Santos.

LONDON, March 6.—A Lloyd's despatch from Santos says 338 passengers and 107 members of the crew of the steamer were wrecked yesterday off Sebastiao Point, the western extremity of an island of that name near the entrance to Santos Bay.

SPECULATING ON LAST AIR RAID

(Special to the Guardian.)
LONDON, March 6.—Whether more than three Zeppelins took part in the raid on England is still unknown. Unofficial reports relate that two of the dirigibles were seen passing over Lincolnshire from inland toward the coast. They dropped bombs, but it is believed they did little damage. It is also reported that bombs were dropped in East Riding, Yorkshire, the only damage being the breakage of a number of windows. In view of the large areas visited it is thought there may have been more than three Zeppelins. A correspondent on the east coast says the approach of the dirigibles from the north-east was heralded from a distance and afterwards the sky was lighted by incendiary bombs. Then came terrific thuds of explosive bombs. Houses were shaken to their foundations. Snow had been falling fast and people crowded into the snow-clad streets. A correspondent at an unnamed town in Kent says that the Zeppelin appeared early in the morning, flying low. No bombs were dropped and the dirigible disappeared over the coast.

(Special to the Guardian.)
BERLIN, March 6.—The German admiral announced today that during last night's raid over England the naval depot at Hull was bombed and the explosions being observed to be effective. All the airships returned, despite the shelling.

ENGLISH M.P. RESIGNS HIS SEAT.

LONDON, March 6.—Francis Neilson, Liberal member of parliament for the Hyde Division of Cheshire, has applied for the Chiltern Hundreds, which is equivalent to resigning his seat. Mr. Neilson is at present in the United States. He has not appeared in the House of Commons or in his constituency since the start of the war. Neilson is the author of numerous plays, librettos and short stories.

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NO CESSATION IN BATTLE OF VERDUN

Quiet Calm and Confidence is the Attitude in Paris Over Situation at Verdun. Preparation for Defence or Quick Offensive Considered Adequate. German Strength at this Point Evidently Waning. Continued Activity on Other Parts of Western Front with Alternate Gains and Losses.

(Special to the Guardian.)
PARIS, March 6.—The French continue to be absorbed in the situation around Verdun. The anxiety and doubts of the first days of fighting have been replaced by quiet calm and confidence in the strength of General Pétain's preparedness either for defence or for a quick striking offensive. The conviction regarding Verdun is that though the Germans may persist in their offensive their power and strength have been weakened and they can not now hope to succeed against troops which have stood them off so long.

(Special to the Guardian.)
PARIS, March 6.—The official statement to-night says: "In Champagne the Germans delivered an attack, accompanied by jets of liquid fire, on our positions between Mont Tetu and Maisons de Champagne. Consistent on our right the enemy was stopped by our barrier of fire and was not able to set out from his trenches. To the left, in the region of Maisons de Champagne, he succeeded in penetrating our trenches in a small advanced section."

In Argonne we exploded a mine, by which we destroyed a German post and caused a great crater, the southern edge of which we organized. Between Haute Chavauchee and Hill 285, after exploding two mines, the enemy by reason of explosions was able to gain a slight foothold in our advanced trenches, but an engagement ensued in the course of which we drove the adversaries out of our trenches and occupied one side of the crater. Our artillery has been very active. West of the Meuse, after a

violent bombardment all the morning between Bethancourt and Meuse, the Germans launched a strong attack against Forges, situated on our advanced lines. In the course of a very lively struggle they succeeded in taking possession of the village. Several attempts to debouch on Cole de L'Orie were checked by our counter-attacks, which drove the enemy back into Forges. East of the Meuse there has been intermittent artillery attacks.

(Special to the Guardian.)
LONDON, March 6.—Further advances by the Germans in the Verdun region and Champagne are told of in a Western France official communication which however also records success in repelling a German attempt to debauch further from the captured position, driving the Tontons out of the trench they had taken and hammering with the big guns the German organization.

After having vigorously shelled the region between Bethancourt and Meuse, the Germans in a strong infantry attack, captured the village of Forges, about nine miles northwest of Verdun. Not satisfied with this gain, they several times essayed to debauch from the village against Cote de L'Orie, but the French counter-attacks forced them back into the village and held them there.

In Champagne the right and left flanks of the French, were attacked by the Germans in the region between Mont Tetu and Maisons de Champagne. At the former point French kept the Germans in their trenches but near Maisons de Champagne they succeeded in occupying a small section of a French trench.

In Argonne the French blew up near

Courtes Chaussees a German post with a mine and captured a portion of a crater near Haute Chavauchee. The Germans sprang two mines later and entered the French trenches at several points counter attacks drove them and the French also occupied a portion of the mine crater.

Except for infantry attacks at Verdun the guns on both sides in the Verdun region has been doing all the work. To the southwest of Metz, near Pont-A-Mousson, French artillery has heavily damaged German positions. Russian, under cover of the fire of their fleet, at last have been able to make a landing on the Black Sea coast, to the east of Trebizond, captured the towns of Atina and Maprava, and driving off the Turks who opposed them, two officers and 280 men were made prisoners and two guns and a quantity of munitions were captured. Considerable fighting between Russians and Germans has taken place in North west Russia, Russian army smashing German trenches in Rega Soria and dispersing scouting parties in the vicinity of Frichtstadt. Owing to heavy rains and avalanche fighting has almost ceased on the Austro-Italian front.

Berlin reports that in the Zeppelin raid over England Sunday night, Hull, a naval depot, was bombed with effect and that all the German aircraft returned safely. The British official says that Yorkshire, Lincolnshire, Rutland Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire, Norfolk, Essex and Kent Counties were visited. Three men, four women and five children were killed by bombs dropped and thirty-three others injured.

NAVAL ENGAGEMENT HOURLY EXPECTED

British, Russians and Germans Show Great Activity in North Sea. Germans Preparing to Venture out.

(Special to the Guardian.)
LONDON, March 6.—Vague but persistent rumours have been circulated here for several days regarding the North Sea zone. Despatches received from Scandinavia also indicate that a battle between British, Russian and German warships is not far distant. Russian torpedo boats are reported seen off Okselund, also in the Baltic to the south of Stockholm.

The general opinion in Scandinavia is that Russia and Britain will intercept German sailings to Sweden as soon as the ice has melted. The ice renders it easy for forcing. Naval experts have privately expressed the opinion for several days that the Germans are preparing to venture out and that important events are pending. Whether British officials believe this there is no way of knowing.

MR. D. A. MORRISON QUARTER MASTER 219 F

(Special to the Guardian.)
AMHERST, March 6.—The head of the well known wholesale grocery firm of Morrison Limited has been appointed and accepted the position of Quarter Master of the 219th Battalion of the Nova Scotia Highlanders now being recruited. Mr. Morrison is a trained military man having held the rank of the 62nd Battalion St. John N. B. and also having served in the South African War, his large business experience in the retail business as commercial traveller throughout the maritime provinces and in the wholesale grocery business fully fits him for the position. Mrs. Morrison is now in England visiting their only son Sergeant George Morrison of the 6th C. M. R. who was wounded some months ago and is now in the convalescent hospital, England. R. K. Smith, who recently qualified for a Captaincy in the Royal Military School has accepted a commission as Lieutenant of the 193rd Battalion and command of Col. John Stanfield. Mr. E. N. Rhodes M. P. will return to Ottawa tomorrow after spending the week end with his family here.

THE ISLAND BATTERY

Lieut. Col. Peake, who returned to Charlottetown Friday, expects to receive the command of a second Brigade of Siege Artillery, consisting of three batteries, one from Prince Edward Island, one from New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, and one from Quebec. Col. Peake went over to England in command of the Second Siege Battery in November, having been preceded by Lieut. Col. Cole, in command of the First Siege Battery. On arriving at the front these two batteries were re-designated the 98th and 97th respectively, and subsequently the authorities decided to add the 96th Battery and form a brigade. Both Col. Peake and Col. Cole were applicants for the command of the new brigade. Col. Peake being senior, so far as active Militia service was concerned, Col. Cole having been "fourteen years" in the reserve. The authorities decided, however, that it was not seniority in the Canadian Militia that counted, but seniority in the overseas forces, and Col. Cole, having five days' seniority in the Expeditionary Force, was entitled to preferment. Col. Peake, consequently resigned in his favour and returned to Canada, where, as stated, he will probably in the near future receive the command of a new brigade. Col. Peake speaks in the highest terms of the work being done by the Prince Edward Island battery at Forsham. The officers and men have worked exceedingly hard in gaining proficiency and are now considered the best siege battery in England. A great deal of practical work had been carried out under the inspection of the Commandant of the Siege School at Lydd and other officers who had been at the front. The work carried out was exactly what the battery would be expected to do in France or Belgium and both officers and men received the highest praise from the inspecting officers. All the Island officers, including Col. Peake, Major Prowse, Capt. Temple MacDonald, Lieut. Sterns, Ritchie and Hooper, had undergone instruction and passed highly satisfactory examinations in the Siege School, where all the N.C.O.'s were similarly successful in their instruction and examinations. Everyone in the battery was sorry at the departure of Col. Peake, but hoped to see him back again in charge of a brigade in time for the autumn movements at the front.

THE WEATHER, TEMPERATURE, TIDE, MOON, ETC

(Special to the Guardian.)
TORONTO, March 7.—Maritime: Strong winds and gales, east and south with snow turning in some localities to rain. THE WEATHER Yesterday was fair and cold. The highest temperature recorded yesterday was 19 degrees above zero. At nine o'clock yesterday morning it registered 13 above; at nine last night 6 above. The coldest the previous night was 9 above. The tide will be high this afternoon at 12:52 and tomorrow at 2:22; will be high tomorrow morning at 1:34 and Thursday at 3:05. The sun sets this afternoon at 5:56 and tomorrow at 5:57; rises tomorrow morning at 6:25 and Thursday at 6:23. The moon sets tonight at 10:35. There was a new moon on Friday, March 3rd at 11:53 p. m. The first quarter of the moon will be on Saturday, March 11th, at 2:33 p. m. The length of today will be eleven hours and twenty-nine minutes.

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PROHIBITION DISCUSSED IN HOUSE OF COMMONS

Arguments for and Against Urged by Liberals and Conservatives. No Party Lines Drawn on Question Discussion will be Continued.

(From our Own Correspondent.)
OTTAWA, March 6.—The House of Commons today talked prohibition but failed to conclude the debate. Mr. H. H. Stevens of Vancouver moved on the order paper in his name, calling for federal prohibitory legislation. It became apparent early in the discussion that the House could not finish consideration of the resolution at one holding, particularly as the debate was witnessed at the outset to include the motion of Mr. J. J. Hughes of Prince Edward Island that the British North American Act be amended to empower the provinces to prohibit the importation and manufacture of intoxicating liquor. The discussion revealed a wide divergence of opinion, in the expression of which party lines disappeared. Supporters and opponents of the resolution were found on both sides of the House. Mr. Stevens spoke forcefully in support of his resolution, advancing what have come to be well known arguments in favour of prohibition, while the Hon. Charles Macell, the seconder of the resolution, proclaimed himself a covert anxious

to redeem a vote cast in 1898. Mr. C. J. Thomson of Durham and Mr. Wm. Wright of Manitoba also supported the resolution. On the other side were Mr. W. G. Weychel of North Waterloo and Mr. L. J. Gauthier of St. Hyacinthe, who argued that prohibition was an interference with individual liberty and an attempt to make men good by law. The debate was adjourned at midnight. When it is resumed there will be, it is understood, an amendment by Mr. R. B. Bennett of Calgary proposing an early legislation by the Dominion provinces which have already adopted prohibitory legislation to the limit of their constitutional powers. An amendment of this nature will probably be accepted.

Mr. Stevens in reviewing the liquor situation in Canada today said Ontario was two-thirds dry, 672 municipalities being so classed, while 279 were "wet." The provincial government of Ontario, however, had now introduced a measure of total prohibition. Quebec was three-fourths dry, 996 municipalities being without liquor

licenses, as compared with 237 where liquor was sold. The province of Quebec, however, was, according to the statements of its Premier, also working toward prohibition. In New Brunswick 80 per cent. of the population were dry eleven counties were under the Canada Temperance Act, while seven were still wet. In Nova Scotia there were eighteen dry counties and only one where liquor was sold, Halifax, and that would soon be dry too. Prince Edward Island was the only "all white" province in the Dominion. In Manitoba 87 municipalities were dry and 71 wet and provincial prohibition would be voted on in the province this week. Saskatchewan, liquor being sold only in some 20 government shops. These shops were also gradually being voted out. Alberta had gone dry. The British Columbia provincial government had introduced a law for provincial prohibition. From the Atlantic to the Pacific, in fact, every Canadian province had taken some steps towards the introduction of prohibition, said Mr. Stevens.

HER BANK WAS RIGHT STOCKING

HARTFORD, Conn., Feb. 28.—Last night was one of the coldest of the winter in this city, and Mrs. Annie Dietz, of No. 115 Mechanics street, presently were woolen sleeping hose, when she went to bed. Testifying in court today against Michael Arenewich, who was held in \$500 bail on the charge of burglary and attempted theft from person, Mrs. Dietz said: "As I was placing a roll of \$400 in my stocking I heard a slight noise, and looking out thought I saw this man stepping back from my bedroom window. The next I knew I was awakened by feeling one of my stockings being pulled off. Before I could turn on a light the intruder jumped through the window and disappeared with my left stocking." The chief reason why Arenewich was charged merely with attempted theft was that Mrs. Dietz put the money in her right stocking.

NORWEGIAN ON THE BLACK LIST ALLOWED TO SAIL

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., March 2.—The Norwegian steamer Ontario, which because of Admiralty suspicions that she was engaged in contraband traffic, has been forced to lie at this port six weeks without coal, has resumed her voyage. This was made possible it is understood, through her owners' compliance with an order that they give security for the good conduct of the ship as a preliminary to obtaining the coal required to allow her to reach Wilmington, Delaware, her destination. The Ontario sailed from Charlottetown without cargo. In crossing the Atlantic she burned all the coal aboard and her captain put in here for a new supply to learn that it was not obtainable, as she was on the Admiralty "blacklist."

A DOWNRIGHT LIE, SAYS A SOLDIER

MONCTON, March 5.—Miss Alva L. Bleakney, of Petitcodiac, has received the following letter from Bugler James Brown, of the 26th N. B. Battalion, in answer to a note that she put in a pair of socks. "As I happened to be the fortunate boy who received your beautiful socks—and for which I was indeed thankful, for they are a very useful thing to your request and drop you a line to let you know that I would accede to your request. It is a downright lie if any body says that we have to pay for them. We pay for nothing and are used the very best. He says that they were in the trenches at the time of writing and he expected soon to receive a leave of absence, and hoped to get home to Bonny Scotland. At the time of writing he was in high spirits and good health."

WINTER COMMUNICATION UP IN COMMONS

(From our Own Correspondent.)
OTTAWA, March 6.—At the opening of the House today Mr. J. J. Hughes, of Prince Edward Island said he had received a telegram to the effect that the steamer Prince Edward Island was unable to maintain winter communication between Pictou and Charlottetown, and asking that the steamer should be at once transferred to the route between Pictou and Georgetown, Hon. J. D. Hazen, said the arrangement was the same this year as in previous years. When ice conditions prevented the continuance of the service between Pictou and Charlottetown it was maintained between Pictou and Georgetown.

Mr. Hughes then stated he had been asked to press on the Government the necessity of placing a guard on Hillsborough Bridge. He was informed by Hon. Dr. Reid, acting Minister of Railways, that one individual in Prince Edward Island seemed to be fostering an agitation to this effect but that the matter was now being taken up by the Justice Dept.

WARRANTS FOR THREE LIBERALS & FORMER WHIP

Sensations Multiply in the Saskatchewan Bribery Investigation.

REGINA, Sask., March 1.—Starting in the morning with the evidence of one witness before the investigating committees that Premier Scott had asked him to destroy a copy of a letter he had written after the Premier himself had destroyed the original, the day at the legislature was replete with sensations.

Late in the afternoon warrants were issued for the arrest of three members of the legislature and an official of the government who was formerly a Liberal Whip. The members for whose arrest warrants were sworn out were H. C. Pierce, Wadena; S. S. Simpson, Battleford; and E. H. Cawthorne, Biggar, now ill in a Saskatoon hospital. A warrant was also issued for Gerhard Ens, formerly M. L. A., for Rosthern, and now inspector of public buildings for the government.

The Bradshaw charges have now resulted in the arrest of nine men and the issuance of warrants for three, who have left the city for parts unknown. The government has abandoned the plan of forcing an early prorogation, and instead will keep the Legislature in session, marking time and holding only evening sittings. Members of the government had stated privately that the prorogation would be taken by Wednesday, but last night in the House the Hon. J. A. Calder, acting premier said that the house would sit just as long as the committee of investigations lasted. He denied that prorogation had ever been considered.

COMING EVENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, MEETINGS, ETC

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- *The Philanthropic Class of the Baptist Church intend holding a basket social in the Y. M. C. A. on Friday March 10th. Reserve the date. 7682.
- *PANCAKE SUPPER served at E. S. Rust Restaurant, Tuesday night, Feb. 28. Coffee or Cocoa, Vanilla Ice Cream and assorted cake. 7687.

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