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BRITISH GOLD HAS ARRIVED IN NEW YORK

Special Train Carries \$52,000,000 of Precious Metal From Canada.

A special train carrying \$52,000,000 worth of gold and securities which had been shipped by the Bank of England from London by way of Halifax, N. S., arrived in New York recently. Train was composed of several steel cars and was guarded by forty armed men. Of the total shipment \$35,000,000 was in gold and was believed to be in the form of American double-eagles. The weight was about seventy tons. It was said to be the largest single shipment of gold ever sent across the Atlantic in one vessel.

It was brought over in a British battleship which was conveyed through the war zone and across the ocean by a cruiser and a flotilla of torpedo boat destroyers to guard against an attack of submarines. The cost of transferring it from London to New York was estimated to have been \$250,000.

It was said that the British battleship brought over not only the \$52,000,000 in gold and securities for New York, but also a shipment of gold destined for Canada, whose treasury recently sent gold amounting to \$135,000,000 to New York.

Secrecy was maintained in sending this great shipment and precautions were taken to prevent the German secret service from discovering the plan or route of forwarding it. At Halifax it was delivered into the custody of the American Express and when the armed train left that city it was preceded by a pilot engine for the purpose of testing bridges and to frustrate any attempt to wreck the train by dynamite. The route over which the train proceeded from Bangor to New York was kept secret. Secretary Robert Cowne, vice-president and general manager of the American Express company, said that the transfer was the greatest risk ever taken by an express company.

Eight policemen were sent to meet the train and guard the gold until it was delivered at the sub-treasury.

J. P. Morgan & Company were the consignees. The purpose of the transfer of gold was understood to be to reinforce British credit here and to improve the exchange situation as the English pound sterling has depreciated of late. The securities are presumed to be American bonds to be used as a basis for further advances to the British government.

Two Officers Killed in Aeroplane Accident.

Fort Still, Oklahoma, Aug. 12.—Quartermaster Captain G. H. Knox, of the first aero squadron, U. S. A., was killed and Lieutenant R. B. Sutton, his aide-de-camp, probably was fatally injured today when an aeroplane in which they were flying fell 500 feet. The squadron had just been transferred from California.

The officers had been conducting experiments on the army reservations since Tuesday.

The aviators ascended about 9 o'clock this morning. They had been aloft only a few minutes when the aeroplane was observed falling. Capt. Knox made strenuous efforts to control the machine.

Knox was instantly killed and Sutton was rushed to the hospital where an operation was performed in an attempt to save his life. The cause of the accident has not been ascertained.

A house hold remedy in America for 25 years—Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. For cuts, sprains, burns, scalds, bruises. 25 and 50c. At all drug stores.

We Have the Stuff

THE men of earth have here the stuff Of Paradise. We have enough! We need no other stones to build The temple of the Unfulfilled— No other ivory for the doors— No other marble for the floors— No other cedar for the beam And dome of Man's immortal dream.

Here on the paths of every day— Here on the common human way Is all the stuff the gods would take To build a heaven, to mold and make New Edens. Ours the stuff sublime To build Eternity in time!

---Ehwin Markham.

Six Are Indicted in Chicago Eastland Tragedy

Indictments charging manslaughter and criminal carelessness were returned in the criminal court at Chicago in connection with the Eastland disaster.

The captain and engineer and four officers of the St. Joseph-Chicago Steamship company, owners of the boat are named as follows:

George T. Arnold president. William H. Hull, vice-president and general manager. W. C. Steele, secretary-treasurer.

Ray. W. Davis, assistant secretary-treasurer. Harry Pedersen, captain of the Eastland.

Joseph M. Erickson, engineer. Bonds were fixed at \$20,000 each for officials and \$10,000 each for Pedersen and Erickson.

The two last named are charged with criminal carelessness and the officials with manslaughter. The bill against the officials charged.

That they knew the Eastland was unseaworthy and had no stability;

That they permitted 2500 passengers aboard the vessel which is more than its carrying capacity;

That they were negligent in hiring an incompetent engineer, who, because of his lack of skill

was unable to control the boat properly.

That the crew did not number hands to manage and control the Eastland properly.

That the ballast tanks were allowed to be out of repair and were not filled.

Against Capt. Pederson these charges were brought;

That he permitted aboard the boat a large number of passengers than she could safely carry.

That he neglected to warn the passengers to leave the Eastland when it became apparent to him that she was about to overturn.

That he negligent in not seeing that the ballast tanks were in repair and were properly filled.

That he was negligent in not seeing that the chalk-holes and runways were closed when the ship was loaded.

Counts against Erickson are similar.

The report of the grand jury finds the disaster was caused by "instability," due to "one of three main causes, or any two, or all of them," as follows:

The overloading of the vessel with passengers.

The mishandling of water ballast.

The construction of the vessel.

Large New Cotton Mill to be Built at Granite Falls Soon

Falls Manufacturing company is the name of a new concern being organized at Granite Falls to build a cotton mill. The incorporators are D. H. Warlick, G. H. Geitner, J. D. Elliot, M. E. Jones, L. T. Sharp and others. The company will build a cotton mill at once, the mill to cost \$100,000, the stock of which has nearly all been subscribed. The mill will be 5,000 spindles and make No. 30 cone yarn. The new mill will probably be located opposite the railway station.

D. H. Warlick, who has been working on the subscription of the stock for the new concern, announces that work of building the mill will begin at an early date. Mr. Warlick organized the Dudley mill in 1906 and has been at the head of it ever since. The Dudley mill has been a paying proposition from the start, and it is to be hoped the new concern will be likewise.

Appalachian Training School.

The twelfth year of the Appalachian Training School will begin August, 19, 1915. Every effort will be made to help publish school teachers. All expenses very low. Ask for literature. Address, Secretary of the Faculty, Boone, N. C.

Remember the man who advertises. He has something to advertise.

North Carolina Militia Will Have Much Money

The federal government will spend \$75,471.37 on the North Carolina state militia for the year ending July 1, 1916, according to a statement issued by General Mills, head of the militia division of the army. Of this amount \$43,067.27 will be used under "section 1661" and \$32,404.10 under "section 13" of the militia law.

This amount, it is said, is much larger than allowed last year. The increased interest shown by the officers and men during the past year and the excellent showing made by the men at Camp Glenn during this years encampment was highly gratifying to Captain O. F. Snyder, who attended the encampment, as well as to General Mills.

Rev. Murray Accepts.

Mr. P. C. Setzer has received a letter from Rev. W. E. Murray, of Rochester, N. Y., stating he had accepted the call given him to become pastor of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church and will preach here the first Sunday in October. We gladly welcome Mr. Murray and family to Hickory and hope him much success in his work here. Mr. Murray comes among us highly recommended as a preacher and clever gentleman.

A polite child is usually the forerunner of an adult gentleman.

General Villa is Willing To Sign Three Months' Truce

Washington, Aug. 13.—General Villa has informed the United States government that he is willing to sign a truce of three months or more with his opponents, during which time a peace conference might be held.

General Villa who has been conferring at El Paso and Juarez with General Hugh L. Scott and

American consuls, expressed in a definite way his willingness to do anything that might bring about an early peace.

Villa, is understood to have ordered his commanders to avoid fighting, evacuating places that are threatened with attack, as evidence of his sincere desire for peace.

Back From Shoot at Camp Glenn

Capt. Geo. L. Lyerly, corporals W. A. Ellrod and C. M. Dietz, and cook P. B. Short, all of the local military company, have returned from Camp Glenn, where they participated in a qualifying match to select men from the national guard of this state to compose a rifle team to take part in the national shoot at Jacksonville, Fla., October 6. The following is the score made by the local men out of a possible 575 points: Lyerly, 434; Ellrod, 474; Short, 461; Dietz, 315. None of them qualified for the team, which is composed of 12 men making the highest score, although three of them came very close to it.

How to Live 100 Years.

In the "Interesting People" department of the August American Magazine appears an article about Henry F. Swanback, the oldest Odd Fellow in America, who lives at the age of 100 at Greenwood, Neb. Mr. Swanback was a boyhood friend of Bismarck's. His grandfather lived to be 117. Following are his rules for living to be 100:

"Go to bed early and get up early.

"Never sleep in a heated room.

"Keep fresh air in the sleeping room.

"Sleep out of doors in summer—winter, too, if it can be arranged.

"Drink plenty of fresh water.

"Use very little red liquor.

"As old age comes on take, each morning, a small wine glass of one-third glycerine and two-thirds good whisky.

"Smoke as often as you please, but do not inhale the smoke, or blow it out through the nostrils.

"If you are unfortunate enough to lose your wife, get another. It is not good for man or woman to live alone.

"Don't worry over anything. Worry kills more people than disease.

"Keep an even temper at all times. Be cheerful at all times.

"Keep the feet dry and the head clear.

"Never eat meat. A little chicken will not harm one, but must not be eaten too often.

"Eat plenty of fresh fish.

"Do not drink coffee.

"Keep away from sweet stuff. It ruins the stomach and kidneys.

"Take plenty of outdoor exercise. Walk a great deal.

"Following these rules, and any normal man, barring accidents, can live to be 100."

To Richmond to Attend Funeral.

Mrs. W. H. Warner received a telegram from Richmond Thursday announcing the death of her sister, Mrs. A. S. Gates. Mrs. Warner left Friday for Richmond to attend the funeral. The Democrat extends its sympathy to Mrs. Warner and the family.

Daily Paper Discontinued.

The Statesville Star, a daily paper published in Statesville for the past ten weeks, has been discontinued because of lack of support, according to a statement by the publisher.

For a Sprained Ankle.

If you will get a bottle of Chamberlain's Liniment and observe the directions given therewith faithfully, you will recover in much less time than is usually required. For sale by Grimes Drug Co. & Lutz Drug Co.

Hickory People On Program at Raleigh Farmers' Meeting

The Thirteenth Annual State Farmers' Convention and Farm Women's Convention will be held at the A. & M. College, West Raleigh, August 24, 25 and 26. An attractive program has been arranged and the railroads have granted a rate of 3 cents a mile one way for the round trip. Hickory people on the program are Mr. W. J. Shuford, who will talk on "Marketing Dairy Products," on the afternoon of August 25, and Mrs. John W. Robinson, who will address the women's meeting on "Community Welfare" on the afternoon of August 24. It is desired that as many farmers and their wives will attend this meeting as possible. The college will furnish rooms in their dormitories free.

Change at All Healing Springs.

The Taylorsville Mountain Scout says:

"Mr. O. F. Pool has sold one-half interest in the All Healing Springs property to Messrs. W. A. Bristol, of Statesville, George E. Ransom, of Weldon, and E. L. Shuford, of Hickory. The new company, we are told, will greatly enlarge the hotel and make many other improvements in order to make All Healing a modern and first class summer resort. This move we hope will lead to the building of an Electric Railroad from Newton, by way of Taylorsville and All Healing to Wilkesboro."

Just why The Scout wants the road to come out of Newton we are unable to say, but in our opinion it would be better for "Little Alex" if the road started from Hickory. Don't you think so, Brother Babington?

Secretary Daniels Talks of His Hopes for the Navy.

Asheville, Aug. 10.—"A larger and more powerful Navy; a higher standard of efficiency; the encouragement of America's best inventive genius, represented in advisory board—these are the future aims and purposes of the U. S. Navy Department," said Secretary Josephus Daniels tonight prior to his departure for Washington with Mrs. Daniels and her son Josephus Daniels Jr., who have been guests at Asheville for the past several days. Dealing with the advisory board which he has asked the leading scientific societies of the country to name, Secretary Daniels stated that he will not fail to appoint additional members should some of the country's most skillful men be overlooked by these societies.

"In that event," said Secretary Daniels, "I should not hesitate to appoint such men as Alexander Graham Bell, Orville Wright and others. The services of these men would be indispensable in the operation of the new board."

"The day is not far distant, when the combined brains of this continent, backed by liberal appropriations from Congress, will give us a Navy that will compare favorably with any that sails the waters of the world."

Electricians at Dupont Powder Plant go on Strike

Hopewell, Va., Aug. 12.—Four hundred electrical workers employed at the DuPont powder plant here walked out today. It is stated that the men have demanded an increase in wages, and the alleged employment of non-union men is also said to be an element of dissatisfaction. A representative of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers is now en route from Wilmington, Del., to look after the interests of the union. The entire electric line from the Appomattox river to the powder plant is being guarded by DuPont police to prevent it being damaged by strikers.

RUSSIANS CHECK BOTH WINGS OF TEUTON ARMY

Halt Forces Attempting to Cut Petrograd and Warsaw Railway.

The Russians are holding in check the Baltic flank of the German forces which are struggling to cut the Warsaw-Petrograd line and battling toward the Dvina beyond which lies the road to Petrograd. The Russians accomplished this check with the aid of reinforcements and virtually one counter attack after another. The fortress of Koynostil holds out.

The Germans attacking toward Riga have been repulsed and the railway junction at Dvinsk remains in Russian hands. From Ostrolenka north of Warsaw, to Chelms in the south, the Teutons claim to have made further progress, but between the Dieprz and the Bug they have apparently been thrown back with heavy losses.

Perhaps Field Marshal von Hindenburg has not exerted his full powers but is awaiting events in the south before hammering his hardest toward the Dvina, near the banks of which his cavalry have been for some time.

The fact that the Germans have been able to advance with comparative rapidity due east of Warsaw while they have been checked on the right and left flanks gives rise to the impression on in England and Russia that the stout resistance of the Russian wings will insure the safe withdrawal of the main Russian army from the Warsaw salient.

Contrary to many reports the line of communication between the Polish and Russian capitals has not been cut through. It would be cut if the Germans should take Dvinsk.

The approaching meetings of both the Greek and Serbian parliaments give promise of bringing the Balkan situation to a head, though for the moment Greece and Serbia are refusing to make concessions of territory desired by the entente allies.

MEN WANTED—In the Men's Bible class at the Presbyterian Church every Sunday morning in the main auditorium of the church at 9:45 a. m. Dr. W. B. Ramsay, teacher. You will be greeted with a warm welcome. If you are not attending Sunday School we will be glad to have you come out and join the Men's Bible Class at the Presbyterian Church on the corner Thirteenth Avenue and Thirteenth Street.

Parents, don't let the children overlook the Children's Day Proposition we make in our our large Majestic Demonstration ad. in this paper. Shuford Hdwe. Co.

With presidential candidates buzzing around in every direction, the national Sunday School class will soon be looking for larger quarters.