

SAYS ATTEMPT WAS MADE TO MURDER BRITISH SURVIVORS

Admiralty Statement on Torpedoing of Steamer Westminster.

London, Dec. 28.—The admiralty has given to the Associated Press the following statement concerning the sinking of the British steamer Westminster, which was reported lost on December 18.

PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY LANSING ADOPT POLICY OF SILENCE REGARDING PEACE

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The President (The noble initiative of the President looking to the creation of bases for the foundation of a lasting peace which could not be taken up only at the ending of the present conflict of exhaustion.

RUSSIAN SHIP ARRIVES

Was First to Reach New York in Nearly Three Months.

New York, Dec. 28.—For the first time in nearly three months a ship flying the Russian flag tied up today at a New York pier.

JOHN NIGHT-WATCH SERVICE

Will be Held by Southern and Northern Methodists in New Orleans.

New Orleans, Dec. 28.—Local members of the Southern and Northern branches of the Methodist Episcopal church will attend a joint "watch night" service.

PROMINENT SWISS MEN-WIRE CONGRATULATIONS TO WILSON

Geneva, via Paris, Dec. 28.—A group of leading men at Zurich has telegraphed congratulations to President Wilson as a result of his taking the initiative in behalf of peace.

RESERVE BANK DIVIDENDS

Six Per Cent Declared by the Banks at Richmond, Va.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 28.—The Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond today declared a six per cent dividend for the period from January 1, 1916, to November 3, 1916.

EIGHT FOUND GUILTY

Charged With Using Mails to Defraud in Sale of Wild Horses.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 28.—The jury in the case of 11 defendants charged with use of the mails to defraud in sales of wild horses in Coconino county, Arizona, late today returned a verdict of guilty against eight defendants and found two not guilty.

DESERVES GOLD MEDAL FOR THIS

Cincinnati Authority Tells How to Dry Up a Corn So it Lifts Out.

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RESERVE BANK AGENCIES MAY BE EXTENDED TO ORIENT

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Washington, Dec. 28.—Recent authorization given the Federal Reserve Bank of New York to appoint the Bank of England as its agent in London and the probable appointment of the Bank of France as agent in France and other foreign agents through Europe in all likelihood will be followed, in time, by the appointment of strong financial institutions in similar capacities in Japan, China and Australia.

HORSES MISTAKEN FOR THE GUARDSMEN FOR SNIPERS

Mexican General Gives This is Probable Cause for Exchange of Shots

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 28.—In an effort to stop further sniping at the American outposts here, the Carranza authorities in Juarez arrested a Mexican civilian said to have been drinking and searched him for fire arms on the Mexican side of the Rio Grande.

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