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LITTLE'S ACQUITTAL

Unable To Concur With Findings of General Courtmartial

NO NEW TRIAL IS ORDERED, HOWEVER

Rear Admiral Charged With Neglect as Inspector During Construction of Submarine K-2; "Not Easily Approachable" Junior Officers Testified

(By the Associated Press) (By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Nov. 22.—Secretary
Daniels today disapproved the findings of the general court martial
which acquitted Rear Admiral William N. Little, retired, of charges
of negligence in connection with his
duty as inspector during the construction of the submarine K-2. No
new trial, however, will be ordered.

A statement issued by the department said that in view of

pense of further proceedings and the rity of Admiral Little the findings

morely had been disapproved without reconvening the court.

"Not Easily Approachable."

"An important sidelight upon the attitude of Admiral Little in the performance of his duties as inspector." said the statement, "is shown by the testimony of Lieutenant Moses. testimony of Lieutenaut Moses, wherein he states that Rear Admiral Little was not eastly approachable and that he Moses, was made to feel that his opinions and recommendations would preferably he made to Rear Admiral Little's assistants; this tions would preferably be made to Rear Admiral Little's assistants; this attitude is furthermore exemplified in Rear Admiral Little's own testimoney wherein he refers to Moses' representations concerning the battery as 'kicks' and wherein he states that they were 'kicking all the time about one thing or another."

The statement said the department deplores this attitude on the part of an officer and continued:

"The court after mature deliberation most fully and honorably acquitted Rear Admiral Little of the charges. The department is unable to concur with the court, or, after careful review of the evidence, to assertain the reasons governing it in the security."

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Reasons for Disappreval.

Secretary Daniels said his chief reason for disapproving the acquittal was because he wished to impress on older officers the measury of giving full with to the recommendations of their junions.

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Lieutening the second of their command of the vessel when commissioned. Testimony at the court-martial, which convened at Boston Nov 1, shows that Moses complained of bad workmanship in installation of the boat's storage batteries. Examination of several calls showed lead drops in them. Moses wished more cells examined but Admiral Little accepted the boat from her builders on the contractor's assurance that the hatteries would be repaired without cepted the boat from her putders on the contractor's assurance that the batteries would be repaired without charge should they later prove de-fective. The contractor new is re-pairing the batteries without cost although under no legal obligation

The W-2 was accented in January, Researd Station W. 1914. Rear Admiral Little's court-martial was ordered by Secretary Daniels October 16 on reports of her detailing the imperfections

TWO MEN ATTEMPT TO ROB DOVER BANK

Kinston, Nov. 22 -Two unknown white men, both about 45 years old. chartered an automobile here today. drove nine miles to Dover and, un-masked, held up the cashier in the

fled to the auto outside, in which Shelton. his confederate was waiting having the muzzle of a revolver against the negro chauffeur's head.

of the expedition en route and made to remove the license number. He was throatened with death if he E. L. Bain.

SON GETS MOST OF WIDENER ESTATE

(By the Associated Press.)

Philadelphia, Pa., Nov. 22. The will of the late Peter A. B. Widener, admitted to probate today, leaves the greater part of his estate esti-mated at between \$50,000,000 and \$70,000,000 to his son, Jos. E. Widener. The son is given complete authority over his father's collection of art treasures, considered one of the most valuable in America. Among

the most valuable in America. Among the masterpiaces in the collection are Rembrandt's "The Mill," for which Mr. Widener some years ago prid \$500,000. Raphael's famous Panshanger "Madonna." and Betticell's "Madonna of the Thorns."

After making numerous bequests to members of the family, the will directs that the residuary estate beheld in trust until 21 years after the death of the last descendant alive at the time of P. A. B. Widener's death. The net income is to be divided monthly into as many shares as there are sons living and dead. Mr. Widener had but two sons, Jos. E. Widener and Geo. D. Widener, who lost his life on the Titanic. The dead sons share in the setate in to be divided equally among his descendants.

Wife of Vice-President Under Kniff Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 22. Brs.
Thomas R., Marchail, wife of the
Vice President, successfully underwest an abdominal operation here
oday. It was announced that Mrs.
Harshall was resting comfortably. WHEN THE KING OF ENGLAND WAS VISITING THE ARMY IN FRANCE



PRINCE OF WALES

PRESIDENT POINCARE KING GEORGE GREETING GENERAL JOFFRE N FRANCE

During his stay in France the King journeyed into the actual zone of the armies. In company with an army commander, His Majesty went on to a little cross road only a few miles away. Here he met President Poincare and Mr. Millerand, the French Minister of War, and with them he spent the day visiting various points of interest.

Western Body Adjourns After Reading of Appointments of Ministers

(Special to the New and Observer.)
Gastonia, New 25 - The Western
North Carolina Conference of the
Methodist Episcopal Church, South,
adjourned at 5 o'clock this afternoon after selecting Gastonia as the
meeting place for next year and after the reading of appointments as
follows:

Asheville District.

C. A. Wood, presiding elder.
Asheville—Bethel, J. C. Harmon;
Central, J. H. Barnhardt; Chestnut
Street, D. Atkins: Haywood Street,
L. T. Cordell; West Asheville, W.
M. Biles; Asheville Circuit, J. W.
Carrer, supply Carver, supply.

Biltmore and Mount Pleasant, Dr.

Proffit.

Black Mountain, R. L. Ferguson;

BreW E Peavey; Bre-Black Mountain, R. L. Farguson;
Brevard Station, W. E. Peavey; Brevard Circuit, C. A. Johnson; Fairview, W. A. Thomas, supply; Flatrock and Fletcher, A. Burgess; Hendersonville, W. F. Womble; Hendersonville circuit, John H. Greene; Het Springs—Marshall, W. L. Rexford; Leicester, L. P. Bogie; Marshall, J. L. Smith, supply; Mills River, R. F. Honeycuit; Spring Creek, K. R. Warren, supply; Sulphur Springs, T. A. Grace; Swannanoa, J. F. Starnes; Tryon—Saluds, Marvin Auld, Walnut, J. O. Banks, supply; Weaverville Station, E. W. Fox; Weaverville circuit, T. J. Huggins, supply; president Weaver College, W. A. Newell; vice president Weaverville College, J. R. Walker; missionary to

bank there.

He was about to deliver up the money in his charge when patrons entered the bank and the man who was covering him with a revolver Student in Trinity College, W. R.

Charlotte District.

negro chauffeur's head.

The men secured nothing. The attempt was made shortly after noon. Claude Nunn, the chauffeur, drove the men at fast speed to a point three miles this side of Dover where they left the car and fled into the thick woods. Officers are Nunn was informed of the control o ck woods. Officers are thorn Lane, R. D. Sherrill. Seviers was informed of the purpose ville, W. F. Elliott. Spencor Memorial and Derita, W. B. West, Trin-Moore; Tryon Street,

> Hickory Grove, M. T. Steele: Lilesville, B. N. Jackson; Marshville, Seymour Taylor; Matthews, M. H. Lilesville

Monroe Central, J. E. Abernethy; North Monroe, R. H. Kennington, supply; Morven, F. L. Townsend; Pineville, B. F. Hargett; Polkton, W. B. Davis; Prospect, M. Idener, A. Qsborne; Rocky River, J. C. Willeaves liams, supply; Thrift, B. F. Fincher; e esti10 and boro, A. W. Plyler; Waxhaw, W. F. Wid-sandford; Weddington, N. R. Richmplete lection Stewart; Dean School of Theology, in Atlanta, P. T. Durham. Monroe-Central, J. E.

in Atlanta, P. T. Durham. Greensboro District.

Byrum.
Randleman—Naomi, A. R. Belt;
Randolph, E. N. Crowder; Reiderille, W. A. Lambeth: Rumn, J. J.
Edwards, Uwharrie, C. E. Steadman; Wentworth, T. C. Jordan;
arsaident Greensbore College for
Women, S. B. Turrentine; treasurer
Greensboro College for Women, W.

(Continued on Page Two.)

BURIED ALIVE IN

Found Under Nine Feet of Earth

(By The Associated Press.) Batavia, N. Y., Nov. 22.—Luigi Matroni was buried alive in the cellar of his home near Corfu, in May, 1914, his body being trempled into a newly made grave while he begged for mercy, according to a story tole by his widow to District Attorney Coon here today. This afternoon Antonio Boliva, the alleged murderer, pointed out the spot where the crime occurred and a body was found which Mrs. Matroni identified as that of her husband. Boliva has

found which Mrs. Matroni identified as that of her husband. Boliva has confessed, the district attorney said.

Boliva, who is Mrs. Matroni's sonin-law, is serving a six months term in the Monroe county penitentiary for a stabbing affray. Mrs. Matroni came here from Syracuse to tell the story of the murder, which she declared had been witnessed by her and her young son Charles, her long silence she said, was due to fear of Boliva who had threatened a simi-lar fate for her and her son. When she learned he was in prison, she felt she learned he was in prison, she felt safe to tell.

Mrs. Matroni said that her hus-

vived before the grave had been dug in the cellar. He pleaded with Bo-livia for his life just before he was thrown into the pit and trampled under the ground she declared. After hearing the woman's story, District Attorney Coon and Sheriff Edgerton took Bolivia to the farm Edgerton took Bolivia to the farm where the matron formerly lived. Bolivia at first denied knowing of the murder, but later District Attorney Coon said, he confessed and told the men where to dig. They found the body under nine feet of earth, the house having been torn down and the cellar filled in after the Motranis moved away. Bolivia killed Matroni he told the district he Motranis moved away. Bolivia killed Matroni he told the unitage attorney because after his marriage attorney because after his marriage to Matroni's step-daughter she told him that Matroni had attacked her the day before their wedding

S. S. CONVENTION OPENS WITH PARADE

Special to the News and Observer. Salisbury, Nov. 22.—Already there are a humber of delegates here for the annual State Sunday School Convention which opened this afternoon with a monster parade in which marched several thousand Sunday School children. The sestions of the convention will be held in the community building which is ideally arranged and located for just

such a convention.

Notices from delegates who are coming to attend are so numerous that those in charge of the affair expect a record attendance upon the

Asheville Man Shot in Birmingham. Birmingham, Ala., Nov. 22.—A man giving his name as G. L. Henderson of Asheville, N. C. was fatally wounded and his companion, Philips, less seriously hurt during a pistol battle with detectives here early today when, according to the police, the two men were surprised police, the two men were surprised while attempting to rob a safe in a grocery store.

FILES COMPLAINT AS TO RATES ON PLATE GLASS.

6 DEAD, 18 MISSING NEARLY ALL TAKING IN GEORGIA WRECK SIDES IN NEW YORK

Body of Luigi Matroni More Than Thirty Injured So Few War Neutrals, Dif-As Result of Head-On Collision

(By the Associated Press.)

Columbus. Gn. Nov. 22.—The bodies of six persons had been recovered tenight. Eighteen others were missing and more than thirty injured as a result of a head-on collision mix miles west of here late today between Central of Georgia passenger train No. 2 and a special train of 28 cars, carrying the Con. T. Kennedy Carnival Company. It was feared that the bodies of some of the missing might be under that overturned cars of the show train. Twelve of the carrival company's cars were reported destroyed by fire and others still are burning tonight. Two of the cars containing trained animals were said to have been destroyed, killing many of the animals. The collision occurred on a straight stretch of track, the passenger train being en route from senger train being en route from Birmingham to Macon and the show special from Atlanta to Phenix City, Ala. No official statement has been made tonight as to the cause of the wreck, but among railroad men it was said to have been due to mis-understanding of orders on the part band was felled by a blow from a pick-axe handle wielded by Bolivia. He was knocked unconscious but re-

cept for trainmen, were persons trav-eling with the carnival company. It was said none except trainmen was hurt on the passenger train, which suffered little damage to its heavy

The known dead: Mr. and Mrs. Fred S. Kempf of Kansas city.
A. Kennedy, showman.
Three unidentified showmen whose

bodies were badly burned.
O. H. Hawkins. Peoria, Ill.; Geo. Chadwick, address unknown; Johnson, address unknown; Hawkins, Chadwick and Johnson were emloyed by the carnival company.
It was stated here that there were approximately 400 people on the car-nival train, including performers, trainers, their families and various attaches of the carnival company.

Con T. Kennedy, proprietor of the company, said late tonight he believ-ed the list of dead would reach 24, and "possibly more." It would be tomorrow, he said, Sefore the list could be checked up.

Probably 24 Dead.

McAdoo's Chauffeur Pays Fine (By the Associated Press.) (By the Associated Press.)

Larus, Me., Nov. 12.—Eddie Hayden, chauffeur for Secretary of the Treasury Wm. G. McAdoe, today paid a fine of \$25 to Justice Gosnell at Savage, Md., for speeding. Mrs McAdoe, daughter of President Wilson, was in the ear when the alleged offense was committed last week.

Coming To U. S. For Loan. (By the Associated Press.) The Hague, Nov. 22.—(Via London)—The Belgische Dagsblod announces that the Belgian minister of finance and the minister of justice are about to sail for the United

Rear Admiral Bogo Piec.
Paris, Nov. 22.—Rear Admiral
Lawrence G. Boggs, U. S. N., retired,
is dead at his home in this city. He
left the active service in 1908 after 18 years of sea duty

States to arrange a loan,

TO ASK WOMAN'S CLUBS
TO RELP FORWARD PEACE.

(Special to News and Observer.)

Washington, Nov. 22.—The Lexington Mirror Company of Lexington as filed a complaint with the Interstate Commerce Commission against the Southern Railway et al. charging that rates on plate glass if neutral nations to urge peace from points in Pennsylvania to Letter Commission are unjust and unreasonable, before Thankstving Day. It also not rate unjust and unreasonable, before Thankstving Day. It also noir are unjust and unreasonable, before Thanksziving Day. It a and asking for reparation for the was announced that Mrs. Henry F difference of 71 cents paid and 65 of Detroit had do used \$10,000 cents per hundred pounds.

ficult To Get Jury In Buenz Case

(By The Associated Press.)

counsel to be acceptable to both sides. The entire panel was exhaust-ed and another will be on hand when the trial is resumed tomorrow. The defense today exhausted five of its ten pre-emptory challenges and the government four of the six allowed

to it.

Not more than six of the twentyfour men examined professed to be
entirely neutral with respect to the
European war. Many of the tales-European war. Many of the tales-men had relatives serving in the armies, while others of German. British or French descent had enrolled their sympathies under the colors of their fathers. Only three were Americans of native American parentage and one of these was married to a woman of German parent-age. Indicted with Buenz are Adolph Hochmeister purchasing agent of the line; Jos. Poppenhause, a second of-ficer in the employ of the line, and Geo. Kotter, its superintendent. A fifth man. Felix Seffner as alleged superintendent of cargo of one of the supply ships, was indicted but has not been arrested.

NEW HIGH RECORDS IN FOREIGN TRADE

Washington, Nov. 22.—New high records in the foreign trade of the United States continue to pile up in the greatest favorable trade balance the country has ever known. The movement of merchandise and cold above the foreign and sold above the state of t The movement of merchandise and gold shown in figures made sublic today by the department of commerce discloses how decidedly the United States has been converted bis cavairy in pursuit. from a debtor to a creditor nation.

During the twelve months ending with October the foreign trade ex with October the foreign trade exceeded \$5,000,000,000. Imports were \$1,691.748,013 and exports \$3,318,634,636 as compared with imports of \$1,880,414.501 and exports of \$2,140.847.829 during the same 12 months previous.

Exports of October established a new here record vising to \$234.838

new high record rising to \$334.638,-578 which was \$33,961,756 more than the former record made in Septhan the former record made in September. October imports were \$148,529,529. The record trade balance made during the month was \$186,108,958. The previous high balance made in February was \$174,600,000.

During the 12 months ending with October, \$326,528,779 in gold came to the lighted figure to pay the debt.

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HIGH OFFICERS OF ARMY
AND NAVY IN CONERENCE

Newport, R. I., Nov. 22.—A conference of high officers of the army and navy was held at the Naval War college today. The army was represented by Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood and Brig. Gen. Montgomery M. Marcomb. President of the Army War College, and the navy by a number of rear admirals including some from the Atlantic fleet. The conference was held behind closed doors.

Tar Heels at Capital.

Washington. Nov. 22.—Mrs. John Washington. Nov. 22.—Mrs. John Blis of Aberdeen, is visiting Mrs. In denying this the German of ficial statement sent out on Sunday. November 21, said:

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People Determined, Says Earl of Derby, In Charge of Recruiting

GIVE RESULTS OF CANVASS DEC. 11

Intimates Nation Can Carry Conflict To Successful End Without Compulsion. Attaches Little Importance To Few Persons Try ing To Stop Enlistments

London. Nov 22 The country is sound and it is determined to see this war through to the end," said the Earl of Derby in talking to the American correspondents today regarding the British recruiting cam-paign, of which he is in charge. The people are as determined to carry the war through as they were in August of last year and we will win

That much, Lord Derby said, be That much Lord Derby said, he was willing to affirm as the result of his canva-s of the country. More definite information he was obliged to withheld until the formal an nouncement of the results of the canvass on December 11. He declined to answer questions whether responses had exceeded his expectations or to indicate whether the number of recruits meets require ments.

Lord Derby said it would be a great achievement if the nation carried the war to a successful end without compulsion. He attributed the previous failure of many to come forward largely to the fact that the

necessity had not been realized.

The fact that Great Britain primarily was a naval power and that the navy was doing all that had been expected of it, also, he thought, had its effect on recrulting. He attached very little importace to the few persons trying to discourage enlistments.

SEEKS REMOVAL OF TOBACCO EMBARGO

(By the Associated Press)
Richmond, Va., Nov. 22—George
W. Koiner, State Commissioner of
Agriculture, has issued a request to
the tobacco boards of trade of Richmond, Lynchburg, Petersburg and
Farmville to call upon President
Wilson, Secretary Lansing and the
Senators and Congressmen of the exporting tobacco district to take such
steps as may be necessary to bring
about a modification of the British
Order in Council, so that tobacco Order in Council, so that tobacco may be shipped to neutral countries in Europe without restriction as to re-exportation, in order that the to-bacco may reach its final destination in Germany and Austria.

CHARGES WOMEN SOLD THEIR VOTES

St Louis. Mo. Nov 22.—Con-gressman Jacob E. Meeker, of St. bear upon her. The Germans, it is Louis, addressing a suffrage meet-said, are asking Rumaniz to give as-

the OBREGON CONFERS WITH U.S. OFFICERS

sold his vote for a glass of hear.

Douglas, Ariz., Nov. 22 -Gen Alvarado Obregon. commander of the Carranza forces in Sonora, now attempting to crush the forces of Gen Francisco Villa, most of which are now concentrated in Sonora state, to day discussed his plans with Army officers here. The details Army officers here were not made public.

After the conference Gen Obregon received a delegation of mining men porthwesters. Sonora He

from northwester: Sonora He gave them assurances of protection should they re-open their properties. General Obregon returned to Naco tonight after a visit to Agua Prieta.
The main Carranza army in So-nora tonight was reported moving toward Nogales along the Southern

Pacific Railroad Official messages from Col. Cardenas, received by Mexican Consul Lelevier at Naco, Indicated Gen. Jos. Rodriguez with his Vilia troops evacuated Caranea and turned eastward contrary to previous reports from Obreson They apparently were moving in the direction of Chihuahua state. Cardenas reported

Kinston, Nov. 22.—Jessie May Jones, a Pitt county negress, is today beginning a 12-months sentence on the Lenoir county roads for securing money and clothing from Kinston housewives and individuals by false pretence. The woman pretention pretense. The woman, pretending to be in the employ of a well-known white woman, applied at the homes of various neighbors for the loan of 50 or 75 cents for her alleged mistress until she had accumulated quite a sum. She secured shoes and a sweater from a down town store by the same method. She was caught when she applied at the home of a policeman for a loan for "her

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tion, Journal War Participation, Jergy ver, According To Report

ITALY JOINS IN RESTRAINT MOVE

Serbians Win Victory Over Bulgarians and Latter Delay March On Monastir, More Hopeful Feeling Resulting In Capitals of Allies

(By the Associated Press)
London, Nov. 23.—A Daily Mail
dispatch from Rotterdam says:
"One of Germany's newest dreadnaughts struck a mine Friday in the
Rattic Sta and went to the bottom.
All the members of the crew were
saved except 38, who were drowned."

BEGIN GREAT OFFENSIVE Referram, Nov. 22.—(Via Lon-don)—The Colome Gazette reports that a great offensive movement has been initiated at the Dardanelles by

the allies.

VIOLENT FIGHTING OPENS
Constantinople, Nov. 22—(Via
Lendon)—Violent fighting in the
vicin'ty of Seddul-Bahr, on the tip
of Gallipoli peninsula, is reported by
the war office today. The statement

iolicas:
"Artillery duels are in progress on
the Dardanelles front. Violent fighting with bombs is taking place near
Seddul-Bahr."

London, Nov. 22.—No definite news has been received here of Greece's reply to the demands for guarantees for the safety of the Anglo-French forces landed at Saioniki, or for thit of the Serbians who might be forced over the Greek frontier. One dispatch from Athens, however, says the Greek cabinet is disposed to accept the conditions laid down by the entents powers, except that condition requiring Greece to participate in the war and that a solution of the whole difficulty may be expected immediately.

Meanwhile the blockade of Greek commerce has commenced and Italy, it is reported, is participating in the measures of restraint decided upon. This, with the news that the Serbians

measures of restraint decided upon. This, with the news that the Serbians have won a victory over the Bulgarians northeast of Pristina, that the Bulgarians have delayed their march on Monastir and that the Austro-Germans are laboring under difficulties as a result of the wintry weather, has created a more hopeful feeling in the capitals of the entents silies.

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The British and French forces daily are being strengthened by men and guns landed at Saloniki, and part of the reinforcements is being sent to Monastir, where the Berbians also are reported to be concentrating and threatening the Bulgarians at Prilep.

Rumania finds herself in much the same position as Greece with

Rumania unds herself in much the same position as Greece, with both the entente allies and the cen-tral powers bringing pressure to bear upon her. The Germans, it is the Louis, addressing a suffrage meeting here today, created an uproar when he said that in Denver, so he had been told, women sold their votes for \$50 esch, and that the votes of society women there could be bought with theatre tickets.

When the congressman tried to leave the room women blocked his path and hurled arguments at him. Mrs. Kate O'Hara said the women who sold her vote for \$50 showed more intelligence than the man who sold his vote for a glass of iver.

very long.
There is little news of importance from any of the other fronts. The Italians, by their continued offensive are strengthening their positions around Gorizia, which it is believed cannot hold out much

ionger
On the western front the British
and French artillery has become
more active in Flanders and tham
pagne, which on previous occasions has been the signal for offensive movements. The Russians since they regained the ground they lost the river Styr have been inactive except for minor attacks in the region. The Petrograd correspon-dents however, predict that more important events are impending.

Another fittills of British subma-

Another field of British submarines is reported to have arrived in the Baltic.

Serbs Win Victory.

Petrograd, via London. Nov. 22.—
Advices received by the Serbian legation today concerning the defeat of the Bulgarians near Nish last Saturday, said the Serb victory was arurday, said the Serb victory was ex-nected to delay indefinitely the repected to delay indefinitely the re-opening of the railroad to Constanti-

Italians Driven From Positions. Ber'in, Nov. 22.—(Via Wireless to Sayville)—Recounting the opera-tions in the battle for Gorizia, the Austro-Hungarian official report re-BORROWS MONEY FOR
MYTHICAL EMPLOYERS
Kinston, Nov. 22.—Jessie May
Jones a Pitt county negress is today.

FRENCH DESCRIBES GERMAN LOSSES

(By the Associated Press.)

London, Nov. 22 — Field Marshal Sir John French, in his report from the front, issued tonight, described briefly an organized bombardment by the British artillery of the German lines, and refers again to the fighting in October around Loos. Of the German counter attack of the German counter attack of October 8, Field Marshal French had neviously reported that the German losses were very heavy, "some 8,000 or 9,000 dead being left in front of the British and French trenches."

In denying this the German of Seinl statement sent out on Sunday.