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ENGLAND IS A SOLEMN PLACE AND SHOWS IT

Face and Pace of Briton Indicates Effect of War on Mind of Population.

TENSENESS, BUT NO ALARM

Edward D. Clark, Fresh From Ship Passage Through Mine-Stricken St. George's Channel, Gives His Impressions of Trip.

By EDWARD D. CLARK. London.—The American ship Philadelphia made Liverpool safe, for all the prevailing scare.

Was there danger as the American liner made its way through these salt seas toward Liverpool? Perhaps, but it is so, no passenger on board gave expression to it in word or face.

There was a tenseness among the men and women on the ship, but it was an inward thing. No one with sense believed for a moment that a submarine would strike an American passenger ship.

Other American ships unquestionably will continue to go through the channel and the lesser sea unmenaced. There was the space of a sense of danger to make the trip exhilarating or depressing as people affect the human frame and mind.

Until the edge of the war zone out lying inland was reached no flag was shown by the Philadelphia. When the waters of so-called danger were approached the Stars and Stripes were broken out at the proper station.

There were five natives of England to one native of America on the Philadelphia, and for once at least on the high seas the Stars and Stripes looked good to English eyes.

Man-of-War Asks for Information. Some forty miles beyond Daunt's rock the lights of a man-of-war appeared. The vessel was lying in the sea shadowed not more than three-quarters of a mile away.

"Where bound?" Back went the answer. If the response had not been given quickly and readily a shot would have come across the Philadelphia's bows.

No Fear Felt by Americans. There may have been no submarines in the Irish sea when the Philadelphia made its way toward Liverpool.

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SAMUEL L. RODGERS

Samuel L. Rodgers, of Franklin, N. C., recently selected by President Wilson for Director of the Census has had an eventful and unusual life, both in private and public station.

For twelve years Mr. Rodgers was a member of the corporation commission of North Carolina. This is one of the important public agencies of the state having control of common carriers, state banks and other public service corporations.

His habits of industry and loyalty to duty are of the highest. Those who know him and have followed his work in North Carolina speak for the Census Bureau as a fair and efficient administration.

BRITISH FORCES IN FRANCE.

Number 750,000 Men.—Every Place Filled.

London.—The British expeditionary force in France, which at the beginning of the war consisted of six divisions, has been increased to more than 24, or, roughly speaking, 750,000 men according to a statement by David Lloyd-George, Chancellor of the Exchequer, in the House of Commons.

The Chancellor added that the place of every man who had fallen in battle was admirably equipped. But he reiterated the need for munitions, declaring that during the battle of Neuve Chapelle more ammunition was used than in the whole of the South African war, which lasted nearly three years.

The interesting information also was given that the output of the munition factories had been increased more than fifteenfold since the outbreak of the war but the call was still for more, and Mr. Lloyd-George continues to hold the opinion that suspension of liquor is interfering with the work he promised legislation to deal with this matter.

Mrs. Gory Rescued by E. A. R. Washington.—Mrs. William Gummery, a woman of New York was re-elected president general of the Daughters of the American Revolution over Mrs. George Thatcher, Governor of Kansas by a vote of 755 to 451.

Ford People Increase Wages. Detroit, Mich.—A sweeping advance in wages and reduction of working hours for all employees was made by the Ford Motor Company, Limited, of Canada. All employees in the company's service six months or longer will receive a minimum wage of 50 cents an hour or \$4.00 a day, the working hours being reduced to eight hours a day or 48 hours a week.

Several Persons Killed. Birmingham, Ala.—More than a dozen persons were believed to have lost their lives and a score were known to have been injured in the wrecking of two stores here by the falling of a five-story wall of the Steel-Sullivan building on Second avenue. The body of A. E. McLeod, manager of the wrecked Atlantic & Pacific Tea Store and three unidentified bodies had been recovered from the debris. Many others are known to be buried in the ruins.

PEOPLE OF ENGLAND MORE CONFIDENT

CONDITION OF ARMY AND OUTPUT OF MUNITIONS INCREASES ENTHUSIASM.

SUBMARINES ARE ACTIVE

British Submarines Found in German Waters—Cabinet Ministers Make Frank Statements.

London.—Glowing accounts of the strength and condition of the British army and of the great increase in the output of munitions, which it is expected, next month will amount to 25 times what it was last September, given by David Lloyd-George, Chancellor of the Exchequer and Harold J. Tennant, Parliamentary Secretary of the War Office, in the House of Commons, have increased enthusiasm and confidence of the people of England in the war.

Supplementing the Chancellor's statement that Great Britain has more than 35 divisions of troops on the Continent and that the output of munitions has increased enormously, Mr. Tennant, speaking on behalf of the Secretary of War, Lord Kitchener, declared that recruiting had been most satisfactory and gratifying; that the health of the troops was splendid, and that the wounded were in the London hospitals 24 hours after they were struck in France. He wished to impress on the country the necessity of increasing the supplies of artillery ammunition, adding:

"There is no limit to the amount required." The frankness of the Cabinet Ministers in making known the number of men at the front, and the reports that reach London from various sources have convinced the people that at last the big effort against Germany and Turkey is about to commence. Both in the Aegean and North Seas there are signs of increasing activity. From today all steamboat communication with Holland is stopped by order of the British Government.

Taken in connection with the news from Berlin that British submarines have been in the light of Heligoland, where the German admiralty lays claim to having sunk one, and perhaps more, this is believed to foreshadow some movement in the North Sea, while there is no longer any endeavor to hide the fact that a big Anglo-French force is prepared to go, as General O'Mahony, the French commander, has said, "to any point where it is required."

CRUISER WILHELM REPAIRED.

Taken Out of Dry Dock After Small Hole is Stopped.

Newport News, Va.—After having her hull below the water-line cleaned and painted the German auxiliary cruiser Kronprinz Wilhelm was taken from the drydock at the local shipyard and is lying at anchor in the harbor. The only repairs made to the ship while she was in dock was the stoppage of a small hole in her port bow, made when the rigger rammed and sank one of her prizes at sea. When floated from the dock the big cruiser showed a bad list which is said to be due to faulty construction but which is overcome when the ship is loaded.

The new batter tubes ordered by Commander Thierfelder soon after his arrival here has arrived. They will be installed by workmen from the shipyard and not by members of the crew as was the case when the Prinz Eitel Friedrich was repaired. The work done by the naval survey board has been so closely guarded that the time of the survey has not been made known. The armed guard of artillerymen from Fort Monroe returned to quarters.

Frank Asks For Clemency.

Atlanta, Ga.—Attorneys for Leo M. Frank filed a petition with Governor Staten and the Georgia prison commission asking that the sentence of death imposed upon Frank for the murder of Mary Phagan be commuted to life imprisonment.

March Exports Increased.

Washington.—Excess of American exports over imports in March this year was \$149,963,247, the largest favorable trade balance for March in the history of American commerce. Exports for the month were \$226,669,563, and imports \$156,699,216.

For the nine months ending with March, says a department of commerce statement, imports have decreased from \$1,461,844,138 in 1912-13 to \$1,228,252,578 in 1913-14 and \$1,247,671,543 in the current year.

Villa Concentrating His Forces. Washington.—Consular dispatches from Mexico indicate that while temporarily disrupted by the defeat at Culera, General Villa's forces by no means have been removed as a respectable factor in Mexico's civil war. Plans for another battle with Obregon's Carranza forces are proceeding rapidly. Villa's chief difficulty is his lack of ammunition. Too, when he met Obregon at Culera, Villa had sent forces to attack Matamoros, Nuevo Laredo, Compa and West coast towns greatly depleting his main force.

You Like Your Home?

The degree of love you have for your home is shown in the care you take of it. Beautiful homes make a beautiful community. Such a community in turn demand stores that give a service in keeping with that community. That's the kind of store we are operating. It is our aim to give you high quality drug store goods, courteous service and conduct our store in such a way that it will reflect credit on the community in which we live. Whatever trade you give us, co-operates with us and it also helps yourself. Deal at this the home store and we both profit.

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E. A. ALLSBROOK The Fish Man

Notice!

It has been reported that I had quit the insurance business. This report is unfounded and untrue. Some of my ex-associates have been used and policies slipped in by some of my competitors. This is not generally customary in the insurance world. It is generally known by fire insurance agents that the agency belongs to the company and the expirations and business belong to the agent who produces it. A company has the right to withdraw from an agency, an agent also has a right to withdraw from a company. ALL policies will be renewed at expiration unless otherwise instructed. I write all kinds of insurance, representing the strongest and most liberal companies in the world. This agency can write the whole town, use all losses and won't miss its money. WILL H. JOSEY, General Insurance Agent.

PARKER'S HAIR DRESSING. Cleanses and beautifies the hair. Promotes its growth. Causes it to restore gray hair to its youthful color. Prevents hair falling out. Use only at night.



Jules Bois, chevalier of the legion of honor and prophet of feminism in France, is now in this country to make an investigation of our food production and exportation.

"American takes all possible trouble over the munition requirements of our enemies ostensibly from a love of neutrality. She does not trouble about the possible food requirements of Germany; this also is done from a love of neutrality." The Vossische Zeitung: "Washington should recognize that such an attitude on the part of America will not speedily be forgotten in Germany."

THEY DO AS THE ROMANS DID

Some Locomotives Know About the Ancient Bath in Strand Lane.

London.—The old Roman bath in Strand Lane is undergoing a cleansing process in preparation for the advent of summer. The bath is one of the few remains of ancient times. It is very little known even by Londoners and almost altogether unknown to visiters.

Those who plunge into its absolute icy water fed from a natural spring have the satisfaction of knowing that they are bathing in the same spot as their Roman forbears. The bath is 13 feet long and about 15 feet across.

Tabby Adopts Wildcats.

Sliver Lake, Ore.—A pair of baby bobcats, whose mother was killed by F. R. Bass, have been adopted by a big tabby cat on the Bass homestead south of Arrow. When the tiny wild cats arrived at the Bass place the feline at once pecked them up, cat fashion, and carried them to her bed.