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## BAY LINE STEAMER VIRGINIA

WITH 156 PASSENGERS ABOARD BURNED TO THE WATER'S EDGE AT THE MOUTH OF THE POTOMAC RIVER AT ONE O'CLOCK LAST NIGHT. FIFTEEN PEOPLE BELIEVED TO HAVE LOST THEIR LIVES

BALTIMORE, May 24.—(2:00 p. m.)—This afternoon at the offices of the Bay Line Steamship Company the list of survivors total up to the number which sailed on the steamer Virginia for Norfolk last evening. It is said however, that a number of the crew were lost, and only 16 of the 62 it was announced were landed. If this statement proves to be correct 46 will have lost their lives.

BALTIMORE, Md., May 24.—The steamer Virginia of the Old Bay Line loaded with freight and carrying 156 passengers bound for Norfolk was burned early this morning to the waters edge at the mouth of the Potomac river. A naval commander on board of the Florida and one of the rescuing vessels said that he believed from ten to fifteen persons perished.

Three Negroes known to have perished.

NORFOLK, Va., May 24.—Three negro firemen and it is presumed that some of the passengers were lost when the Bay Line steamer Virginia burned to the waters' edge off Smith's Point in the Chesapeake Bay shortly before one o'clock this morning. Over 100 survivors were brought to this city, while the others were taken to Washington and Baltimore by the passing steamers which rescued them.

The survivors which came to this port so dazed they could hardly tell what happened in the early morning confusion, but everyone showed that they had spent a night of terror. They could hardly give a coherent account except to say that they were awakened by cries of fire and hardly had time to escape in their night clothes before the ship was enveloped in flames. Nearly all were asleep when the fire was discovered and many of them saved none of their effects. How the fire started has not been learned at this time.

Enterprise Lumber Co., has big fire. GOLDSBORO, N. C., May 24.—Fire last night virtually destroyed the Enterprise Lumber Company's plant at Mount Olive and caused a loss of between seventy five and one hundred thousand dollars which was covered by insurance.

NC-4 Still Unable to Fly. WASHINGTON, May 24.—Weather conditions are still unfavorable for the Naval Hydro-plane NC-4, to make a start from Ponto Del Gados to Lisbon, her present objective, according to a message received from Admiral Jackson. This news was not unexpected, since it has been known here that the weather conditions off the Aorea were unsuited for flying.

Military Terms for Austria. Paris, May 24.—The Council of four today continued to examine and discuss the peace terms with Austria and especially the military terms of that treaty. It is expected the document will be ready for the Austrians by next Wednesday.

Versailles, May 24.—Count Brockdorff-Rantzau and other members of the German Peace delegation who went to Spa on Thursday, returned to this city today with the exception of the financial expert. All the members were smiling and seemed to be in good spirits.

### MARKETS

COTTON New York, May 24.—Reports of heavy general rains in Texas and

## FIRES AND LOUD EXPLOSIONS

Heard in City of Petrograd. Estonian Troops on Outside; People Inside

### FIGHTING BOLSHEVIKI

London, May 24.—Great res and loud explosions have occurred in and around Petrograd according to reports sent to the Daily Mail by its correspondent from Helsinki. It is stated that the Bolsheviki have been pressed by Estonian troops into and through the city while on the inside of the city the people have risen in revolt. These explosions are supposed to be caused by retreating Bolsheviki troops who are blowing up stores of ammunition in their retreat from the city.

over the central belt caused considerable excitement at the opening of the cottonmarket here today, and first prices showed an advance of from 15 to 18 points above last night's close. The buying was very heavy.

New York, May 24.—Cotton futures opened strong with July 30.05 to 30.33, October 29.60 to 29.90, December 29.30, January 29.15, March 28.75.

At noon, spots, Wilson market, middling basis, 30c.

New York, May 24.—Cotton futures closed steady with July at 30.90, October 30.35, December 29.95, January 29.70.

### STOCKS.

NEW YORK, (Wall Street)—May 24.—The steel and coppers shares continued to be the interesting feature at the opening of today's stock market as the result of the recent developments favorable to those interests. The United States steel added a small fraction to yesterday's new high record, but the affiliated shares and equipment's rose one and one-half points with the industrials and Utah Coppers. The rails displayed further strength. The Motors and kindred specialties made additional advances and added to yesterday's gains, but the high grade Oils and Shippings were irregular.

### WEATHER

For North Carolina: Fair tonight and probably Saturday. Not much change in temperature; moderate South and Southwest winds.

### COMMANDER READ WILL NOT START BEFORE SUNDAY

PONTA DEL GADA May 23.—Lt. Commander A. C. Read, U. S. N., announced tonight that strong easterly winds off the coast of Portugal would prevent his starting in the seaplane NC-4 for the flight to Lisbon before daybreak Sunday.

High winds and a choppy sea today caused a postponement of the flight of the NC-4 to Lisbon until Saturday. Lt. Commander A. C. Read, said he was not willing to risk the last survivor of the NC planes until the weather conditions were perfect.

### CHARLOTTE MAN SHOT AND KILLED IN AUTO

CHARLOTTE, N. C., May 23.—Harry L. Montgomery, manager of a local automobile distributing house was shot twice, and instantly killed tonight on the Myers-Dilworth highway in the outskirts of the city while riding in an automobile with his fiancée, Miss Lorine Owens, as the two were returning from a dance.

## WOMAN SUFFRAGE WILL PASS SENATE

66 Votes Assured, 28 Opposed and Two Non-Committal, The Way

### THE SENATE STANDS

WASHINGTON, May 22.—With the acquisition of Senator Hale of Maine to the ranks of supporters of national woman suffrage the Senate majority in favor of the constitutional amendment was increased today to two above the requisite two-thirds vote, and Senate leaders conceded today that the suffrage amendment, adopted by the House yesterday will be carried in the Senate.

With Senator Hale's support the suffrage advocates now have 66 votes assured, as against 28 opposed and two noncommittal. Even if the two doubtful Senators vote with the opponents of the measure, the suffrage supporters would have a majority of 1.

Here is the way the Senate stands today upon the suffrage proposal, and the day, leaders say the vote will go when the amendment comes up, of all the Senators are voting.

#### For the Amendment. Republicans—40.

Bdell	Lenroot
Calder	McCormick
Capper	McCumber
Coit	McNary
Cummins	Nelson
Curtis	New
Edge	Newberry
Elkins	Norris
Fall	Page
Fernald	Phipps
France	Poinexter
Frelinghuysen	Sherman
Gronna	Smoot
Harding	Spencer
Hale	Sterling
Johnson	Townsend
Kellogg	Warren
Kenyon	Watson
Keys	Hale
La Follette	Sutherland

#### Democrats—28.

Ashurst	Myers
Chamberlain	Nugent
Culberson	Owen
Gerry	Phelan
Gore	Pittman
Harris	Ransdell
Henderson	Robinson
Johnson, S. (D.)	Sheppard
Jones, (N. M.)	Smith
Kendrick	Stanley
King	Thomas
Kirby	Walsh (Mass)
McKellar	Walsh (Mon.)

#### Against the Amendment. Republicans—9.

Borah	Moses
Brandagee	McLean
Dillingham	Penrose
Knox	Wadsworth
Lodge	

#### Democrats—19.

Bankhead	Simmons
Beckham	Smith, (Ga.)
Fletcher	Smith, (Md.)
Gay	Smith, (S. C.)
Hitchcock	Swanson
Martin	Tammell
Overman	Underwood
Pomerene	Williams
Reed	Wolcott
Shields	

#### Doubtful. Democrats—2.

Harrison Dial. In announcing himself in favor of the suffrage resolution today, Senator Hale, explained that when he voted against it in the Senate before, his State had not declared its attitude on woman suffrage. He had voted, therefore, from his own conviction. Since then the voters of his State have declared for the vote for the women of Maine in Presidential elections.

"If women are qualified to vote at Presidential elections," said Mr. Hale, "they are qualified to vote in any other election. I do not feel that I am bound by the former position taken by me and shall vote for the amendment when it comes up in the Senate."

The suffrage resolution will probably reach the Senate for a vote late next week.

## CUMMINS SAYS 200,000 MEN

On Railroad Payroll List Absolutely Worthless, Should be Discharged

### GUARANTEE DIVIDENDS

CHICAGO, May 22.—Senator Cummings, who will be chairman of the Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce, has worked out a program which he says will relieve the taxpayers of the burden of the present railroad deficit and restore the roads to their owners on a plan providing for profitable private operation and better and cheaper service, says a dispatch to The Chicago Tribune from its Washington correspondent who adds:

"The Senator asserted that during the period of re-adjustment of the railroads it will be necessary for the Government to guarantee dividends, and under his plan the Interstate Commerce Commission would be charged with the responsibility of bringing the expenditures and the earnings of the railroads into closer accord.

"To narrow the gap between expenditures and earnings the Interstate Commerce Commission will have to do two things, according to Senator Cummings. They are First, dismiss from the railroads more than 200,000 men who are being carried on the payrolls in excess of the number actually needed. This will have approximately \$200,000,000 a year. Second increase rates in some instances.

"Senator Cummings' bill, tentatively drafted, calls for the reorganization of the American railroads into fifteen of twenty systems, and it is this period he would have the Government continue guaranteeing dividends."

### AN UNHERALDED ARMY.

To the Editor of the N. Y. Times: There is an army returning, silently and unheralded, and an army by whose bravery and sacrifice it was possible for a great many of our boys to parade up Fifth avenue. I mean our nurses.

In my several months' experience as an ambulance driver in the Motor Corps I have taken many a nurse from one hospital to another on a stretcher, a nurse who cried when I started the motor, because the noise was too much for her broken, shattered nerves;—nurses who have served for months and months on front line dressing stations, enduring unheard of hardships and giving their all cheerfully, to return broken and worn to America.

Isn't it about time that these heroes receive some public recognition for their services?

EDITH OTIS.

Brooklyn, May 7, 1919.

### AMERICAN CANNON WOULD HAVE WON

WASHINGTON, May 13.—Behind the armies in France which smashed a road to victory through the German defenses last fall, the United States was forging before the armistice was signed, weapons gigantic and powerful, counted upon to make ultimate victory certain. In the American artillery program alone, the full fruition of which could not have been reached before 1920, there was in creation an agency believed by army men here to be of itself able to bring the victory.

An official and detailed account of that program is contained in the chapters made public today of "America's Munitions," the historical report prepared under the direction of Assistant Secretary Crowell, who was director of munitions during the war.

### WEATHER

Probably Showers tonight and Sunday.

For North Carolina: Probably showers tonight and Sunday; no change in temperature; moderate South winds.

## ARMY STRENGTH OF AUSTRIA

## BATH ROOMS AT COUNTRY CLUB

Half of Money Subscribed Last Night At Annual Meeting. Mr. Jones

### OETTINGER IS PRESIDENT

In recognition of a year of earnest interest and endeavor to popularize and place the Country Club not only on a financial basis, but a splendid resort for Wilson members and their friends who desired to spend a while in relaxation and pleasure, Mr. Jonas Oettinger last evening was re-elected president, and Mr. V. W. Stuart, who has also taken a deep interest in the club since its organization was continued on the directorate notwithstanding his determination to retire.

The club membership were the guests of President Oettinger and following the meeting in which Secretary-Treasurer, E. A. Darden's report showed the club in a most excellent financial condition, delicious refreshments of cream and cake, mints and nuts were served to about sixty stock holders present.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Oettinger who read his annual report. This opened with the statement that not a few felt that the club could not be maintained, especially through the war period when so many boys were away from home in the service of their country, but this opinion has not proven well founded, for the report of the treasurer, Mr. Darden, will show that it is in pretty good financial condition comparatively, and now since the war is over and the boys are returning home with the laurels of victory on their brow we may resume the former festivities which have been such a source of pleasure to the members of the club and their families.

Mr. Oettinger spoke of the increasing value of club property, which would add still greater value in the coming years, in his mind's eye he saw beautiful homes fronting the club grounds, country homes of club members and residents of Wilson. He referred to the splendid 4th of July celebration last year and stated that he desired it should be continued.

He was proud to say that the new machinery for the light and water plant has been installed at a cost of around \$2,500.00 and this would light the building and the grounds and furnish ample water for all purposes. The liabilities of the club are around \$12,000 and the value of the property is worth two or three times more than that. The membership numbers 176. The farm rental for 1920 will be \$350.00 while the rental for 1921 will be \$450.00. He also anticipated some revenue from the sale of lights to residents close to the club.

He read a letter of appreciation from Mrs. H. G. Connor, thanking the club for courtesies shown the Daughters of the Confederacy. He closed an admirable paper by asking the membership to give the incoming administration their undivided support and a boost instead of knocks.

He commended Earl, the colored steward, to his successors, saying he had labored under many difficulties, in the matter of water as well as fuel during the past winter. These troubles were now remedied. Mr. E. A. Darden then read his report as Secretary and Treasurer which he said covered a period of more than a year. He stated that the receipts were more than \$9000.00 and after the expenditures there was left in the bank \$256.00. He stated that he wanted his books audited and Mess. Earnest Deans and Captain Tilghman were named as the auditing Committee.

A report was asked of the stand-

WILL BE REDUCED FROM A MILLION MEN TO 15,000 AND ALL OF HER MILITARY STORES WILL BE EITHER SEIZED OR DESTROYED. 30TH DIVISION SELECTS GREENVILLE AS THE PLACE TO HOLD REUNION

Paris, May 23. (By The A. P.)—It was announced tonight that the treaty to be presented to Austria will be considered at the plenary session next Tuesday, and will be laid before the Austrian delegation on Wednesday. The Council of four today considered the military terms of the Austrian treaty after consultation with Marshal Foch, General Diaz, the latter the Italian Military Commander, and other leading allied officers. Under the terms of the treaty Austria's formidable army of a million men will be reduced to 15,000, and virtually all of her military stores will be either surrendered or destroyed.

### Will Hold Reunion in Greenville, South Carolina

Raleigh, N. C., May 24.—The executive Committee of the Old Hickory Association, composed of soldiers from the famous 30th division, met here today and selected Greenville, S. C., as the place to hold their first annual reunion on Sept. 28th and 29th.

### Ohio Dry Tonight.

Columbus, Ohio, May 24.—Although the Constitutional Prohibition State Amendment will not be enforced until Tuesday, the State will be practically dry at midnight tonight.

### Sixty Per cent Home.

WASHINGTON, May 24.—The mobilization of the American forces which have been returned from abroad show that sixty per cent have been returned to civil life, according to an official report announced. The total report which includes casuals give 2,215,161, of which 112,556 are officers. The sailing from overseas since November 11th., total 1,152,427.

### Troops Coming Home.

WASHINGTON, May 24.—Returns from abroad regarding the forces which have been assigned for sailing from France denote that all the Americans will be returned home except those in the regular divisions by June the 12th., Gen. March announced today.

Mr. E. C. Fulghum has been selected as judge of the Rocky Mount Poultry Show.

ing Committee, and Messrs Selby Anderson and George Lucas of the House and grounds Committee reported on the swimming pool and the golf links respectively. Mr. Anderson stated that his committee had been told to see what bath rooms would cost, one for the ladies and the other for the men built on the outside of the club house and near the pool, and when he found that it would cost \$750.00 he lost hope. Mr. Stewart stated that it was imperatively necessary that something be done since those who used the swimming pool would go up the back steps and throwing their dirty towels in the drain of the shower bath would cause the water to run down on the walls below and thus injure them greatly. Mr. Oettinger and others voiced this statement, and then arose a discussion as to how to secure the money.

Mr. Selby Anderson, Dr. Carl Moore and others wanted the club to pay for the bath rooms, while Dr. Wade Anderson felt sure that a canvass of the members would secure sufficient funds to erect suitable bath rooms on the outside for the use of the club members. A division was called for and it was decided

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