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GERMAN CRUISERS BOMBARDED THREE ENGLISH TOWNS YESTERDAY MORNING

Teuton Fleet Made Sudden Dash Into the GENERAL SCOTT North Sea and Cast Fear Into Hearts of British. Scarborough, Whitby and Hartlepool Were the Points Attacked. British Fleet Goes to Rescue and Naval Chief of Staff of the Army Three Hours Out of Liver- They Are Seriously Consid- Bombarded West End Yes-Engagement Followed.

LONDON, Dec. 16. (Central News Cable)—A German fleet this morning shelled the English towns of SITUATION Scarborough, Whitby and Hartlepool, on the north-cast coast. Several English warships which were patroll- Governor Maytorena Says Passengers Sure That Boat Their Plans Will Probably Repulse German Attacks ing in home waters engaged the enemy at a number of points and fierce fights followed. Historic Whitby Abbet we date and many houses were demolished.

This y persons were that and a number were badly injured. Fifty shells fell in Scarborough which was bombarded by four of the German cruisers which were driven off by the fire than the forts. A report from Middlesborough says that two German vessels partici
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Would Sink

New York, N. Y., Dec. 16.—Early that counsel for Leo M. Frank will again ask the United States Supreme that they had been lowtime charge of the situation there, each, passengers disembarking told which has grown critical. General of the narrow escape that they had been a considering seriously an ad- to German attack and occupied popating in the east coast bombardment were badly Scott will reach Naco tomorrow. damaged and are believed to have been sunken.

THE BOMBARDMENT LASTED FOR NEARLY AN HOUR tions which if they continue, are cer-

Lloyd's agent at West Hartlepool reports that the bombardment of Hartlepool lasted from 8:20 o'clock until 6:45 and that during this time the inhabitants of the town were panic stricken. The sound of firing was heard by the citizens, but no ships could be seen at that commander of the Villa troops besigned. heard by the citizens, but no ships could be seen at that time. Large crowds assembled on the beach and within a few minutes the shells began to fall into the announced he would discontinue firms. town after which the crowds fled for their lives.

LONDON BADLY SCARED

When the news of the German ravages reached London dispatched. It had warned both facthe excitement there was little less than that right on the line of bombardment. The Admiralty made a rather from our of their positions. Amershort announcement of the attack at first and later followed their positions. followed this up with what few details could be learned day to Naco were to arrive within at that hour. Thousands of excited Britons crowded three days. around bulletin boards and read the dispatches. that if at the end of that time firing The official announcement said:

German movements of some importance are taking the American troops-about 5,000 place this morning in the North Sea. Scarborough and strong-would be ordered to return it. Hartlepool have been shelled and our flotillas have at various points been engaged. The situation is developing."

FUGATIVES SAY GERMAN BOMBARDMENT WAS HEAVY.

Hull, Dec. 16,-(via London)morning train from Scarborough, to the greatest excitement. Hull brought many passengers who wired his wife here from Scarbor- for Hull. ough saying;

me; but I am all right."

CITIZENS OF SCARBOROUGH THROWN INVO A PANIC.

Hull, Eng., Dec. 16.—Refugees from way platforms destroyed. The in- don.

TWO GERMAN SHIPS SHELL TOWN OF WHITBY.

London, Dec. 16.—Whitby also was hombarded by the German raiding The historic abbey was partially destroyed. The German ves-sels appeared off the English coast at without the slightest warning. A lation is about 25,000.

British fleet has been ordered north Adjoining Hartlepool is west Hart-

SHELLS BEGAN FALLING JUST BEFORE 8 O'CLOCK.

Scarborough, Dec. 16 .- (via Lon-Fugitives reaching here from Sear-don)-When the German shells beborough say that the German bom- gan falling into Scarborough shortly bardment was heavy and that great before 8 o'clock today the people damage was done to property. The rushed out of their houses in a state of

The crowds ran hurriedly to the left Scarborough when the shelling railroad station, and all who could day by the Foreign Relations Comcommenced. A railroad man has boarded a train that was just leaving mittee.

Several buildings in Scarborough "Shells are falling thickly around have been damaged by the fire from to build a canal by the Nicaraguan the German warships.

A WORD PICTURE OF THE TOWNS BOMBARDED.

Scarborough is a scaport and fashthe bombarded seaport of Scarbor-ionable resort in the northern part of VIRGINIAN GOES TO SWITough arrived here today. Three Yorkshire on a headland extending churches at Scarborough, it is report- into the North Sea. It is thirtyed, were fired when the German cru-seven miles northeast of the importisers bombarded the town. The gas | ant English city of York. It is a litworks were set afire and two rail- tle more than 200 miles from Lon-

habitants of Scarborough were all scarborough has been popularly thrown into a panic, many fleeing styled "the queen of watering places."

The town has a large spar, and intersting aquairum, a museum and a fine drive and promenade pier. The permanent population is more than

Hartlepool is a seaport or municipal borough, if the southeast portion of the country of Durham. It is about forty miles northwest of Scardaybreak. Two cruisers attacked borough on a promonotory that ex-Whitby. All the bombardment's were tends into the North Sea. Its popu-

WILL REACH NACO THIS MORNING

Ordered There in Haste

His Troops Will Stop Firing Across Border

Secretary of War Garrison sent on the night of December 6. General Scott to the Mexican border because Scott is personally acquaint ed with Ville and many other leaders, in a final attempt to prevent conditions which if they continue, are cer-

Naco Beseiged

Washington. Dec. 16-While ing into United States territory. That compliance with orders of Provisional President Gutierrez, it was believed here, would relieve the tense situation.

... The Washington government has been notified that the orders of Gutierrez to his commander had been

It was the general impression here across the border had not ceased,

THE NICARAGUAN TREATY PASSES

Foreign Relations Committee Make Favorable Report

treaty was made to the Senate to- cargoes.

Nicaragua cedes perpetually to the United States an exclusive right

She also gives the United States the exclusive right to use Fonseca as a naval base.

. SERLAND.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 16. -The Senate confirmed today the nomination of Charles Champboss, Jr., of Virginia, to be secretary of the American legislation at Berne, Switzerland.

HORROR.

into the deaths of the 800 men who the positive declaration that cotton as already made its investigation ped on the high seas. of the circumstances surrounding the te of the warship, which sank

MINES EXPLODE **NEAR BIG BOAT**; LIVES AT STAKE

pool the Transylvania Has Escape

PANIC REIGNED

Had Been Struck and Would Sink

According to the story told, a heavy storm was raging and the seas were running high. Suddenly and without the slightest warning there was a terrific explosion to the starboard still has a chance of appeal. and the giant ship trembled from stem to stern.

Every one of the three hundred and sixty-five passengers at once came to the conclusion that the ship had struck a sunken mine and that she had received her death blow. Regardless of the fact that the waves were at times washing up on the upper decks the passengers flocked there in hardes and there was a scene of pandemonium.

The eaptain and officers assured the panic stricker men and women explosion was caused by the striking together of two mines and they were finally persuaded to return to their

It turned out that two giant mines had really exploded within a hundred feet of the vessel and fragments of these were imbedded in its sides when it arrived here today.

SEARCH SHIPS

Will Forego Exercise of Looking Over Boat's Cargo

Washington, Dec. 16-Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British ambassador, advised the state department today that his government was willing to forego the exercise of the right of search of vessels from American ports if the shipmasters would satisfy Washington, D. C., Dec. 16 .- A British consuls at ports of departure favorable report on the Nicaraguan as to the neutral character of their

> Unless this is done cargo ships will be subject to the ordinary rules of warfare and may be searched on the high seas or taken to the nearest British port for that purpose.

> The ambassador and Secretary Bryan discussed the subject at length. There is no authority to require an permission to take away cargo, but tion of the arrangement. After the ambassador's conference with Secre-Johnson, the state department soliciter, to discuss some of the details of

The department today received a note from the French government saying France, was prepared to give the same vassurance as INQUEST ON BATTLESHIP given by Great Britain regarding the non-contraband, character of American cotton Great Britain, Chatham, Eng. 16.—The inquest through Sir Edward Grey, made were lost when the battleship Bul- was not contraband, and cablebrams vark was blown up off Sheerness, today from the American embassy in ned here to-day. The Admiralty London said cotton would not be stop-

> The two mast schooner Priscilla arrived in port yesterday from At-

FRANK'S COUNSEL MAY ASK FOR **REVIEW OF CASE**

ering Taking Such Action

Mature Today or Tomorrow

noon in the Atlanta Law School, in on the Allied lines. which, in answer to questions he made the point that Frank, in his opinion,

Because of the authority from which this declaration emanated, Frank's counsel manifested great interest, but would make no definite assertion as to the move they contemplate making in the final efforts to save the prisoner. They said, however they expected developments within the next few days. Their attitude in regard to the utterances of District Attorney Alexander has led to the general belief that they are planning again to go before the Supreme Court in Washington.

Point Would Permit Appeal. Such a move would come in the nature of an appeal for a writ of error on the first motion for a new trial, which was refused by Judge L. S. Roan and later by the Georgia Supreme Court. According to the views of the United States District Attornev and counsel for Frank, the point

ublic passion was raised in the original inal appeal in such a manner as to per-

mit an appeal to the United States Supreme Court.

Should the writ be granted, it would mean the taking of the entire ease from the Georgia Supreme Court to the United States Supreme Court for review and would determine whether Frank should be granted another hearing. Its, effect would be wholly different from that which would have attended the granting of the writ of error denied by the United States Supreme Court recently on a plea to set aside the verdict of guilty because of Frank's absence from the courtroom when it was rendered. The sustaining of this motion would have freed the condemned man without another trial.

The attorneys are expected to confer tomorrow at which time the point will be discussed in all of its phase and definite action probably determined.

Thinks Frank Still Has Right

The District Attorney's opinion was developed during his address to his class of "Constitutional Law", when sein Pasha would reign in his stead. American ship captain to apply to a a student asked a question as to why foreign consul in this country for the United States Supreme court had denied the writ of error in the Frank the state department has listened case. Mr. Alexander explained that favorably to the suggestion, that this decision simply upheld the Georvexatious interference with commerce gla Supreme Court in its right to demight be greatly reduced by the adop- fine "due process of law," as a matter of "practice," but suggested that, in his opinion, the prisoner still has the tary Bryan he was referred to Cone right to plead from the original appeal for a new trial on the ground that he was deprived of his constitutional rights of a fair and impartial

> Attorney Harry A. Alexander, of counsel for Frank, was deeply impressed by this opinion.

pressions are seriously being considered by attorneys for Frank," he said into his own brain. we are satisfied the point of an unfair trial, as made in the original appeal, can be carried before the United to the Harlem hospital in the same yet prepared to say, however, just what move will be made.

Miss Julia Wetherington, of Clarks, pent yesterday in New Bern.

THE BRITISH **AFTER TEUTONS** IN BELGIUM

terday In Attempt to Drive Them Out

DEVELOPMENT SOON BELGIANS FIGHTING

and Occupy Good

Positions

three hours after leaving lLiverpool they are considering seriously an ad- a German attack and occupied podress by United States District Attor- sitions on the left bank of the Yser. ney Hooper Alexander Tuesday after- Gains are reported at other points

No Success.

Petrograd, Dec. 16.-The Army Messenger publishes a series of communications from the front as fol-

"On the front of Lowiez and Illow violent German attacks have had no success. Our troops have repulsed the Germans, eausing them to suffer

"South of Craeow the enemy attempted between the 12th and 14th of December to oppose our offensive by strengthening its positions. On the 15th the enemy detoured in large numbers from the pass of Duka and attempted to decend the slopes on the north side of the Carpathians Our troops after a strong

resistance repulsed the enemy. Many Prisoners.

Berlin, Dec. 16.-The attempt of the Allies to advance in Belgium by way of Nieuport and supported by warships at sea, was frustrated. About covering the charge of prejudice and four hundred and fifty prisoners were

Ambassador Leaves.

Amsterdam, Via London, Dec. 16. -A Berlin telegram announces Prince Bernhard Von Buelow, former German chancellor, who recently accepted the post of ambassador to Italy, left for Rome on Tuesday.

General Bronsart Von Schellendorf, former Prussian minister of war, is dead.

Off to Vienna.

London, Dec. 16. - A Central News Dispatch from Constantinople via Amsterdam states Khedive Kilmi of Egypt has gone to Vienna for a conference with the Austiran authori-

Abbas Kilmi has been in Constantinople for some time and according to reports, was preparing to lead a Turkish army into Egypt to wrest control of his country from the British. His pro-Ottoman leanings it has been stated, caused his exile from his own country. Recently there have been reports from British sources that he would be deposed as Khedive and that Prince Hes-

AN EX-PHYSICIAN SHOT HIS WIFE

New York Man Then Blew His Own Brains Out

New York, Dec. 16.-After shooting down his wife as she walked among an early morning crowd in 122 street this morning, Lazarus Finklestein, fifty years of age and an "Mr. Alexander is an able authority ex-physician and teacher of various on constitutional matters, and his ex- laguages, turned the smoking revolver on himself and sent a bullet

The woman and her husband were picked from the street and carried States Supreme Court. We are not ambulance. On the way he died but she is expected to recover.

The pair had become separated and Mrs. Finklestein's refusal to return to him was the cause of the shooting.