

HIGH RAIL COURT GRANTS ROADS OF EAST RATE RAISE

Interstate Commerce Commission Allows Carriers to Increase Freight Charges.

WAR CONDITIONS THE GROUNDS Lines from Atlantic to Mississippi North of Ohio and Potomac in on It.

ADDED INCOME OF \$30,000,000 Transportation Disorganized by European Struggle.

TWO MEMBERS AGAINST RULING

Harlan and Clements Dissent from Majority of Board, Voting to Permit Companies to Boost Tariffs.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Increases in freight rates, approximating 5 per cent on all the railroads between the Atlantic seaboard and the Mississippi, north of the Potomac and Ohio rivers, were granted today by the Interstate Commerce Commission in a divided opinion.

War Disorganizes Transportation. With Commissioners Harlan and Clements dissenting, the majority of the commission declared:

"Whatever the consequences of the war may prove to be, we must recognize the fact that it exists, the fact that it is a calamity without precedent and the fact that by it the commerce of the world has been disarranged and thrown into confusion. The means of transportation are fundamental and indispensable agencies in our industrial life and for the common welfare should be kept abreast of public requirements."

DANES WATCHING ALL AMERICAN CARGOES

LONDON, Dec. 18.—According to a Copenhagen dispatch to the Central News the government there has ordered all Danish importers of foodstuffs from America to deposit with the government bills of lading and orders showing the disposal of these cargoes, with a view of preventing absolutely any export of food to Germany.

ON THE SOUTHERN BATTLE FRONT—French soldiers entering the ruined village of Capy in Picardy, where they were seeking to fight their way through to Alsace.



EUGENE DUVAL TO SUCCEED F. A. NASH

Promotion Comes to Man Who Has Been Late General Agent's Assistant for Ten Years.

Mr. Duval's residence in Omaha dates back nineteen years, and he is the one man who has been in the railroad business practically from the day of his birth. His father was agent for the Grand Trunk at Toronto, Can., and lived in the station building, where Eugene Duval was born. As soon as he could walk, young Duval began playing around the railroad office, and when he was 10 years old he had learned telegraphy. At 14 years of age he secured his first job, that of night telegraph operator at a station in one of the suburbs of Detroit, Mich. During oftentimes he learned stenography and a couple of years later went to the Washburn, as stenographer to the division superintendent at Peru, Ind. He remained with the Washburn until 1889, when he came to Omaha and secured a position with the Union Pacific as stenographer in the office of Superintendent Smith.

SHIPPEES NOT FOR WAREHOUSE BILL

Proposed Legislation Does Not Meet with Approval with Grain and Live Stock Men. Resolution to Such Effect by Committee of St. Mary Unanimously Passed by Assembly in Convention.

A public warehouse bill is not in especially good standing with the Nebraska Farmers' Co-operative Grain and Live Stock Shippers' association, holding the last of its three days' convention in Omaha. In the resolutions adopted the warehouse bill was not condemned, but was touched upon in the following brief paragraph: "Resolved, That we instruct our legislative committee to keep a close watch that no warehouse bill is passed that will in any way be detrimental to the best interests of the farmers or their co-operative companies."

Tamer of Lions and Showman Arrested in New York Released

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—La Belle Andre, tamer of six lions which yesterday escaped from their cage on the stage of an eighty-sixth street vaudeville theater and caused a panic in the audience and the street outside, to which one of the animals followed her way, Carl A. Turquist, a showman, and George Hamilton, a hooking agent, were discharged when arrested in a police court today on charges of manslaughter. They were arrested yesterday after several persons had been claved, a policeman wounded by a bullet and one of the lions had been killed. The magistrate said he could find no law that would justify the defendants being held on the charge of manslaughter, as none of the persons claved by the lions were seriously hurt.

PROMOTED TO BE GENERAL AGENT OF THE MILWAUKEE.



Hussein Kemal Is Proclaimed Sultan Of Egypt by Britain

LONDON, Dec. 18.—It is officially announced that Prince Hussein Kemal has been appointed to succeed the khedive of Egypt, Abbas Hilmi. Prince Hussein Kemal will take the title of sultan. The new sultan is an uncle of Abbas Hilmi. The official press bureau in its announcement of the appointment says: "Prince Hussein Kemal Pasha, the eldest living prince of the family of Mahomet Ali, has accepted the post of sultan of Egypt." CAIRO, Egypt, Dec. 18.—(Via London).—A British protectorate was formally proclaimed throughout Egypt today. In all garrison towns a salute of 191 guns was fired and the union jack was hoisted.

The National Capital

Friday, December 18, 1914.

The Senate.

Hearings were resumed on the Philippine bill. Senator Sheppard spoke on his constitutional prohibition amendment. Rejected the nomination of W. N. Collins as postmaster at Kansas City, Mo. Adjourned at 4:32 p. m. to noon Saturday.

The House.

January 21 was selected as the day for elections for the late Representative Bremer of New Jersey. Representative Gardner testified before the naval committee urging increases of defense. Passed legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill carrying about \$50,000,000. Began consideration of postoffice appropriation bill carrying \$13,000,000 reported.

BRITISH LOSE TWO DESTROYERS WHEN FOES RAID ISLAND

German Cruisers Send Two Torpedo Boats to Bottom After Being Attacked.

THIRD IS HEAVILY DAMAGED

Berlin Official Dispatch Announces Additional Victory Over English.

PURSUERS COME TO GRIEF

London Admiralty Makes No Mention of Any Craft Lost.

TRAWLER CREW SEES BATTLE

Cassandra Arrives at Hull, Bringing Details of Engagement Following Shelling of Coast Towns.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—The admiralty has issued a statement denying that any British warships were lost during the recent raid by a German squadron on the east coast of England.

Berlin, Dec. 18.—(By Wireless to Sayville, L. I.)—The German raid on the English east coast two British destroyers were destroyed and one was heavily damaged.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—An Amsterdam dispatch to Reuters' Telegram company contains a German official statement which says some of the British destroyers which attacked the German raiding squadron off the British coast were sunk. The communication follows: "The retreating cruisers were attacked by four British destroyers, one of which was sunk. Another disappeared, badly damaged."

"At another point another English destroyer was sunk." An official statement, issued by the British admiralty last night, makes no mention of any British warship having been lost. The official statement said that the light cruiser, Patrol, and the destroyer, Doon, which were among the British ships that attacked the German raiding squadron, were struck by shells and lost five men in killed and fifteen wounded.

Trawler Sees Battle. LONDON, Dec. 18.—The Daily Telegraph's Hull correspondent, telegraphing Thursday night, says: "The steam trawler Cassandra arrived here tonight and brought the story of the naval engagement which followed the German raid on Hartlepool, Scarborough and Whitby Wednesday morning. "The Cassandra was caught between a German vessel and the pursuing British squadron. One of the men of the Cassandra's crew is an interview, said: "We were about thirty miles off Scarborough at 10 or 11 o'clock in the morning, when we were surprised to see eight or nine warships approaching us at full speed. Our surprise turned to amazement when we found they were Germans and heard shots fired. "One first-class battleship passed so close to us that we could see the men working the guns, which were being fired rapidly. One destroyer was sent within halting distance of us and we thought our last moment had come, but at another signal it steamed away. "When the German vessels had got well away, a British squadron came into sight, firing as they came. It seemed to me they were ten miles apart. We seemed to be in danger from the British squadron and hurriedly hauled in our gear. We heard firing for a full half hour. "Later on we saw some of the British vessels return and came to the conclusion that they had been over, but with what results we did not know."

War Pictures From the Front Full Page in The Sunday Bee

PIERRE, S. D., Dec. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—State Bank Examiner Winstfield reports this morning that the Farmers' and Citizens' State bank of Bryant, the Bank of Willow Lakes and the First State Bank of Faith turned over their affairs to the state department at the close of business last night. The Bryant and Willow Lakes banks being connected in a business way with the Bryerton bank which failed at Hancock, which, with paper that cannot be realized on at present, was the cause of their assignment. The Bryant bank was capitalized at \$25,000 and carried deposits of \$120,000. The Willow Lakes bank was capitalized at \$10,000 and carried \$120,000. The Faith bank was capitalized at \$10,000 and carried but \$10,000 deposits.

SCENE OF LATEST ACTION IN WESTERN POLAND showing how opposing forces were lined up at the start.



BRYAN'S ACTION NOW TALK OF WASHINGTON

Hurry to Notify Britain Hitchcock Bill Not Administration Measure Unprecedented.

WILL BROADEN STATE BREACH

No Premier Ever Before Had Such Solicitation for Another Nation Over Measure Just Introduced in Congress.

Not in History of the Government Has Such a Thing Occurred Heretofore.

According to a morning newspaper, Secretary Bryan, not content with having sought an interview with Sir Cecil Spring Rice for the purpose of disavowing the Hitchcock bill as having the endorsement of the executive branch of the government, cabled American Ambassador Page in London to the same effect.

Prisoner Defies Bolts, Steel Bars and Stone Walls

SAN QUENTIN, Cal., Dec. 18.—John Bogden, a convict, is at liberty today, having established for the fifth time his satisfaction that stone walls make no prison to speak of. For iron bars he has equal contempt. Bogden did not check in at roll call last night, and for a while the penitentiary authorities felt sure he was within the walls. Later they came to believe the walls could not hold him. Before coming here, Bogden bent apart a set of cell bars in San Francisco and walked out between them. At Woodland, Cal., where he was picked up, he went through six inches of wood and steel between him and free air. In 1903 he participated in a bloodthirsty jail break at the Folsom (Cal.) penitentiary, and once he turned up missing from the jail at Chehalis, Wash.

Three South Dakota Banks Close Doors

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TEUTON ALLIES RIDING CREST OF WAVE OF BATTLE

Berlin and Vienna Say Russians Are Fleeing at All Points from Baltic to Carpathians.

THIRTY MILES FROM WARSAW

Austrians Say Army Has Driven Invaders from Mountains Nearly Back to Lemberg.

RUSSIAN REPORTS DIFFERENT

Muscovites Say They Are Advancing on Extreme Right and Other Fights Unimportant.

ALLIES ADVANCING IN WEST

Germany in France and Flanders Being Forced Backward.

ANNEX EGYPT AND SUDAN

Taking Over of Last of Turkish Sultan's Possessions in Africa is Featured by the Newspapers of London.

The Day's War News

LONDON, Dec. 18.—Again the Germans and the Austrians seem to be on the crest of a wave of battle as the interminable struggle in the east continues; again Berlin is gay with flags and again Petrograd declines to concede victory to the invaders. Berlin and Vienna contend, however, that the Russians are falling back along the entire front from the Baltic to the Carpathians, with the invading center less than thirty miles from Warsaw. To the south, where a few weeks ago Russians were pouring over the Carpathians into Hungary, combined Austro-German columns have now forced them back through the passes, and it is now asserted have advanced two-thirds of the way across Galicia and are nearing the fortress of Lemberg, occupied by the Russians early in the campaign. The Russian official press statements admit none of this. They dismiss the happenings in Galicia as engagements of no importance and class the operations to the west of Warsaw in the same category. It is claimed, however, that the extreme Russian right near Mlava has thrust the Germans back and that Russian cavalry has sprung across the southern border of East Prussia. In the western arena there have been no events of great importance; at least none has been reported. Foot by foot the allies appear to be forcing the Germans out of their trenches in Flanders and maintaining the great advantage of the front from the sea to Switzerland. The British press today naturally makes a feature of the annexation of Egypt and the Sudan, which takes from the sultan of Turkey 1,400,000 subjects and 1,300,000 square miles of land. This action, moreover, adds to the German disaster in Africa. Italy having taken Tripoli from him a few years ago. All England is still buzzing with talk about the German raid on the east coast. Interest having been stimulated afresh by the latest accounts coming out of Hartlepool. Many of the naturalized Germans, arrested on the east coast after the German raid, have been liberated.

Freight Steamship Isthmian Ashore on San Benito Island

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Dec. 18.—Striking rocks off San Benito island, 300 miles south of San Diego, the American-Hawaiian freighter Isthmian, southbound from San Pedro for Panama canal, sent a wireless call for assistance early today and at last reports was proceeding northward at the rate of five miles an hour. According to radio reports here the Isthmian has twenty-five feet of water in No. 1 hold and the ship is down by the head and steering badly. On receipt of the wireless call from the Isthmian, the cruiser West Virginia, the torpedo boat destroyer Perry and the navy tug Itasca were sent south at full speed. It is expected the Perry will meet the Isthmian about 4 o'clock this afternoon. The Isthmian carries a crew of forty men, but no passengers. It is bound for New York.

Senate Rejects Man Named for Kansas City Postmaster

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The nomination of W. N. Collins as postmaster at Kansas City, Mo., a recess appointment of President Wilson, was rejected today by the senate. Senator Reed opposed confirmation and the senate rejected the nomination without debate.

African Rebellion at End Says Both

CAPTOWN, Dec. 18.—(Via London).—General Louis Botha, premier of the Union of South Africa, considers that the rebellion, apart from the rounding up of a few stray hands, is at an end. Accordingly he has gone on a short vacation on his farm before undertaking a campaign against German Southwest Africa. With the capture of General De Wet and the death of General Beyers in an engagement, the South African government recently announced that the rebellion started by the leaders was practically at an end. Most of the followers of De Wet and Beyers, it is stated, have been either captured or dispersed.

The Weather

Table with weather data for Omaha, Council Bluffs and vicinity, including temperature, precipitation, and comparative local records.