

## PROPOSED CANAL TO COMPETE WITH THE PANAMA

### MRS. PANKHURST ALLOWED TO LAND AFTER ALL—DEPOSED WM. SULZER AGAIN CANDIDATE

#### BRITISH INTERESTS ARRANGE CANAL TO PARALLEL PANAMA

ARGUMENTS FOR AND AGAINST THE PROJECT—WOULD SAVING OF TOLLS TO SHIPPING COUNTERBALANCE THE ENORMOUS COST OF DIGGING?

(Special to the Daily News)  
London, Oct. 24.—The announcement in the British newspapers that British interests are arranging for the construction of a new ship canal to parallel that of Panama and to run through Colombian territory has aroused considerable comment here. Those in opposition believe the enormous cost of digging and construction works would not be offset by the saving in tolls to shipping in less than half a century and state that the announcement has much the appearance of a bluff to force the United States to adopt rates that will not discriminate against any nation. Those in favor of the project state that the site of the proposed undertaking is the isthmus of Darien, a few miles south of Panama, which has been crossed by canoe, with a very short portage over the divide, from ocean to ocean, and is today a native route of travel. This was proposed for a ship canal route long before Lucien Bonaparte Wyss started to promote the present canal across the isthmus of Panama. It is pointed out that though this is slightly longer it presents many counterbalancing advantages, and could be constructed at much less expense and in a much shorter period than has been spent on the Panama Canal.

#### TRAVELLED OVER 7,000 MILES IN ALASKA AND YUKON

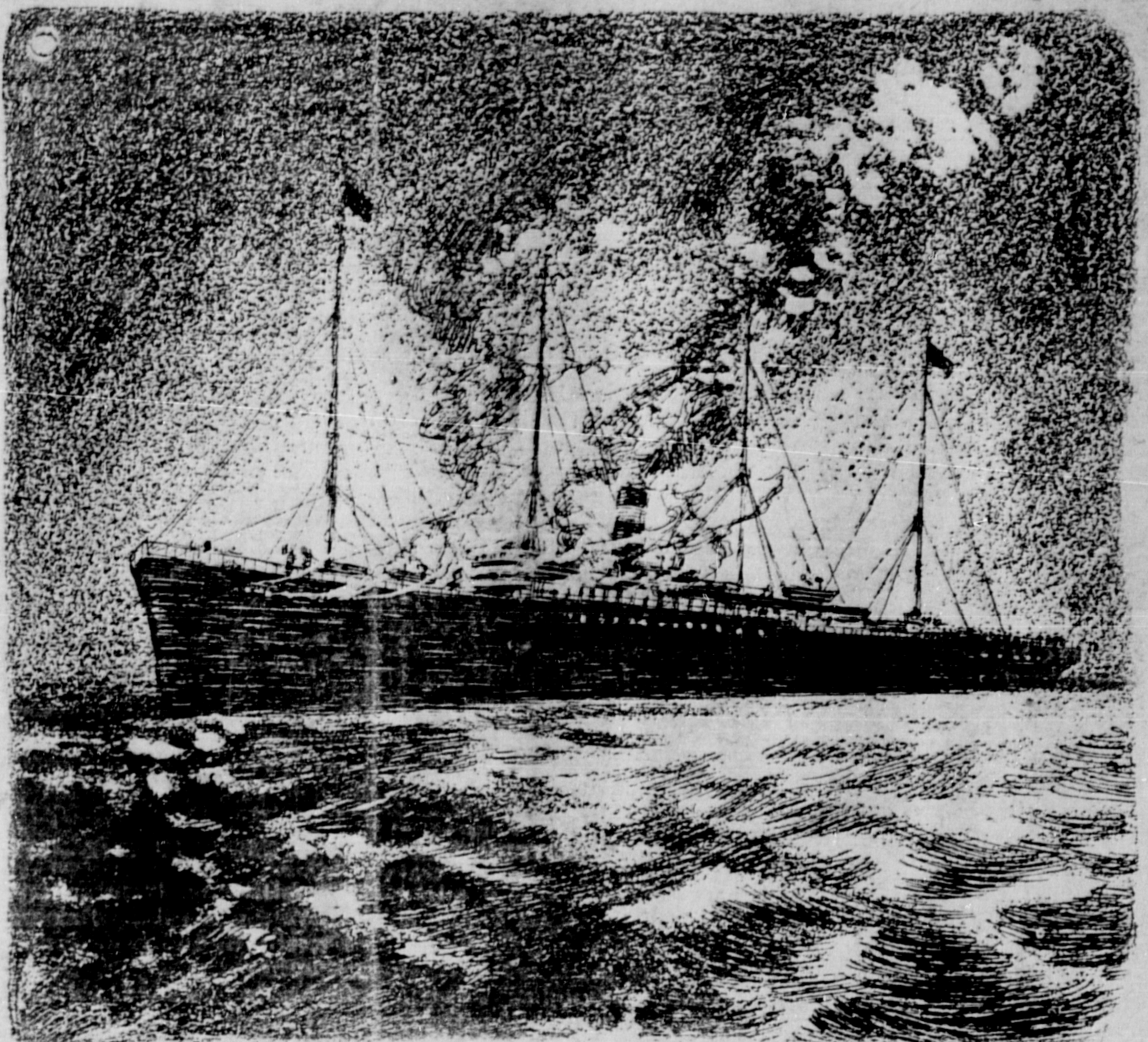
G. A. McNICHOLL VISITED ALL PARTS OF THE NORTH ON AN OFFICIAL TRIP FOR G. T. P.—WAS FAVORABLY IMPRESSED.

After a trip of over 7,000 miles in the Yukon and Alaska, made for the purpose of gathering data for the Grand Trunk Pacific as to trade conditions in the north, G. A. McNicholl returned to the city on Saturday via the C. P. R. steamer Princess Sophia. Accompanying him on the trip was J. J. Carroll, G. T. P. agent at Seattle. Leaving Prince Rupert on June 16th, they visited Atlin, Skagway, Whitehorse and Dawson. From the latter place they proceeded down the Yukon River, visiting Fairbanks, St. Michael and Nome. On the return trip they went overland from Fairbanks to Chitina, thence by the Copper River Railway to Cordova, Valdez, Seward and intermediate coast towns were also visited. Mr. McNicholl, naturally, was not in a position to express any opinion as to what action the Grand Trunk Pacific will take in the way of extending its service to the northern districts. He will furnish the officials at Montreal with a complete report on his trip and full information as to conditions as he saw them. The officials will themselves decide as to the best policy to pursue.

One thing that impressed Mr. McNicholl very forcefully was the possibilities of the north in the production of root crops. At Fairbanks local vegetables were served at the hotel as good as any that can be grown anywhere. He also saw melons that were grown there. These, he said, sold at \$5 each.

The recent gold strike at Chisana caused a great deal of excitement in the north. If the prospectors who are spending the winter at the new diggings bring out favorable reports in the spring there is bound to be a big rush to the district next year. Business on the whole in the northern districts is good, there being a very perceptible increase in quartz mining.

Throughout the north there was evidenced a great deal of interest in Prince Rupert and the completion of the new transcontinental, which all realize will bring them nearer the eastern markets. Mr. McNicholl could not help feeling that the northern districts will be a great help to this city as a great portion of the supplies sent into the vast district is bound to pass through this port.



PICTURE OF THE BURNING STEAMSHIP VOLTURNO.

The above was made from an actual drawing of the vessel and from the graphic word descriptions of some of the survivors. The sinking of the Titanic at sea pales in the element of horror before that of a passenger laden vessel on fire in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean. Imagine those hundreds of passengers and the crew waiting, in a blinding storm, with the roaring, consuming flames within a few feet of them, for the coming dawn and in momentary anticipation of the most fearful of all deaths.

#### TROOP TRAIN WRECKED

Seventeen Were Killed and Others Likely to Die.

(Special to The Daily News.)  
Mobile, Oct. 24.—Unless others of the ninety soldiers now in local hospitals die of injuries suffered in the wreck of the Mobile & Ohio troop train on Sunday, the list of dead will stand at seventeen. It is believed, however, that there are more bodies in the wreckage.

#### IMMENSE DESTRUCTION

One Section of Great Krupp Gun Plant Destroyed.

(Special to The Daily News.)  
Essen, Oct. 24.—The steam hammer section of the great Krupp armor plate and cannon making plant has been entirely destroyed by fire. All the expensive machinery has been utterly ruined. The damage is unestimated.

#### THANKSGIVING BOUTS

Freddie Welsh and Frank Barrieau Both Score Victories.

(Special to The Daily News.)  
Winnipeg, Oct. 24.—Freddie Welsh, the English lightweight champion, was knocked out by Young Saylor in the ninth round. The referee states that the knockout was due to a foul blow. The blow, which was a stiff one, landed on the groin and sent the Englishman down for the count. Welsh was given the decision by the referee on a foul.

Vancouver, Oct. 24.—Frank Barrieau got the decision at the end of the twelve rounds over Charley Burns, the Chicago lightweight.

#### Sentenced to Be Hanged.

Mulvahl, who shot Kelly at Burns Lake a month ago, was found guilty of murder in the first degree at the assizes and sentenced to be hanged on December 29th.

Sales ladies wanted immediately at Demers. 246

#### ANNUAL BANQUET OF EARL GREY RIFLES

Splendid Repast Served at Central Hotel Last Night—Toasts Ably Responded To.

The second annual banquet given by the Earl Grey's Own Rifles was held at the Central Hotel last night. An excellent repast was prepared by Mine Host Peter Black and a thoroughly enjoyable evening was spent.

Sergeant Brown proposed the toast to "Canada, Our Country," which was ably responded to by Lieutenant McMordie.

"The Imperial Forces" was proposed by Corporal Averill and responded to by Rev. G. A. Rix in the most brilliant speech of the evening.

"The Boys That Wear the Uniform" was proposed by Color Sergeant Leek and responded to by Sergeant Brown, Sergeant Jack, Corporal Willisroft, Corporal Eviit and Corporal Youngman.

Private Russell proposed the toast to "Our Guests." This was responded to by Captain Partington, Captain Cameron, Major W. S. Fisher and J. R. Beatty.

The toast to the Earl Grey's Rifles was proposed by Private Vidler and responded to by Privates Matheson, Little, Roche and Clark.

Toasts were also proposed to the buglers and drummers and to the ladies.

There were about forty in attendance at the function, which was pronounced as a great success.

#### ANOTHER FEATHER FLOWN

To Show How Current of Public Opinion Drifts.

(Special to The Daily News.)  
Ottawa, Oct. 24.—An official emphatic denial is given to the comprehensive statement that Hon. G. H. Perley has gone to England as the representative of the Canadian government to confer with the British government respecting naval defence and the purchase of three dreadnoughts for Canada. The denial states that the visit to England of Mr. Perley is for purely personal reasons.

#### SULZER A CANDIDATE

Defeated by Tammany, Is Taken Up by Progressives.

(Special to The Daily News.)  
New York, Oct. 24.—William Sulzer, who was impeached as governor of the state and lost his position, was nominated for the legislative assembly last night by the Progressives of the Sixth Assembly district.

#### WILD STEERS CAUSE GREAT EXCITEMENT

One Jumped Into the Harbor and Another Caused a Frightened Man to Do the Same Stunt.

A wild steer, one of a shipment for P. Burns & Co., consigned to Rose Lake, caused intense excitement along the waterfront on Saturday. When unloaded from the steamer Prince Rupert it immediately started to take possession of the town, evidently with a knowledge that real estate in Prince Rupert is well worth possessing. There were few indeed who denied its right. People sought safety in every available place. Some climbed up on top of box cars while others rushed to the nearest building, where they could hide. One legal light of the city, who remarked that people only imagined the steer was wild and proceeded on his way himself had to beat a retreat. He jumped from the plank roadway into the muskeg from such a height that it required assistance to get him out. It is reported that one man on the government wharf jumped into the harbor when he saw the infuriated animal approach. Finally he was led back to the herd by taking a bell cow down to the vicinity where he was cutting his capers.

In the morning another steer of the same herd jumped from the G. T. P. wharf into the harbor. A rope was thrown around him and he had to be towed nearly the whole length of the wharf before he could be taken out. He was about all in when finally rescued.

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#### MRS. EMMELINE PANKHURST IS ALLOWED TO LAND IN NEW YORK

SPECIAL BOARD OF ENQUIRY ORDERED HER DEPORTATION BUT PRESIDENT WILSON OVERRULED THIS DECISION OF THE BOARD.

(Special to the Daily News)  
New York, Oct. 24.—Mrs. Pankhurst is to be allowed to land after all. When the liner La Provence docked on Saturday she was detained on board for three hours while a special board of enquiry considered her case. The board decided not to admit her to the country under bond, which had been the course adopted by the immigration commissioners, but to deport her to France forthwith. A tug was commissioned and took her off the liner and landed her at the immigrant station on Ellis Island.

Mrs. Pankhurst's deportation was ordered under section 2 of the immigration law. This section provides for the exclusion of persons convicted abroad for a crime or crimes involving moral turpitude. The board held that

Mrs. Pankhurst's conviction in England of conspiracy to commit arson brought her within this class.

Attorney Reeves, on behalf of Mrs. Pankhurst, at once filed an appeal at Washington over the long distance telephone. President Wilson and the secretary of labor took up the appeal yesterday and decided that she be allowed to land Monday evening on her own recognizance without any bond, to carry out her contemplated schedule of lectures.

To inspectors who questioned her aboard the La Provence Mrs. Pankhurst asserted that her conviction was for a political offence and that it was generally understood her sentence had expired when she left England for France, although she had not been so notified formally.

#### THANKSGIVING BANQUET OF METHODISTS A BIG SUCCESS

SIXTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BEGINNING OF THE GOOD WORK IN PRINCE RUPERT—SPLENDID REPAST AND MANY COMPLIMENTARY SPEECHES.

When one gazed at the tastefully decorated tables and the bountiful supply of turkey, delicious salads, pies and cakes provided by the ladies of the Methodist Church last night for the sixth annual Thanksgiving banquet under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid, all thoughts of financial stringency took their flight. The entire basement of the church was filled with tables and not a seat was vacant. There must have been nearly two hundred persons sitting down to the bountiful repast. Throughout the evening the ladies were highly complimented for the good things provided and the splendid manner in which the banquet was served. There was a complete absence of confusion that is usually noticeable at such affairs and the wants of all who partook of the feast were well looked after by the ladies and gentlemen who had charge of that part of the work. The whole thing was most carefully planned and there was no hitch to interfere with the proceedings.

Following the banquet proper some splendid speeches were made in connection with the various toasts that were proposed. The speeches were interspersed with a program of songs and readings, making the evening both profitable and enjoyable.

A. H. Allison proposed the toast to "Our Country" in a very neat speech, to which he had given considerable thought. We must not consider, he said, our country as merely the Pacific coast, nor even Canada, but wherever the British flag flies, and it is not the country itself that we must think of but the people that make it. He touched briefly on the wonderful progress of the Anglo-Saxon race during the last two or three thousand years. We should be thankful he said, for the privilege of taking a part, no matter how small, in the development of our country. Canada will have in a few years a population of 25 or 30 millions and it is up to us to see that the resources of the country are kept for the people who are to live in it.

In responding to this toast, William Maason, M. P. P., said that we are apt to get a misconception of the true meaning of "our country." We are prouder of it if we think of it as the whole British Empire. He referred to a few of the privileges that have

been handed down to us by our forefathers, some of them at great cost, such as freedom of worship. We must fully realize our responsibilities as nation builders and think not only of material prosperity but look well after the character of the people who make up the country. The churches have a great work to perform in building up a land that we may be proud to call "our country."

"Our Church" was proposed by M. M. Stephens in a brief speech, in which he especially complimented the ladies who shoulder most of the responsibilities in connection with the church work.

Rev. G. H. Raley, chairman of the coast district, responded to the toast in an interesting address. He agreed with the proposer of the toast that the church owes a great deal to the ladies. In the battle of life you will generally find the Christian soldier represented by his wife. The Methodist church, he said, was essentially a missionary church. It had first come to the coast in the gold rush of 1848 and later when there was a strike on one of the tributaries of the Fraser river it had come to British Columbia. The twentieth century he believed is the golden age for good work in the great west and the Methodist church intends to do its part.

Dr. W. T. Kergin, in responding to the same toast, spoke briefly of the progress and growth of the Methodist church from its inception under the Wesleys down to the present time. He was glad to see so many from other churches present at the banquet and highly complimented the ladies on their work. The church is rich, he said, in the ladies it possesses. The speaker also took advantage

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#### LEON WASHINGTON IS COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

Colored Man Charged with House Breaking Is Sent Up for Trial.

There was an exceptionally small docket at the police court this morning, considering that yesterday was a holiday. Fred Larsen and John Lang were each fined \$5 on the charge of being drunk and disorderly.

Leon Washington, the colored man charged with breaking into Letourneau's tinshop last week, was committed for trial. When asked by the magistrate if he had anything to say, Washington re-layed to defend him.

#### NAVAL HOLIDAY IN ARMAMENT PROPOSED

Winston Churchill's Latest Proposal on Warship Building Finds Little German Sympathy.

(Special to The Daily News.)  
London, Oct. 24.—The Berlin correspondent of the Daily Mail says there are excellent reasons for believing that Winston Churchill's latest proposal of a naval shipbuilding holiday between Germany and Great Britain will, like his proposal of last March, fall upon deaf ears in Germany, the proposition being pronounced as undebatable.

Berlin, Oct. 24.—The proposal of Winston Churchill that England and Germany declare a naval armament holiday is received without sympathy by the German government, which regards it as not calling for a reply.

**Basket Ball Meeting.**  
A meeting of the basket ball committee will be held tonight in the St. Andrew's Society rooms at 8 o'clock for the purpose of making the draw for the first game.

#### To-morrow Night

**ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY DANCE**  
In Hall, 2nd Ave.  
Commencing 10:30  
**GRAY'S ORCHESTRA**  
Gents \$1.00 Ladies Free