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TELEGRAMS.

ST. CROIX STATION.

New York, June 24th.—After two days reflection and false starts, the United States smashed the British Government seals placed on the liquor stocks which the Baltic and Berengaria brought into this port on Friday to test the Treasury Department ruling that no ocean liner may cross the United States three mile limit with bar supplies for the east bound voyage. By night fall last night there had been removed from the Baltic all liquid supplies which Dr. Sprague, chief of the United States Public Health Service, considered in excess of medical needs and it was announced that surplus wet goods would be taken from the Berengaria on Monday morning. The liquor seized was trucked to government warehouses. The Captains of both vessels entered formal protests at the breaking of their government seals. Four transatlantic passenger liners two British, one French and one Italian, arrived at quarantine today with large quantities of liquor, under seal. The manifest of the White Star Liner Cedric from Liverpool, showed the following wet stock 7,921 bottles of ale and stout, 1,156 gallons of wine, 60 gallons of spirits, 68 gallons of liqueurs and cordials. The liner Caronia, the French liner Provence and the Italian liner Conte Verdi all carried similar supplies of liquor. All the Cedric's liquor was listed as surplus medical stores, and Conte Verdi had all her liquor under the care of the ship's surgeon. Not one of liners had their stores disturbed, but docked without interference. It was said that no attempt would

be made to seize the liquor until the ships had filed their manifests at the customs house tomorrow. United States authorities are expected to follow the same procedure as practised on the Baltic and Berengaria yesterday, seizing all liquors above the amount set by Dr. Sprague as necessary for medical purposes.

Halle, Germany, June 25th.—A new oil trust, capitalized at one hundred million gold marks, has been formed by the Sinnes interests and the Riebeck mining works, at a joint meeting held here. The firm is to be known as the "Hugo Sinnes Riebeck Mining and Oil Works Incorporated."

London, June 26th.—Rain prevented the West Indians from continuing their first innings in the match against Northamptonshire yesterday. They declared their first innings closed at 324 runs for five wickets. If the weather permits Northamptonshire will start their first innings today, providing there is no rain.

Denver, Colo., June 24th.—Sumner Curtis of Washington, representative of the Republican National Committee accompanying President Harding's party on its Western trip, and Thomas French of Denver, were killed and two others seriously injured when the automobile in which they were making a mountain tour plunged off the road into Bear Creek Canyon, 25 miles from Denver, late today. French was driving the car. The injured are Donald Craig, manager of Washington Bureau of the New York Herald and Thomas Dawson, Colorado state historian and veteran Washington newspaperman. French died on the way to hospital. Curtis was instantly killed.

Publication.

NOTICE is hereby given that the sum of Francs 330.70, income on their Royal Highness Crown Prince FREDERIK and Crown Princess LOUISE'S Silver Wedding Memorial Fund, will be available for distribution on the 28th of July 1923.

Applications, for participation in this distribution, duly certified, should be forwarded to the undersigned on or before the 20th day of July 1923.

Despatching Secretary's Office, Christiansted, St. Croix, V. I. 15 June, 1923.

R. E. BARRETT.

Despatching Secretary.

Publication.

It is hereby made known that the Horse, Carriage and Boat Tax for the second half year 1923, will be received by the Director of Police in Christiansted and Frederiksted from the 20th July to the 10th August 1923, both days included, after which the list of arrears will be transmitted to the same authority for further measures.

Each debtor of tax will be subject to a fine of Fres. 1.00 if the tax be under Fres. 25.00 and Fres. 2.00 if the tax be Fres. 25.00 or above, besides the ordinary levy expenses.

The tax-lists will be distributed by the Police and are to be filled out in conformity with the ordinance of February 22, 1853 and returned to the respective Police Offices within 48 hours in the towns and 4 days in the country.

Government of the Virgin Islands of the U. S., St. Croix, June 26, 1923.

R. E. BARRETT

Despatching Secretary.

Publication.

It is hereby brought to public notice that the sum of Francs 399.50, interest on Former Controller of Customs and Estate Owner in St. Croix PETER CORNELIUS BIRCH and wife ROSALINE ANTOINETTE, born CANTOR'S, Legacy for the poor and needy of St. Croix, will be on hand for distribution on August 1st, 1923.

Applications for participation in this distribution, duly certified, should be forwarded to the undersigned on or before the 20th day of July 1923.

Despatching Secretary's Office, Christiansted, St. Croix, V. I. 15 June, 1923.

R. E. BARRETT.

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THE Principal and Teachers of the Christiansted Junior High School request the honor of your presence at the Annual Exhibit at the School Rooms Wednesday June 27th and Thursday June 28th, 1923.