

GERMAN U-BOAT SINKS SIX SHIPS

Germany Violates Pledge—Passenger Steamer and Five Freighters Torpedoed off Massachusetts Coast

Lying off Nantucket Sunday afternoon, where every liner leaving or entering this port must get her bearings, the German submarine U-53, aided probably by one or two other war submarines, torpedoed and sank six ships. Four of them were British, one a passenger carrier. The other two were neutrals—one Dutch and the other Norwegian; an American steamship was held up, but was allowed to proceed. Admiral Knight, commander of the naval station at Newport, says that the Nantucket Lightship reported a second German submarine nearby.

One Day's Record

The record of submarine warfare, as brought to land by wireless despatches, follows:

The Strathdene, British freighter, torpedoed and sunk off Nantucket, crew taken aboard Nantucket Shoals Lightship and later removed to Newport by torpedo-boat destroyers. The vessel left New York Saturday for Bordeaux, and was attacked at 6 a.m.

The Westpoint, British freighter, torpedoed and sunk off Nantucket. Crew abandoned the ship in small boats after a warning shot from the submarine's gun. Officers and men were taken aboard a destroyer. The vessel was attacked at 10:45 a.m. She was bound from London to Newport News.

Stephano, British passenger liner, plying regularly between New York, Halifax and St. John's, Nfld., torpedoed southeast of Nantucket while bound for New York. Passengers and crew, numbering about 140, were picked up by destroyer Drayton and brought to Newport. The attack was at 4:30 p.m.

Kingston, British freighter, torpedoed and sunk southeast of Nantucket. Crew was picked up. This vessel is not accounted for in maritime registers, and may be the Kingstonian. The attack was at 6 p.m.

Bloomersdijk, Dutch freighter, torpedoed and sunk south of Nantucket. Crew taken aboard a destroyer. The steamer was bound from New York for Rotterdam. The Bloomersdijk carried a crew of 500 men and a cargo of grain valued at \$500,000, consigned to the Government of the Netherlands. International complications may arise.

Christopher Knudsen, Norwegian freighter, torpedoed and sunk near where the Bloomersdijk went down. Crew picked up by destroyers. The vessel sailed from New York Saturday for London.

Thirty-five women and ten children are among those on the Ericson. There is no trace of the crew of the Kingston. Reports that three smaller vessels have been sunk, has not yet been confirmed.

Captain Wilson's Statement

"My ship was attacked without warning," declared Captain Wilson, after he had given a detailed statement of the incident to the British consul-general. "Thirteen shots were fired before we left the vessel. None of the shot, however, struck the ship until we had taken to the boats." Under instructions from the consul-general, Captain Wilson declined to give out further information. Consul officials said Captain Wilson's report first would have to be forwarded to the British ambassador at Washington before they could discuss the sinking of the Strathdene.

Members of the Strathdene's crew said that after they had pulled away from their ship, they saw the submarine approach the oil steamer Christian Knudsen, whose crew seemed to be getting ready to lower their boats. The submarine then returned and torpedoed the Strathdene and again steamed toward the oil ship and apparently replenished her oil tanks. Several torpedo boats were in the vicinity, the sailors said, when the two ships were sunk. Officers of the rescuing ship asserted the Strathdene's officers told them that the submarine was made fast to the tanker for three-quarters of an hour, taking oil, before the vessel was sunk.

Accounts of the torpedoing of the Strathdene, told on board the P.L.M. No. 4, by the rescued crew, corroborated Capt. Wilson's statement that his ship was fired on before the officers and crew got into the boats. Capt. Yates of the P.L.M. No. 4 said Capt. Wilson told him that when the submarine came alongside, eight or ten officers, including Capt. Rose of the U-53, boarded the Strathdene. "Capt. Rose ordered him to abandon ship immediately," Capt. Yates said. "Capt. Wilson told him, 'The two boats were lowered and the submarine commander gave instructions for reaching Nantucket Lightship, ordering us to row as fast as possible. As we pulled away the submarine fired four more shots at her, which struck above the waterline.' The oil steamer just then dove in sight and the submarine headed for her, afterward returning to torpedo the Strathdene."

Twenty-two women and 14 children survivors from the Red Cross Line steamship Stephano, sunk by a German submarine, arrived in New York late Monday and were taken in charge by representatives of the American Red Cross.

The passengers agreed that 36 shots were fired at the Stephano before she was torpedoed and sunk. Mrs. Chas. W. Bostwick of Hudson, N.Y., who was returning from Nova Scotia, said eight minutes elapsed between the submarine's first and second shots, then the captain ordered everybody to take to the lifeboats. She said the officers did everything to help the passengers and assist them to put on life preservers.

Fly the Atlantic

Nationalities' Paris correspondent telegraphs that the well known Swedish aviator, Captain Hugo Sundstedt, who for some months resided in Paris, will try to fly across the Atlantic.

Fire at Trout Mills

A destructive fire occurred at Trout Mills, a station four miles from North Bay on the T. & N. O. Railway, when seven large boathouses and contents were utterly destroyed.

CANADA BOND ISSUE FOR SMALL INVESTORS

Denominations From \$10 Up With Interest of Approximately Five Per Cent.

In a statement issued by the Finance Department announcing the satisfactory conditions of Dominion trade and revenue, and urging on the public individual thrift as well as individual effort to increase the production of wealth, the announcement is made that opportunity will shortly be given for the investment of small savings in Dominion debenture stock. It is understood that the Government intends to offer bonds of denominations from ten dollars up, which can be purchased through the banks, and on which an interest of approximately five per cent. will be earned, redeemable in five years. The subscriptions to the last two war loans for two hundred million dollars have in the main come from the larger investors, in amounts of a thousand dollars or upwards. The issue of the bonds of small denominations is designed to attract investment for several hundred thousand men and women who have comparatively small amounts to invest in something that will be both safe and patriotic. This scheme has already been adopted with surprising success in England, where purchasers of Government bonds from one pound sterling up get 4 1/2 per cent. interest on their money.

SERBS CROSS CERNA

Bulgars' Second Line Smashed—200 Prisoners Taken

On the front between the Vardar and the Cerna Rivers, the Serbian forces have advanced in the mountainous region of Dobroupolje, and they have taken 100 prisoners. After desperate fighting the Serbians have again defeated the Bulgarians on the left bank of the Cerna River, and they have captured Skochivir Village. The enemy made desperate counter-attacks in an attempt to recover his lost ground, but these were all repulsed and he was driven northward a distance of five-eighths of a mile. In this fighting the Serbians took 200 prisoners.

The steamship Gallia, an auxiliary cruiser carrying 2,000 Serbian and French soldiers, was torpedoed and sunk on October 4 by a submarine. Thirteen hundred and sixty-two men, picked up by a French cruiser and landed in boats on the southern coast of Sardinia, have been accounted for thus far. The Gallia was a 16,100-ton steamship, 574 feet long and sixty-four feet of beam. She was built in the Seine in 1913 and owned by the Compagnie de Navigation Sud Atlantique of Bordeaux. She was one of the larger vessels sunk by submarines during the war, having been only 700 tons smaller than the White Star liner Arabis.

The Gallia's recent movements have not been disclosed, as she was in Government service. Early this year Serbian troops were taken to Bizerta, Tunis, which is south of Sardinia. The Gallia may have been on her way from Tunis with troops for the Macedonian front.

RECRUITING IN IRELAND

John Redmond Comes Out Strong Against Conscription

British newspapers in commenting upon John Redmond's speech attacking the plan to extend conscription to Ireland, sounded warnings. "If anybody seriously believed that the Irish Nationalist party could be driven or cajoled into acceptance of conscription in Ireland that belief must now be dead," says the Daily News. The Telegraph says that the speech shows no trace of loftiness and that the speaker never got away from the narrow bounds of Irish politics. The Chronicle called the speech a powerful effort, adding: "It is the voice of a man who knows his own mind and it rises clear above the doubts and uncertainties of the chaotic Irish tangle, amid a babel of conflicting counsels. It reiterates his old message 'stand firmly by the constitutional movement.'"

The Times refuses to enter into a controversy but says: "We have the right to, on the strength of his (Redmond's) own declarations, to ask him to prove his words true." The Daily Mail says that prominent members of the Cabinet have come to favor a very strong campaign for voluntary recruiting in Ireland, instead of establishing conscription there. If this is done, it is likely that a definite figure will be announced as the minimum number of men to be secured in Ireland.

A Million Dollar School

The first sod of the million dollar Lennoxville School, donated by Lieut. J. K. L. Ross, R.N.C.V.R., was turned Monday by Mrs. J. K. L. Ross in the presence of three hundred people, many of them from Montreal. Mr. Ross also was present and addressed the gathering. Lennoxville School will be Bishop's College renamed.

Farmer Murdered

Joseph Montgomery of Madoc was arrested Monday for the alleged murder of his brother, William, who was found dead in an outhouse. Death was due to a blow on the head, the motive being robbery. The accused declined lawyer's aid.

Anzac Veteran Dead

J. Howard Jackson, former prominent civil engineer of New Zealand, lately member of Jackson & Co., civil engineers, died at Brantford Saturday. He was a veteran of the New Zealand Maori wars. His son Maurice was killed with the Anzacs at Gallipoli.

Conscription Protested

The Dublin corporation has adopted a resolution protesting against the extension of conscription to Ireland and repudiating the right of any authority other than the Irish Parliament to enforce compulsory service in Ireland.

Honor Roll Durham and District. List of names including Adair, John; Bailey, Michael; Banks, George; Gadd, Wm.; Glover, E.; Hazen, G. C.; Irwin, Duncan; Kelly, Fred; Lake, Wilfrid; Laidlaw, A. N.; Marshall, C. A.; McAlister, T. W.; McKeown, J. J.; McMillan, N. J.; McMahon, J.; McNally, Cecil; Petty, Wm.; Ramage, Chas. C.; Saunders, Mack; Torrey, Fred; Vollett, James; Warmington, Joseph; Wall, James; Watson, Ferguson; Wells, Alex.; White, Alex.; Wright, J.; Yllye, W. J.

HAIG EXTENDS LINE; TAKE LE Sars VILLAGE

Attempt by Germans to Regain Lost Ground Repulsed—French Drive Ahead Three-quarters of a Mile

By a series of local attacks the British have extended and strengthened their lines in the Thiepval region, according to a report from Gen. Haig. Further ground north of the Staff Ridge was captured. This operation was carried out after the Germans, during the night, had launched counter-attacks against the British front. In the first attack they succeeded in winning a footing in some first-line trenches in the Thiepval area. Their second attack carried to the British second line, but the men who entered this line later were taken prisoners.

The allies struck another mighty blow on the Somme front, on a line from the Albert-Bapaume road to Bouchavesnes. As a result the village of Le Sars is in British hands. The British smashed forward from 800 to 1,000 yards on a mile and a half front between Gueudecourt and Les Bœufs, while the French drove ahead more than three-quarters of a mile northeast of Morval. Their advance has brought them to the Sully-Sallisel highlands. They have seized control of the Bapaume-Peronne road for a distance of 200 yards around Sully, and have gained a foothold on the slopes of Hill No. 130. In addition the southern and south-western borders of the St. Pierre-Vaast Wood are in their hands.

The attack was the fifth of the series of great blows which have marked the progress of the Anglo-French offensive in Picardy. It had been preparing for five days, the allied artillery hammering the German trenches throughout that time despite unfavorable weather conditions.

Holland Warned

The Entente allies have informed the Dutch Government that any move toward peace on the part of Holland will be construed as a pro-German act. This is the first hint that Holland has been feeling out peace sentiment among the European belligerents. Exactly when this information was sent to The Hague is not known in Rome. The fact that such action was taken was disclosed in discussion of the Lloyd-George interview, warning neutrals not to intervene at this time. Well-informed circles in Rome say that the allies are reconciled to the probability that the war will last at least three years more.

On Roumanian Front

The Roumanian forces now hold the line from Fredil Pass, south of Brassao, to Orsova, and the intervening line of lofty mountains traversed by few defiles and offering a strong natural defensive front. North of Brassao the Roumanians are still in the Maros Valley, and in touch with the Russian left wing. "It is undeniable," adds the correspondent, "that the military situation presents many difficult features for the Roumanians as they are fighting on two fronts against seasoned troops, who are supplied with every modern apparatus of war."

The recent crossing of the Danube by Roumanian forces constituted a successful raid, according to a wireless despatch from Rome on Saturday. The Roumanians, says this

FIGHTING IN VOLHYNIA

Russians Advance at Some Points—Offensive Short-lived

Renewing the great battle of Volhynia, east of Vladimir-Volynski, the Russians have entered parts of the Teutonic lines, and they have consolidated the new positions. The brunt of the fighting is proceeding in the regions of Zaturze, Sheivov and Bubnovo. The engagement is being fought with great stubbornness on both sides. The Russians have managed to advance at some points.

The offensive was assumed by Austro-German forces in the Brzezany region in southeastern Galicia. It was met by the concentrated fire of the Russian artillery and machine guns and the attacks were promptly stopped. The Russians then charged and captured an Austrian advanced trench. Another offensive east of this point was repulsed. The principal fighting in this region went on south of Shikotin.

The Russians are throwing great masses of troops into these struggles in order to wear down the Teutonic lines. The carnage on both sides is heavy. The movement towards Vladimir-Volynski is a threat both to Kovel and Lemberg from the south and north. This point is close to the northern Galician frontier, and fair roads lead from it both to Lemberg and to Kovel.

MILLION A DAY

What the War is Costing the Dominion of Canada

Heavy increases in revenue receipts, evidences of the steadily mounting cost of the war and the total of the net debt, together with a slight decrease in domestic expenditures, are reflected in the Dominion financial statement which gives the figures for the month of September and for the first half of the current fiscal year. During the six months Canada spent sixty millions more for war than she did during the corresponding period last year, while her expenditure for the month of September is just double what it was in September of 1915. At present the war is costing the Dominion just about a million a day.

No Conscription For Canadians

There will be no conscription in Canada, but a system of registration to distinguish slackers from workers will be adopted by the Government according to Hon. Robert Rogers, Acting Prime Minister, in a reply to the executive council of Dominion Trades and Labor Congress which waited upon him Friday and presented the resolutions passed by the recent Congress in Toronto.

There are nearly two hundred thousand lunatics in the United Kingdom.

Alaska was bought by the United States from Russia for \$5,000,000.

Goldfish in a globe usually swim round to the right.

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