

U. S. ARMED SHIP SINKS SUBMARINE

FIRST SHOT OF WAR IS FATAL TO U-BOAT

Naval Gunners Score Bulls Eye in Encounter With Kaiser's Commerce Destroyer.

WAS GOING FULL SPEED

Periscope of Submarine Shattered at Distance of One Thousand Yards—Officers Watched Effect of Shot.

ANNIVERSARY OF LEXINGTON

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, April 25.—April 19, the day gunners aboard the liner Mongolia in firing the first shot of the war, sunk a German submarine, was the anniversary of the day on which the first shot of the revolution was fired at Lexington.

LONDON, April 25.—United States naval gunners aboard the steamship Mongolia made a clean hit at a thousand yards, shattering the periscope and sinking a German submarine that was attacking the ship. Captain Rice, of the trans-Atlantic liner Mongolia, which arrived at a British port today, told the Associated Press of the encounter, and said that his ship had fired the first gun of the war for America, sinking a hostile submarine. Indicating that the shot was fatal, quantities of oil were seen on the water after the submarine disappeared, and even a pertinent fact that the U-boat was destroyed was that the shell of the sea diver immediately disappeared beneath the surface following the shot. Captain Rice stated that a gun shell always ricochets, and can be seen again after striking the water, unless it finds its mark. When the shot was fired the Mongolia was going at full speed, and after the spray of the striking shell had subsided, officers on the bridge of the steamship clearly observed through glasses the spot where the submarine had appeared, and are confident the German sea diver was destroyed. The encounter occurred on April 19, when the submarine attacked the liner in British waters. The periscope was first sighted dead ahead on the last afternoon of the voyage, and the captain at once ordered the ship at full speed ahead, intending to ram the submarine. At this time the submarine disappeared and within a few minutes later appeared on the surface of the ship's broadside preparing to torpedo the liner. In the meantime the gunners aboard the Mongolia had cleared for action, and as soon as the submarine showed itself on the surface, fired, hitting it squarely and throwing up immense fountains of spray. It was a clean shot, demonstrating the efficiency of the United States naval gunners in charge of the gun, and the men were warmly congratulated by the officers of the ship.

CONTRACT CARNIVAL DECORATIONS AWARDED

The 1917 carnival decorating committee composed of J. F. Hutchason, chairman; Howard Uhlig, Chas. Zweigart, Roy Durbin and Irvin Brunn, has entered into a contract with Roy Kaufman for the decorating of the city for the strawberry carnival. After much thought and a great deal of figuring the committee decided to award the decoration in one contract in order to get a very low figure on the cost and to be sure that all would be in readiness for the opening of the carnival. When the arches are re-covered and re-painted and decorated with hanging baskets and floral decoration they will present a most attractive display. Each arch will be electrically lighted and it has been suggested that at each corner of the four-way arch on Cass and Jackson streets a booth be erected within the pillars of the arch and from these booths let each visitor to the city be given berries or roses. The committee would like to see this idea carried out and believe it would be an innovation pleasing to all our people as well as the visitors to our city. Hanging baskets on the telephone poles and light poles with evergreen trees lining both sides of Cass and Jackson and Sheridan streets, from the Roseburg hotel to the McClellan bus with overhead ropes of streamers in carnival colors interspersed with an abundance of U. S. flags will make our city a place of beauty and a joy during the carnival. The committee believes that the decorations alone will be worth coming from any part of Oregon to see.

WILL INSTALL NEW CLOCK SYSTEM HERE

J. H. Sinniger, the local timer, recently completed a large clock dial that will be placed on the top of the new high school building in this city. The entire piece of work is made from sheet metal and is very artistic in design, the numerals on

SEARCH FOR BOY

The local officers today spent some time conducting a search here for a lad who the Eugene authorities claim was implicated in a robbery in this city. The boy is well known here and has several relatives residing in this city. He was not located at a late hour this afternoon and it is thought that he is in hiding.

OREGON POTATOES HELD

(By Associated Press.) PORTLAND, April 25.—Mayor Adair, of this city, has declared that Oregon speculators are holding 80,000 sacks of potatoes for higher prices. He is asking the federal authorities to take action against these food speculators.

The dial being of Roman character. The contract for the works of the clock has not yet been let, but will probably be in the near future. The diameter of the face of the clock is six feet and is so large that the numerals will be readily distinguished from the street when it is placed at the top of the building.

One of the most thorough clock systems for any school in the state is being planned for this building. The plan will be to place clocks in each room of the building that will be electrically connected with the master clock which will be placed in the study hall. This master clock will be so arranged that when it is set, it will automatically set the other clocks in the building, so that there will be no variation of time in the separate rooms. Buzzers will be connected with the clocks so that each period of the day will be announced at a certain time designated on the clock. Although this system may not be in operation at the time the new building is opened, it will soon after be installed and will prove a great convenience to the faculty of the school. The large clock recently finished by Mr. Sinniger will also be connected with the master clock of the building and will be one of the largest in this city to be operated in that manner.

NEGRO PREACHER AGAINST GOVERNMENT

Word was received in this city today from Looking Glass that a negro preacher recently visited that place and made a talk against the government and president of the United States. He was made the object of ridicule in the Looking Glass district and several of the residents of that place state that it is their be-

OVER 3000 GERMAN TROOPS CAPTURED

The British Gradually Forcing Wedge Into Teuton Lines Village is Taken.

BATTLE IN MEXICO

Villa Followers Severely Whipped by Government Forces—General Ochoa Killed—Many Are Wounded.

(By Associated Press.) April 25.—In pushing the British offensive, General Haig's army continued an attack along a three mile front, yesterday, between the Scarpe and Coelue rivers, where further gains were made. South of Arras, little by little the British are forcing their way into the German lines between Cambrai and St. Quentin, and over 300 German soldiers captured. The village of Billhem was taken from the enemy during the day's fighting.

Villa Troops Defeated. EL PASO, April 25.—Reports reaching here state that three thousand Carranzista cavalrymen engaged Villa's main command, yesterday, at the Carmen ranch, in western Chihuahua, and that many of the latter's troops were killed or wounded, and his "cuy" put to flight. General Manuel Ochoa, the Villa commander, was killed and his body found. Losses to Villa's force total 300 in killed and wounded.

Dependent on America. WASHINGTON, April 25.—British Foreign Secretary Balfour said today that the allies do not think of asking America to depart from her traditional policies, or to enter into any formal alliance which might later prove embarrassing. He said that the allies' confidence in America was not based on such shallow considerations as arise from treaties, stating that "no treaty could increase our unbounded confidence in the fact that the United States, having come into the war, will see it through to the end, which we all hope for."

RED CROSS CHAPTER MET LAST NIGHT

The meeting of the local chapter of the Red Cross Society was held last evening in the offices of the First State and Savings Bank and a large number was in attendance. Standing committees of the following members were elected: civilian relief, W. H. Richardson; military relief, E. B. Stewart; membership, Mrs. Wm. Bell; finance, R. R. Turner; publicity, Mrs. Chas. L. Hamilton. Those who were elected to serve on the board of directors are: F. H. Churchill, O. P. Coahow, Mrs. Chas. Wharton, N. Rice, Mrs. Chas. Seleccion, J. M. Throno, D. J. Stewart, Martha Perry, W. H. Fisher, Mrs. Geo. Sewell, Mrs. L. B. Nichols, Mrs. Wm. Harris, Mrs. S. A. Sanford, B. W. Strong and Mabel Alvright. The secretary of the chapter was instructed to order from Washington, D. C., the Red Cross educational programs which cover the following classes, first aid, elementary hygiene and home care of the sick, dietetics, preparation for surgical dressings. Instructors for these classes must be authorized from the national headquarters at Washington, D. C., and the classes will be started as soon as the instructors arrive. The membership committee is still hard at work and the enrollment at the present time is 250.

Ref that he was cemented. The officers in this city were notified today of the speaker and information was received that he is headed towards Ten Mile, where it is believed he will attempt to make another talk. The deputies in that district were immediately notified and in case he starts any disturbance there he will probably be placed under arrest. According to those who heard his talk, it was of a very treasonable nature and in a few words the negro condemned the president and the nation. His attitude towards the national situation is anything but sympathetic and unless he discontinues his talks, the sheriff today stated that he will be compelled to leave this country. The negro visited this city several days ago and talked to local people, stating that he was from the West Indies and was making a tour of this country in the interests of humanity.

HONOR GUARD GIRLS GUESTS

The members of the Girls' Honor Guard are to be the guests of the fourth company on Thursday evening when they will be entertained with a delightful dancing party at the armory. Ott's orchestra will play and special plans have been made for this event.

ORDERS EXPECTED

Orders for mobilization of the coast artillery, O. N. G., are not expected until after congress has settled the mobilization bill now before that body, according to Col. C. C. Hammond, who attended a meeting of the general staff in Portland Sunday. This seemed to be the general opinion of all members of the staff present, says Colonel Hammond.

PHYSICAL TEST GIVEN

At the examination of the members of the fourth company last night it was found that out of fifty men, all but three were in almost perfect condition. One or two others were unable to meet the eye test under the unfavorable conditions and were examined today. Another test will be given Thursday evening and it is probable that a few others will be eliminated at that time. The examination was as rigid as is given by the federal authorities.

POLLMAN ELECTED

William Pollman, of Baker, yesterday was elected president of the Cattle and Horse Breeders Association of Oregon at the fourth annual meeting in La Grande. Other officers are: George H. Russell, Prineville, first vice-president; W. H. Daugherty, Portland, second vice-president; William R. Baker, treasurer; S. O. Correll, Baker, secretary. Mr. Pollman has big interests in the water and light plant here and only a few days ago visited this city.

TAKES EXAMINATION

Leland Brown, son of Attorney General George M. Brown, yesterday took the examination at Portland for a commission in the officers' reserve. He has been a non-commissioned officer in the fourth company for some time and has had several years' experience in military training. He is making an effort to secure a commission as second lieutenant and in the event that he is successful will go to the Presidio where he will go into training.

ROBERT HEAD WANTED

Robert Head, a Roseburg youth, is wanted in Eugene on the charge of the theft of a suit of clothes and some other articles from a room mate in that city. The theft is alleged to have been committed there last Wednesday night. Head went to Eugene from Roseburg. It is said that he is wanted here on a charge preferred against him by a girl. The young man is believed to have gone north, as he would perhaps not attempt to pass through this city on account of the charge against him here.

ERECT APARTMENT HOUSE

John Banks today announced that he would soon erect a two-story modern apartment house on his property on First street near the Christian church. Mr. Banks has been contemplating this for some time and will soon let the contract to local builders for the construction. He will have the house arranged in four apartments with three rooms in each apartment, which will be equipped with all the modern conveniences. When finished it will be one of the most modern in this city and he will have little difficulty in renting it.

VON HOLLEWEG IN PUBLIC DISFAVOR

Agitation for Removal of the Chancellor Revived—Internal Troubles Cause.

FIRST MONEY OF LOAN

British Ambassador Gets Warrant for Two Hundred Million of American Coin for Financing the War.

(By Associated Press.) COPENHAGEN, April 25.—The movement for the overthrow of Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg, that was for the time halted by adoption of the ruthless submarine campaign, is again taking on activity in Germany. Renewal of the agitation against the chancellor is encouraged by dissensions over internal troubles and reforms demanded, possible peace and shortage of food throughout the empire. Trifling sum of \$200,000,000. WASHINGTON, April 25.—Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo today handed the British ambassador a treasury warrant for \$200,000,000, the first loan made to any of the entente governments by the United States under the \$7,000,000,000 war finance measure.

Senator Borah May Retire. SAN FRANCISCO, April 25.—Senator Borah, of Idaho, will retire from active political affairs at the end of the present term, is the report current here.

LOCAL SECTION HANDS WILL RAISE GARDENS

This will greatly affect the local section hands and it is very probable that a large number of them will immediately plant gardens and it is thought that the work will be taken up locally with great interest. The right of ways through this county amounts to a great acreage in itself and if planted and put to use for the raising of food stuff will add greatly to the output from this state. The soil is all considered exceptionally good here and for that reason will yield a great deal. The local agent has been notified of this order and will instruct the section hands immediately.

WORK ON NEW RAILWAY TO BEGIN AT KLAMATH

(By Associated Press.) KLAMATH FALLS, April 25.—Within the next thirty days work will probably begin on the first 20-mile unit of the California & Eastern Railroad to Bray, Ore.

CANNED BROCCOLI

A quantity of rhabarb was delivered at the cannery of the Eugene Fruit Growers Association yesterday and it is expected that the canning machinery will be started again today to work up this consignment and to can a quantity of broccoli that has come in during the past few days. A short run was made a few days ago on broccoli that was shipped in from Roseburg.

Will Pass Through Friday

A message was received this morning from Leo DeVaney to the effect that he will pass through this city Friday instead of last night as was expected. He has joined the aviation department of the regular army and will soon be stationed in Texas.

MAYOR'S COAT BURNS

Mayor Rice came nearly having to resort to the proverbial barrel this afternoon when he dropped his pipe in his pocket forgetting to knock out the ashes. He had gone into the city hall for the purpose of attending to a few of the city business matters and shortly after his entrance began to sniff the air to locate the direction of the acrid smoke reaching his nostrils. He conducted a careful search about the office before he finally discovered that his own coat was in flames. It was only a few seconds of industrious effort before he had extinguished the conflagration, but it will be some development upon him to purchase some new attire.

ATTEMPT TO POISON BANDAGES

L. G. Hicks today received a letter from his mother, Mrs. G. N. Hicks, who is now located at Palo Alto, Calif. Mrs. Hicks has been engaged in Red Cross work, going to San Francisco several times each week. She states that a large quantity of bandages were discovered to have been covered with powdered carbolic acid and powdered glass, each donation is now being very carefully inspected.

IN WISCONSIN

Word was received in this city today from Bud Stephenson, who is at the present time located in Madison, Wis. He states that he is enjoying his stay in the east immensely.

LADY PRESS AGENT HERE

Emma C. Miller, the lady press agent for the Al. G. Barnes circus, which appears here May 4, arrived in this city today.

LOCAL BOY PASSES OFFICER'S EXAMINATION

Benjamin Caro returned this morning from Portland where he has spent the past few days taking an examination for the officer's reserve corps. He states that he was very successful in the examination and succeeded in passing. He is expecting a call to the San Francisco Presidio at any time. Mr. Caro's previous military training aided him a great deal in securing a place in the corps and in case he is called he will probably be put over a squad of men to drill them for active service. The physical examination passed was very strict and many of the applicants were unable to make it. Those who happened to take the examination at the same time Mr. Caro did and who formerly lived in this city were Wallace Benson, Bird Vinson and Conrad Sture, of Melrose.

FISHERMEN ENCROACH ON INDIAN RIGHTS

C. S. Heinline, will leave this evening for Portland, Cello and The Dalles, having been ordered by the head of the Indian service to make an investigation of conditions there. It is understood that Columbia river fishermen have been encroaching upon the rights of Indians at Cello and The Dalles and that the department will make some provision in correcting the condition. Mr. Heinline will probably gather evidence which will be turned over to the district attorney for investigation and it is the belief that the matter will be brought before the courts for settlement, several legal matters as well as treaties and contracts being involved.

SOLDIERS HOME HOSPITAL BIDS

According to word received in this city eight bids have been received for the new hospital building for the Soldiers' Home in Roseburg. The lowest bid of all received was that of John Almeter, of Portland, who bid \$24,125. None of the bids were within the \$22,500 appropriation made by the last legislature. Alternative bids, however, brought some below that mark. Other bids were also received by the board for other buildings that have no bearing on local issues.

MOLLIE BOWERS GAINS PARDON

Former Roseburg Girl Regains Child and Gets a Pardon From Gov. Withycombe.

IS WELL KNOWN HERE

Lived in This City for Several Years Before Departure for Portland—Legal Battle Is Fought in Courts.

"Mollie Bowers has made good," says an article in this morning's Oregonian. Mollie Bowers, who was formerly Mollie Stump, of this city, has been in the public eye for several months and is well known in this city, having lived here for a number of years. The article follows: The pretty divorcee, whose unhappy early life led to her being denied her baby girl by the juvenile court, from the custody of which two sensational attempts were made by the mother to kidnap the youngster, has been pardoned by Governor Withycombe and her child has been restored.

Arrangements which crowned with success the hard fight of the young woman and brought satisfaction of the intense mother longing were completed within the last few days. It was a transfigured Mollie Bowers who visited the juvenile court yesterday to thank Judge Tazwell for the return of the child. It was a jubilant smiling-eyed Marion Bowers aged 6, who waved good-bye and promised to visit the judge often.

"I'll come back soon—tomorrow"—promised the child. Mollie Bowers is but a child herself in year, despite an unfortunate early marriage and experiences which have brought a few lines of care about her decidedly attractive brown eyes. "Pretty" as applied to Mollie Bowers, is not the stereotyped reference to any young woman who breaks into the news, parscription. Bowers is not the young woman's name today, but it is the one by which she is known to readers of the news, and the one she bore until her second marriage—a rare love match that time, not many months ago.

Mother and child have been separated for a year and a half, but their reunion by court order will be permanent if Mollie Bowers shows the same strength of character and will to live right for the sake of her daughter that she has shown since the separation. A legal battle over little Marion Bowers began when the child was only 3 years old. Judge Gatens, then juvenile judge, three years ago, made Marion a ward of the court after Mr. and Mrs. Bowers had appeared and each made charges that the other was incompetent to care for her. The girl was taken to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Grant in Dallas.

Mrs. Bowers and her brother, Clell Stump, hired an automobile, seized the child in the yard of the Grants in Dallas and took her to Salem before deputy sheriff Tom Polk county apprehended the kidnappers. Litigation for custody of the child went to the supreme court, which decided that the juvenile court of Multnomah county still had jurisdiction.

In January, 1916, Juvenile Judge Cleaton ordered Marion made a ward of the court, and took her from her mother. Mollie Bowers staged a second kidnapping and fled into Washington, again with her brother. She was traced, brought back to Portland and the child again placed with a private family. Meanwhile Mrs. Bowers was indicted by the grand jury for kidnapping. The girl-mother was paroled by Circuit Judge Morrow on her promise to live so that she might deserve her child. This parole was ended by the pardon of Governor Withycombe.

Mollie Bowers married again, this time to a clean chap, who has endeavored her in the first real home she has known for many years. She has renounced companions of evil days and has made a home for her daughter—a home in which the juvenile court is placing Marion with the conviction that the child will grow up in proper surroundings and with a mother's love which has surmounted men for the girl's sake.

Ordered Streets Cleaned. Mayor Rice today issued orders to the street cleaning department to clean up the city streets earlier than usual tomorrow morning in order to have them in readiness for the meeting of Odd Fellows. Several places about the city were also given orders to clean up at once.