

German Subs Sink Many Ships British Transport Is Sunk; 279 Lives Are Lost American Steamer Submarined; Two Killed

BRITISH ADMIRALTY ANNOUNCES SINKING OF TRANSPORT ARCADIAN

TWO HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-NINE LIVES LOST IN DISASTER APRIL 15.

STEAMER ROCKINGHAM IS SUBMARINED

Two Men Are Known To Be Killed—Message From Captain Says Two Men Were Killed—Boat With Thirteen Men Has Not Landed—Big Tanker Sun and Windjammer Also Torpedoed.

The Arcadian sank after the submarine hit it with a torpedo, it is officially stated. Most of those lost were drowned.

The Arcadian was a former Royal Mail Packet liner, of eight thousand nine hundred tons and registered at Belfast.

London, May 3.—(United Press)—The British transport Arcadian was sunk in the Mediterranean April 15, with a loss of two hundred and seventy-nine lives, according to Admiralty statements.

New York, May 3.—(United Press)—Two men are known to have been killed when the American steamer Rockingham was submarined, according to a cable to the Garland Steamship Corporation received from Captain Edwards.

The Rockingham was torpedoed. Two men were killed, one boat, with thirteen men has not yet landed. Shell fire probably killed the two men.

Philadelphia, May 3.—(United Press)—The big tanker Sun was torpedoed and sunk in the Mediterranean, according to advices the Sun Oil company has received. The crew is reported saved.

Washington, May 3.—(Special)—The enormous inroads on the world's shipping made by German submarines within the last few weeks has brought to American government officials a full realization of the disaster that faces the United States and the allies if the undersea warfare is not checked.

Governors and state representatives, here for a National defense conference, will take home to their people a message from the government emphasizing the menace to America and urging that there must be the fullest co-ordination by the states in war preparation if Germany is to be defeated.

Secretary Lane told the conference that the great destruction of ships was threatening the existence of Great Britain and France and menacing the United States. No one, he said, knew the exact number of ships lost recently, but estimates put last week's submarine toll at 400,000 tons. Later he explained that this estimate probably was too high.

Secretary Lansing in a statement declared the seriousness of the submarine situation could not be exaggerated, and that it was time the country awoke to the true facts. Reports to the state department give a total of 80 vessels lost in one week, figures much higher than any contained in recent British announcements.

ADDITIONAL TRAINING QUARTERS ARE NECESSARY—DANIELS ASKS FOR \$7,000,000

Washington, May 3.—(United Press)—Declaring navy enlistments are coming so fast that additional training quarters are necessary, Secretary Daniels personally asked an additional appropriation of seven millions for naval training stations.

BANQUET IS CLOSE OF WOOD- MEN CONVENTION

DELEGATES LEAVE ON LATE TRAINS AFTER ATTENDING ENJOYABLE AFFAIR AT M. E. CHURCH.

DAUGHTERS OF MODERN WOODMEN SERVE

Interior of Church Was Decorated Like a Forest—Speakers Pay Tribute to the Merits and Benefits of the Fraternal Organization—Senator Pierce Pays Tribute to the Flag.

The Modern Woodmen of America State camp is a thing of the past. Last night's banquet served in the M. E. church closed the successful event. The delegates departed on the late trains, being escorted to the depot by the local order.

The banquet given by the local M. W. A. and prepared by the ladies of the M. E. church was a unique affair. And to be served by the daughters of the Modern Woodmen dressed in white, with wreaths of wild flowers in their hair and leaves stenciled around their dresses which converted them into wood nymphs, was a rare pleasure. The decorations were beautiful and carried out the plan of a forest. The tables were set in among small fir trees and decorated with fir and wild flowers. Across the ceiling the letters M. W. A. in red white and blue were placed and the entire room was bordered with the Woodmen emblem and flags.

The menu was delicious and the highest compliments were paid to the ladies for the splendid repast.

Music for the event was furnished by the Colonial orchestra. Chairman Vinacke of the banquet committee began the program by introducing Charles Harding and the Woodmen sextet which tendered a beautiful selection in honor of the occasion.

Mr. Simmons Given "Pep."

Rube Foster gave the best exhibition of "Woodmen Pep" ever shown by those who are not Woodmen. Rube says his name is a joke, his subject a joke and in fact all was a joke. It proved to be so and the joke was turned on Past State Deputy Consul, J. W. Simmons of Portland. By carefully scheming and planning a contrivance, consisting of a "charged chair" to which a live electric wire was attached, was sprung as the best way of introducing "Woodmen Pep" into Mr. Simmons, who unsuspectingly was aroused from his repast by a strong current of electricity.

Rev. N. K. Kindall, of McMinnville, delivered a stirring address upon the "Spirit of Woodcraft." He characterized the Modern Woodmen of America, with its great membership, as the democracy of fraternity. He declared that the proudest day of his life was when he delivered a \$2000 check to the widow of a Woodman in a lowly home, which permitted her to keep her family together and to go on with life's struggle.

Senator Walter M. Pierce referred in a humorous vein to his limping in.

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The Weather.

Portland, May 3.—(United Press)—The U. S. weather forecast: "Fair and westerly winds."

AMERICA GETS ALL THE NEWS OF BRITISH CONDUCT OF THE WAR

Lord Northcliffe Issues Statement To Set At Rest Doubt and Distrust Arising From Suspicion of Suppressing the Fact—"Submarines Can't Win the War," He Says.

BUT HE BELIEVES WAR MAY LAST LONG TIME

BY ED L. KEEN.
London, May 3.—(United Press)—America is getting full and complete facts of every news feature of the British end of the war developments, except actual figures of the submarine losses and you may expect to receive them soon.
"The submarine menace is Germany's strongest card but it never will win the war." The foregoing is on the authority of Lord Northcliffe. The United Press told him squarely that there was gathering doubt and distrust resulting from the belief America hasn't received the full war news.
"I always believed the war would last long," said he. "I haven't changed my opinion."

RED CROSS IS GETTING MANY NEW MEMBERS

OTHER CITIES ARE FORMING AUXILIARIES—NEIGHBORHOOD CLUB DONATES \$65.

Red Cross work is going on at full speed. Every day Mrs. George T. Cochran, chairman of the membership committee reports new members. Steps are also being taken to form auxiliaries at many of the towns of Wallowa and Union counties. Lillian Flack, of Enterprise, is the secretary of an organization of 18 which is forming at Enterprise and which desires to train so as to be of service as Red Cross nurses and to assist all in Red Cross work.

The Neighborhood club has turned over a donation of \$65. The ladies have given up their May day breakfast, and this \$65 is the money that would have been spent upon this breakfast, which has always been an annual event. The Red Cross chapter is very grateful for this splendid donation.

Mrs. E. T. Andrews, chairman of the committee on surgical relief, has requested that all ladies who wish to help with sewing leave their names and phone numbers or addresses with Mr. King at the Y. M. C. A. so that they can be called together when the instructions for their work arrives.

The government has given orders that five of the base hospitals be sent to Europe. This means that the American Red Cross, with surgeons and nurses will soon be in full operation at the Western front.

New members are as follows:

F. B. Connor, W. R. Jones, L. B. Moo, W. C. Froemann, Mrs. R. J. Green, Mrs. Bert Gilman, Mrs. C. M. Playle and Ray Fuller of La Grande. The Alice members are as follows: R. O. Watkins, Mrs. H. Littleton, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Christenson, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wallinger, John Clark, John Smith, Mrs. E. Wallinger, Mrs. Carry Van Housen, Mrs. Elmer Speckhart, Mrs. Addie Speckhart and Miss Veda Smith. Summer-ville, Perry Woodell.

Little Boy Found.

A little boy about three years of age was found wandering up and down Adams avenue this afternoon, carrying in his hand a penny. He does not know his name so has been turned over to the Elks' club in charge of Adna Rogers. So far authorities have been unable to locate his parents.

MRS GEORGE SUES THE TONGS FOR \$10,493

Portland, May 3.—(United Press)—Mrs. Celia George, hit in the leg by a tongman's bullet during an attack on William Eng at La Grande, sued today the Suey Sing and the Hop Sing tong for ten thousand four hundred and ninety-three dollars damages.

The shooting happened in front of the postoffice and caused a local sensation.

STATES URGED TO ORGANIZE FOR DEFENSE

Representatives of State Councils of National Defense Meet in Washington—Speaker Stanfield There.

Washington, May 3.—(United Press)—To bring the efforts of states into "working unity with the national government for the prosecution of the war" representatives appointed by the governors of the various states are meeting here today with the Council for National Defense.

Secretary of War Baker, who is chairman of the council, issued the call upon governors for delegates to the conference. It will meet criticism which has been frequent of late, that preparedness measures are conflicting, by coordinating methods of mobilizing man power, coping with the food situation and collecting military and industrial census data. R. N. Stanfield, speaker of the House of Representatives, represents Oregon.

Windjammer Is Torpedoed! Crew Safe

Washington, May 3.—(United Press)—The torpedoing of the American windjammer, Willard Adams, and the rescue of her crew, were officially reported to the state department.

The Lyceum theater with a seating capacity of three thousand, is the biggest in London, but the London opera-house has the largest stage.

GENERAL HAIG BEGINS A NEW AND POWERFUL DRIVE

CITY RECORDER NEWLIN HAS RESIGNED

NEW TRAFFIC ORDINANCE REGULATING MOTORCYCLES IS INTRODUCED.

ANNUAL CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGN SUCCESSFUL

Caretaker at Intake Reports Continued Cold Weather—High Water Washes Out Pipe Line Under River Pound Man at Work Collecting Dog Licenses.

At the regular meeting of the City Commission last evening monthly bills were brought up for readings. The new traffic ordinance regarding motorcycles was introduced and the annual clean-up campaign was reported successful.

City Recorder Newlin resigned and the office of city recorder and city treasurer have been consolidated in the person of John Collier, at no extra compensation.

Miss Nora Arbuckle has been appointed assistant to Mr. Collier.

The city manager's report follows: Fire chief's report for the week shows one call. Fire was discovered in the Methodist church, South, roof badly damaged, twelve volunteers responded. Later in the night telephone call showed that fire had re-started and chemical was sent out in a taxi to stop second fire. Used two lines of hose putting out 550 feet.

Water superintendent's report shows an expenditure of \$65.50. This included meter reading, work at septic tank, cost of sending men over part of pipe line and looking after pipe at river.

Engineer Neal's report shows that he has figured out the capacity of Beaver Creek reservoir to be 200,000,000 gallons. Made a chart showing the amount of water in gallons contained in reservoir at various stages. Placed permanent monuments in Williamson's addition, and also made tests of material used in viaducts. Total expense for the month was \$73. This included his salary and that of helper.

The report of chief of police shows nine arrests for the week, number of drunks one, number of assault and battery one, number of gamblers four, traffic violators two, arrest of one violator of dog ordinance, number released one, number convicted eight, number of meals served 10, number of meals paid for by outside parties four, amount of fines and forfeitures \$85. Collected for meals \$1, number of special officers five, number of lights out one, number of sleepers seven, number of stock impounded nine, stock fees received \$3.

Warrants Issued—On special interest fund, for semi-annual int., sewer bonds, \$1000. On improvement dist. int. fund semi-annual int. imp. bonds, \$39.96.

The above in favor of John Collier, city treasurer.

Miscellaneous Licenses Issued to

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Washington, May 3.—(United Press)—Secretary McAdoo gave a treasury warrant of one hundred million dollars to the Italian Ambassador Di Colleone, Italy's share of the war loan.

HEAVY FIGHTING IS REPORTED ALL ALONG THE BRITISH FRONT.

Offensive Has Been Renewed Over Twelve Mile Battle Line—General Hindenburg Desperately Throws in Fresh Units, Urging Them to Hold the Line or Die.

London, England, May 3.—(United Press)—After two days of inaction General Haig has powerfully renewed his drive today.

"Heavy fighting all along the front," is reported.

"We're progressing and have already taken a number of strong German positions."

The report indicated an offensive had been renewed over a twelve mile front.

Since the fighting began April 9, over 13 enemy divisions have been exhausted on this front alone, yet General Hindenburg is desperately throwing in fresh units with pitiless orders to hold the line or die.

North of Greenland Hill toward Eresney, Bulscourt and Cherisy reports indicate the British are gaining ground.

Germany is counter attacking fiercely.

The destruction of Lens continues both day and night.

The Boches fear the capture of Douai, with the remaining portions of the Hindenburg line.

New Attack Begun.

Berlin, May 3.—(United Press)—British troops began a new attack on a "wide front early this morning," it is officially stated.

MAY WHEAT AT CHICAGO SELLS AT \$2.80

Chicago, May 3.—(United Press)—The wheat market:

May—Open \$2.75; high, \$2.80; low \$2.72; close \$2.80.
July—Open \$2.25; high, \$2.28; low \$2.19 3-4; close \$2.26 1-4.

Portland, May 3.—(United Press)—The wheat market:
Club \$2.69; Bluestem \$2.79.

HOUSE GIVES FRENCH HEROES GREAT WELCOME

COMMISSION PREPARES FOR TRIP THROUGH THE WEST—JOFFRE SHOWS GALLANTRY

Washington, May 3.—(United Press)—Having completed the major share of the Allies' war parley, the French commission visited the House of Representatives and prepared for a trip through the west this afternoon.

The House's greeting to Joffre and Viviani and Vice Admiral Chochprat was a riot.

Viviani gave a stirring address, frequently interrupted by applause.

When Viviani finished, Joffre arose,

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