

GERMANS TORPEDO TWO HOSPITAL SHIPS

Teutons Kill Own Wounded When Donegal and Lanfranc Are Sunk.

ONE MARKED, OTHER NOT

Admiralty Reports Both Had Escort and That British Patrols Saved Many at Great Risk at Enemy Hands.

LONDON, April 22.—The British hospital ship Lanfranc, with many wounded aboard, have been torpedoed without warning. They were sunk on April 17, those on the Donegal 29 wounded men, but the crew are missing. The Lanfranc carried German wounded as well as British. Of those aboard 19 British and 16 Germans are believed to have perished.

The story of the sinking of the hospital ship Lanfranc will rank with the undying histories of the Birkenhead and Tyndareus, according to a British officer. The British soldiers stood at attention while the ship was slowly sinking beneath them. Their conduct was in marked contrast to that of the Prussian Guard aboard, who in the moment of danger rushed for the lifeboats.

German Dash for Boats. "The Lanfranc was attacked by a submarine about Tuesday evening," said the officer. "The crash shook the liner violently, the explosion sending splinters and glass flying in all directions. Within a few minutes the engines stopped and the vessel seemed to be sinking rapidly, but to our surprise it did not sink until after a while remained motionless. We had aboard prisoners of the Prussian Guard and those of the British, including some serious cases.

"The moment the torpedo struck the Prussians made a mad rush for the lifeboats. When they were ordered to await their turn many showed cowardice by dropping on their knees and imploring pity.

British Stug Despite Peril. "The crew and staff went to their posts. The stretcher cases were lowered first to the boats. Meanwhile, in response to distress calls, many vessels came hurrying to our assistance. Even while wounded and helpless Tommies lay unaided in their cots, the cowardly prisoners made another attempt and managed to crowd in a lifeboat, which, however, toppled over directly as it was lowered. Then they fought with each other to reach another boat containing some gravely wounded. I shall never see all British cots, the own lads. They tried to stand at attention, crippled as they were, while the graver cases were being looked after. The crew's staff remained at their posts until the last man was taken off. Some doffed their garments and threw them to those in the lifeboats wanting warm clothing, and in the midst of the distress and tragedy our men were able to strike up some popular ditties."

Medical Staff Lost. The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Andrew Bonar Law, announced on April 19 in the House of Commons that there had recently been further losses of British hospital ships which would be published soon. Today the Secretary of the Admiralty issued the following statement:

"On the evening of April 17 the steamships Donegal and Lanfranc, while transporting wounded to British ports, were torpedoed without warning. The Donegal carried slightly wounded cases—all British. Of these 29 men, as well as 12 of the crew, are missing and presumed drowned. The Lanfranc, in addition to 234 wounded British officers and men, carried 167 wounded German prisoners, a medical personnel of 22 and a crew of 12. Of these the following are missing and presumed drowned: "Two wounded British officers. "Seven wounded British other ranks. "One Royal Army Medical Corps staff. "Five of the crew. "Five wounded German officers. "Ten wounded German other ranks."

102 Germans Rescued. "One hundred and fifty-two wounded German prisoners were rescued by British patrols at the imminent risk of being themselves torpedoed."

"Owing to the German practice of sinking hospital ships at sight and to the fact that distinctive marking and lighting of such vessels render them more conspicuous targets for German submarines, it has become no longer possible to distinguish our hospital ships in the customary manner. One of these two ships, therefore, though carrying wounded in any way outwardly distinguished as a hospital ship. The distinctive markings of the other had not yet been removed. Both were provided with an escort for protection."

The Lanfranc was a vessel of 6257 tons gross, 418 feet in length. The Donegal registered 1997 tons gross and was 331 feet long.

BERLIN, via London, April 22.—"After a naval engagement Friday night to the east of Dover," says an official statement today, "two German torpedo-boats destroyed the British hospital ships Donegal and G-42, and reported to have been lost."

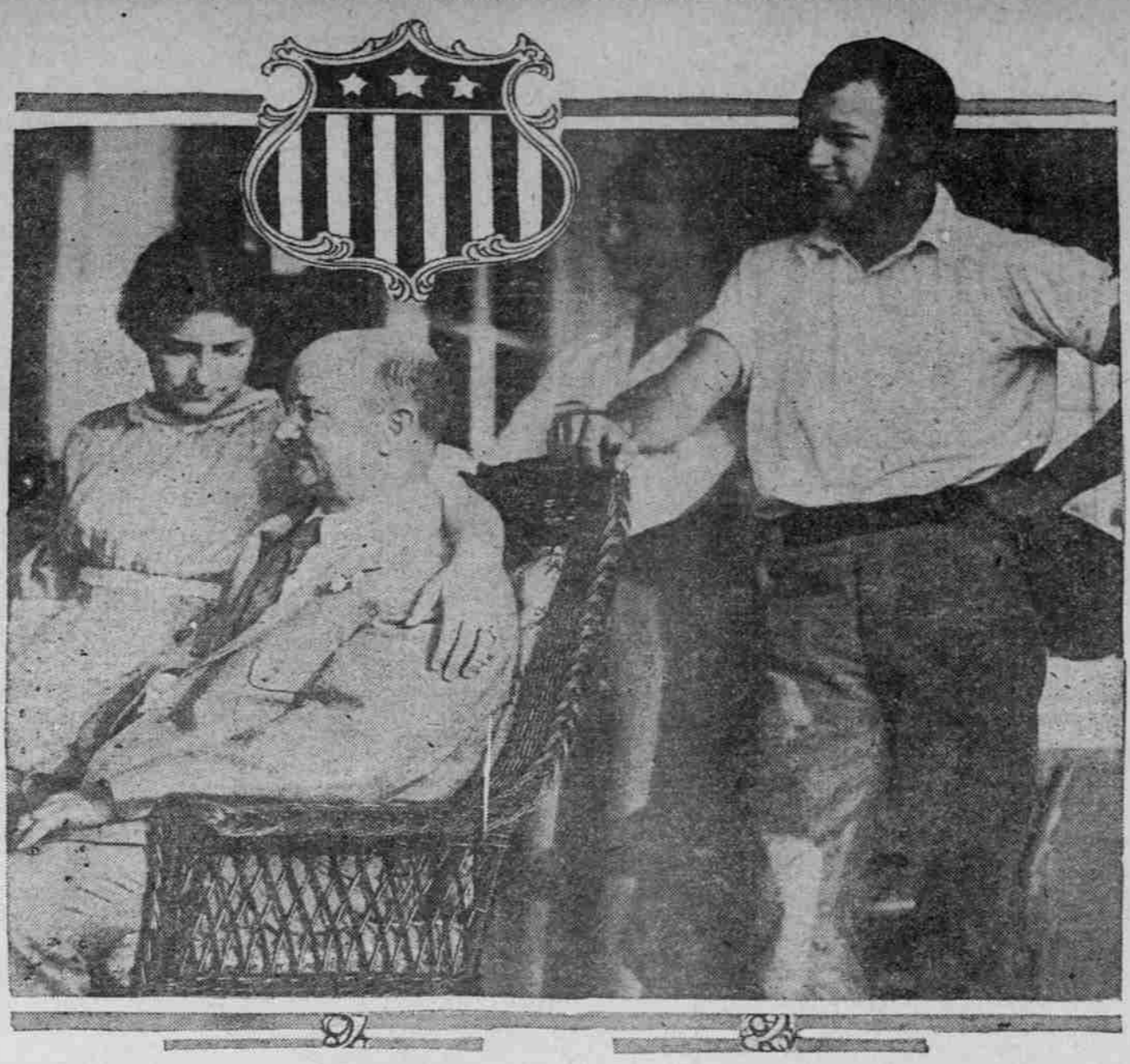
The German destroyer G-42 was one of 11 vessels of this type built at the Krupp-Germania yard in 1914. The vessel displaced 620 tons and carried a complement of 73 officers and men. She was an oil burner and had a normal speed of 33 1/2 knots. The G-53 was a destroyer of a still later type.

LONDON, April 22.—Reynolds' Weekly newspaper says that at Dover 23 German and 22 British dead lie in the market hall. The crowds hooted the German survivors from the sunken destroyers when they landed, on account of the sinking of hospital ships by German submarines.

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WORK OF GREAT MAGNITUDE PERFORMED BY WILL H. PARRY.



LATE PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN AT MR. PARRY'S HOME ON SALMON BAY, SEATTLE, SHOWS MR. PARRY, MRS. PARRY, THEIR SON TOM AND DAUGHTER JANE.

SEATTLE, Wash., April 22.—(Special.)—Will H. Parry "died in harness." Although he handled millions of money for various Seattle industrial and civic enterprises during the last 14 years, his chief work was the organization of the lumber industry in Washington and Oregon, through the Federal Trade Commission, so that this industry would be put on its feet for foreign trade after the war.

It was Mr. Parry's plan to perfect legislation so that lumber mill interests could lawfully co-ordinate in marketing their products abroad. Such legislation as is now in the hands of Congress was drafted by him. It is known that President Wilson named him as member of the Federal Trade Commission as a personal appreciation of the gigantic lumber interests of the Pacific Northwest and their importance to the country.

ARMY BILL UP TODAY

Republican to Lead Fight for Administration Measure.

Advocates of Volunteer System to Make Struonous Fight in House, but Democrats Are Confident of Margin of at Least 20.

SENATE WELL IN HAND

WASHINGTON, April 22.—The Administration's war Army bill will be under debate in both houses of Congress tomorrow with right of way for all other legislation until passed.

Interest centers upon the House, where spokesmen for President Wilson will oppose the majority of the military committee over the selective draft plan. A vote may be reached Wednesday. In the Senate it is regarded as a foregone conclusion that the measure as drawn by the general staff and approved by the President will be passed there by a substantial majority. Chairman Kent of the House military committee, and nine other committee members will make the fight for the bill as reported by them, which proposes that the Army shall be raised by calls for volunteers in increments of 500,000 and that the draft shall be resorted to only unless and until that system has failed.

Despite the opposition of Chairman Kent, Administration supporters maintained tonight that they would override his volunteer plan by from 20 to 25 votes. The committee chairman advocates of the volunteer system made no predictions, but they felt sure, it was declared, that they will make a good showing. They hoped that full explanation of their plan on the floor would attract support.

Particular interest attaches to the debate because Representative Kahn, a Republican, born in Germany, will present the Administration views. The President's and committee chairmen heretofore often have differed on measures, but this is the first time that a Republican actually has been advanced to speak for the Administration.

Representative Kahn, ranking Republican member of the military committee, is in a forceful speaker. His views have been in accord with most of the Government's preparedness plans.

SEATTLE, April 22.—The bodies of three small boys, Billy Williams, six-year-old son of Bailey V. Williams, an Associated Press operator Raymond Mills, nine-year-old son of P. Mills, and Jack Izard, aged 11, were found today near a gasoline launch in Lake Washington, asphyxiated by gasoline fumes.

The launch was moored to the shore near the home of one of the boys. When they did not return yesterday afternoon search was begun for them, continuing all night, it being feared that they had been drowned or been lost in the woods. This morning they were found on the launch.

SHADOW IS APPLAUDED

SPECTATORS STIRRED BY FILMING OF BOXER'S TRIUMPH.

Former Portland Actor Director of Picture Featuring Jack Mulhall. Strand Offers Vaudeville.

A prizefight that won the hand of a princess and brought a happy ending to one of the cleverest extravaganzas that has been produced was the highlight in the Redfeather Gim feature, "Mr. Dolan, of New York," which began its run in the new bill at the Strand Theater yesterday. Jack Mulhall, who is cast for "Mr. Dolan," lightweight champion of the world, became a hero to the motion picture fans when he appeared as the cowboy in "Fighting for Love," and won the hand of a queen in a little European kingdom, and he is more than ever a hero since his appearance in "Mr. Dolan, of New York."

Applause for a motion picture is not the average response of an audience, but when Jack knocked out "Spider Flynn" on the screen yesterday and the King of Koenigsburg came over the ropes to make him a Count and bestow upon him the hand of the princess, the spectators forgot that it was only a shadow on a screen.

Raymond B. Wells, formerly of the Baker Stock Company here, directed this film, as he did the one in which Mulhall first became famous. The Vaudeville hit of the programme features Abraham, Johns and company in the comedy sketch, "The Widow," which

Lumberman to Visit Holdings. ROSEBURG, Or., April 22.—(Special.)—DeWitt Van Ostrand, wealthy timber owner of Phillips, Wis., will arrive here on April 25 on his way to Grants Pass, where he has extensive timber holdings. Mr. Van Ostrand is much interested in a railroad from Roseburg to Coos Bay and on his last visit here announced that such a line might be constructed. People here are of the opinion that his present trip to Roseburg may be in connection with this project.

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SWEDES WANT FOOD

Crowd of 5000 Sweeps Down Upon the Riksdag.

Immediate Commercial Agreement With Great Britain and Better Distribution System Is Also Asked by Demonstrators.

RATIONS NOT TO BE CUT

STOCKHOLM, via London, April 22.—A crowd of workmen, estimated to number 5000, congregated this afternoon before the Riksdag building to emphasize their demand for the stoppage of all exports of food, for a better distribution of foodstuffs, and for an immediate commercial agreement with Great Britain.

Premier Swartz had just finished a speech informing the two chambers of Parliament of the Swedish food situation and the crowd called for M. Branting, the Socialist leader, who left the lower chamber to speak to the demonstrators. He promised he and his associates would continue to work for the realization of the workmen's just demands.

Hunger demonstrations are reported from several points in Sweden. Prime Minister Swartz submitted to the Riksdag a detailed statement on food conditions in Sweden and explained the necessity for the recent reduction of daily rations.

He said the ration had been adjusted from the calculation that 500,000 tons of rye and wheat together would be available the first of the year. An inventory showed, however, only 410,000 tons, from which 400,000 tons would have to be taken for seed. The Premier said that 126,000 tons had been purchased abroad, but that it was uncertain whether or when it could be brought in.

The situation now, the Premier declared, justifies the statement that no further reduction of rations will be necessary until late in September, when the new harvest will be available. The fodder supply for livestock, however, is still insufficient. The Premier declared that the potato situation was unsatisfactory and the increasing scarcity must be reckoned with.

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Seattle Youngsters Asphyxiated by Gasoline Fumes.

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RAILROAD MEN VISITORS

Five Southern Pacific Passenger Agents on Tour of System.

"Here to see the country" is the mission of five Southern Pacific passenger men who arrived in Portland yesterday from the South. They form one of a series of similar parties sent out by the Southern Pacific passenger department for the purpose of gaining more intimate knowledge of conditions on all parts of the system.

The party embraces the following: Tom Hood, city passenger and ticket agent at Houston, Tex.; R. E. George, traveling passenger agent at San Antonio, Tex.; F. E. Larkin, district ticket agent at Houston; E. A. Pennington, city passenger and ticket agent at Fort Worth, and John D. Garvey, traveling passenger agent at New Orleans.

TWO BEGIN JAIL TERMS

Fred and Ora Billingsley Agree to Make Appeal.

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TALK IS PATRIOTIC

Milton A. Miller Speaks at Centenary Church.

WAR HELD UNAVOIDABLE

America's Noble Tradition of Fighting Only for Liberty Preserved in Present Case, He Says. President is Extolled.

KENNEWICK RAISES FLAG

OVER 1000 PARTICIPATE IN PARADE IN SUNDAY EXERCISES.

Meeting Held About Pole in Center of City, and is Marked by Unusual Show of Patriotism.

KENNEWICK, Wash., April 22.—(Special.)—The people of Eastern Benton County met here this afternoon in a great patriotic demonstration parade and flag raising. More than 1000 people participated in the parade. Addresses were made by prominent men. Songs were sung and a great flag, especially secured for the occasion, was raised on an 80-foot flagpole in the heart of the city.

Never before has such patriotic enthusiasm been displayed of citizens of this city. The parade was composed of the band, a troop of the Idaho National Guard, the Boy Scouts, 110 members of Kennewick's Home Guard, Knights of Pythias drill team and several hundred school children.

The programme rendered included a speech of welcome by Mayor George W. Sherk, invocation by Rev. Charles E. Miller, speeches by County Commissioner R. E. Pratt, Rev. Knowles S. and Attorney M. M. Moulton.

"The meeting was held in the open. The great crowd joined in the singing of patriotic songs. An extension of Mayor Sherk, the people had met to reiterate their love of country and pledge support to the leaders of the Nation."

TACOMA DOCK LOSING

STATE SURVEY SHOWS UTILITY NOT SELF-SUSTAINING.

Operating Loss of More Than \$36,000 in Six Years Found by Application of Business Rules.

TACOMA, Wash., April 22.—(Special.)—In the last six years' operation of the City Municipal Dock—January 1, 1911, to December 31, 1916—there has been an operating loss of \$36,112.75, and at no time has the dock been a paying investment for the city, figuring on a basis which a private corporation would operate on.

From reports of city controllers, commissioners of public works and marshals, in which dock documents were figured from another standpoint showing good annual net profits, the idea became current that the dock is standing on its own feet financially and is a profit-making, municipally-owned utility.

Members of the State Bureau of Inspection, W. L. Nicely and C. W. Karner, after making the first complete operating statement of the Municipal Dock since its establishment, show in an income, profit and loss statement that the dock is money-losing proposition for the city with the taxpayers footing deficit bills.

Teacher Leaps to Death. CHICAGO, April 22.—Miss Lenata Meier, a teacher in the public schools of Marquette, Mich., jumped from the third-story window of an Evanston residence today and was killed. She had been in ill health and was waiting the arrival of relatives from Colorado Springs, Colo., to take her home.

BRITISH TIGHTEN LINES

Gains Are Consolidated and Main Turkish Positions Neared.

LONDON, April 22.—An official communication dealing with the report last Friday of the advance of the British forces north of Wadi Ghuzze, in Southern Palestine, says:

"The British have consolidated the ground gained and now are in touch with the enemy's main position covering Gaza (near the Mediterranean about 50 miles southeast of Jerusalem.) This position extends from the sea coast near Sheikh Ahmed through Alliantar to the east of the town and thence in a south-easterly direction to Abuhariara. About 200 Turkish prisoners were captured on the 19th."

Surfrage for 18,000 educated Indians in the province of Ontario is urged on the dominion government by Scotie Lozan, chief of the Muncey tribe.

"America's Part in the World Crisis" was the subject of an able and inspiring address delivered at the Centenary Methodist Church last night by Milton A. Miller, collector of internal revenue, and devoted student of American history.

Mr. Miller briefly reviewed the history of the American people, recalling at the presentation of each important phase of their development that every war in which this Nation has engaged has been waged for the cause of liberty.

"This noble tradition, he pointed out, is preserved in the part that the United States has elected to play in the present war."

"We entered this war only," he declared, "when we were clearly forced into it, because there are no other means of defending our rights."

"We have no quarrel with the German people. We have no feeling towards them but one of sympathy and friendship."

"We shall be satisfied when these rights are made secure. Property can be paid for but the lives of peaceful and innocent people cannot be. We will not choose the path of submission. We will not suffer the sacred rights of our people to be ignored or violated."

"The wrongs against which we array ourselves are no common wrongs. They cut to the very roots of human life."

"While the American people are a peace-loving people, he said, they love liberty more than peace."

"We shall fight for the cause that we have always carried nearest our hearts," he continued, "—for democracy. We shall fight to give the people of all nations a voice in their own government—for the rights and liberties of the small nations."

He referred with words of highest praise to President Wilson's so-called

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