

## LUSITANIA OWNERS HELD NOT LIABLE

Cunard Steamship Company Not Responsible for Loss of Life and Property.

## COURT'S JUDGMENT GIVEN

Judge Mayer States Allies Will Doubtless See Reparation Is Made When the Time Shall Come.

NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—The Cunard Steamship Company cannot be held liable for loss of life and property in the torpedoing of the Lusitania by a German submarine, according to a decision handed down in the Admiralty court by Judge Julius M. Mayer and made public today.

The cause of the sinking of the Lusitania was the illegal act of the Imperial German government, acting through its instrument, the submarine commander, declared Judge Mayer, who held "the fault, therefore, must be laid upon those who are responsible for the sinking of the vessel in the legal as moral sense."

In dismissing suits against the Cunard Line aggregating nearly \$4,000,000, brought by heirs of persons who perished with the Lusitania on May 7, 1915, Judge Mayer asserted that "it is not to be doubted that the United States of America and her allies will well remember the rights of those affected by the sinking of the Lusitania and when the time shall come will see to it that reparation shall be made for one of the most indefensible acts of modern times."

## Every Precaution Taken.

Judge Mayer dismissed the claim that the Cunard Line was negligent with the conclusion that the captain and members of the crew took every precaution justified by the then known facts, both before and after the vessel was torpedoed.

"It is of course, easy now," he said, "in the light of many later events added to preceding acts, to look back and say that the Cunard Line and its captain should have known that the German government would authorize or permit so shocking a breach of international law and so foul an offense, not only against an enemy, but as well against peaceful citizens of a then friendly nation. But the unexpected character of the act was best evidenced by the horror which it excited in the minds and hearts of the American people."

Judge Mayer declared that proof brought out in this investigation, which covered a year, is conclusive that the Lusitania was not and never had been armed, and that on the voyage on which she was sunk did not carry explosives.

**Master Justified in Sailing.**  
Discussing the warning advertisements published by the German command in New York newspapers on May 1, the day the Lusitania sailed, Judge Mayer said:

"It is perfectly plain that the master was fully justified in sailing on the appointed day from a neutral port with many neutral and non-combatant passengers, unless he and his company were willing to yield to an attempt of the German government to terrify British shipping."

"Few at that time would be likely to conceive the warning advertisements calling attention to more than the perils to be expected from quick disembarkation and the possible rigors of the sea after the proper safeguarding of the lives of passengers by at least full opportunity to take to the boats."

Judge Mayer held that the emergency equipment of the Lusitania was fully up to maritime requirements, and declared that while there was considerable confusion on the liner after she was torpedoed, the officers and the greater part of the crew acted with that matter-of-fact courage and fidelity to duty which are traditional with men of the sea."

## ULSTER LEADER BLAMED

T. P. O'CONNOR REPLIES TO SIR EDWARD CARSON.

Rebellion Movement Declared to Have Precipitated War by Misleading Germany.

LONDON, Aug. 25.—At the request of John Dillon, chairman of the Irish Nationalist party, T. P. O'Connor has sent to America a reply to the address forwarded to President Wilson by Sir Edward Carson, the Ulster leader and head of the war aims committee.

Mr. O'Connor complains in his new paper, declared that they would prefer the rule of the German Emperor to home rule and that he and his friends were supplied from Germany with 50,000 rifles, which they still hold for the purpose, now as before the war, of making war upon an act of the British Parliament.

Mr. O'Connor further charges that it was Sir Edward Carson's rebel movement which precipitated the war by creating in the German mind the misapprehension that England would be too embarrassed by the Ulster rebellion to enter the war. Mr. O'Connor contends that it was the action of Carson when holding up home rule and preaching the doctrine of revolution and accepting a place in the cabinet that transformed Ireland from enthusiastic support of the war to its present attitude of sullen detachment.

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## OFFICIAL CASUALTY LIST

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—One hundred and eighty-three Army casualties were given out today by the War Department. This brings the grand total for the Army to 21,146. The summary today showed 46 killed in action, 19 died of wounds, one died of accident or other cause, 33 wounded in action and 33 missing, including one prisoner.

### SUMMARY OF ARMY CASUALTIES TO DATE.

| DEATHS.                                | Wounded. | Missing. | Total. |
|----------------------------------------|----------|----------|--------|
| Killed in action.....                  | 4,226    | 46       | 4,272  |
| Died of wounds.....                    | 1,291    | 19       | 1,310  |
| Died of accident and other causes..... | 2,321    | 1        | 2,322  |
| Total deaths.....                      | 8,109    | 66       | 8,175  |
| Wounded.....                           | 1,100    | 1,100    | 2,200  |
| Missing, including prisoners.....      | 2,202    | 33       | 2,235  |
| Grand total.....                       | 10,940   | 183      | 11,123 |

Army casualties announced yesterday, including names of next of kin, of those from the Northwest, are:

### DIED OF WOUNDS.—3.

Private.  
WILKINSON, JAMES R.; T. M. Wilkin-son, South Yakima, Wash.  
WOLF, EDWARD J.; Mrs. E. J. Wolf, Seattle, Wash.  
FALLIN, GEORGE M.; J. J. Fallin, Can-yanville, Pa.

### WOUNDED SEVERELY.—2.

Private.  
CRULL, STANLEY J.; William J. Crull, Elk, Wash.  
MOON, CHARLES E.; Jack Moon, Ches-ter, Ida.

### MISSING IN ACTION.—3.

Private.  
FAGERUND, CEDOR J.; Mrs. Amanda Fagerund, Opa, Wash.  
VAUGHAN, RAYMOND; Mrs. Lottie Vaughan, Seattle, Wash.  
WORKMAN, SILAS V.; Mrs. Sarah Work- man, Leban, Wash.

The complete casualty list reported August 25 follows:

### KILLED IN ACTION.—46.

Major.  
ROUTON, ARTHUR E.; Trumansburg, N. Y.

Captain.  
BEAUDRY, FRED WILLIAM; Detroit, Mich.

Sergeant.  
NICKERSON, SIMON L.; Middleboro, Mass.

Corporal.  
KING, FELIX M.; Washington, Pa.  
REDFORD, JOHN; New Salem, N. D.  
ARMHURST, CHARLES R.; 236 Reamer street, Greensburg, Pa.

Bugler.  
MORRISON, WARD R.; Cashe, Mich.

Private.  
ADAMS, ERNEST S.; Malden, Mass.  
ARNETT, WYLLIE; Dale City, Pa.  
BARTLETT, WILLIAM; Kings Mountain, N. C.  
BENKMAN, WILLIAM; Grand Rapids, Mich.  
CHAPPELL, LEMUEL A.; Dawson Springs, Ky.  
DENDON, JOHN; Jackson, Mich.  
DOWNS, FRANK J.; Waterbury, Conn.  
GRIMMON, FRANK V.; New York City.  
LANDMAN, FRANKLIN A.; Baltimore, Md.  
LONG, HENRY J.; Clarkton, Mo.  
MCARTHY, JAMES J.; Malden, Mass.  
MARGOLIS, BEN; Detroit, Mich.  
STEPHENS, WYLLIE; Adamsville, Ga.  
BENDER, FRANCIS A.; Altoona, Pa.  
BRACKEN, MICHAEL H.; Anacosta, Mont.  
DIEKHUIS, WILLIAM ALOYSIUS; Jer-sey City, N. J.  
DIMON, ALLEN; Wales-Center, N. Y.  
DORO, EDWARD A.; Poyssippi, Wis.  
RECHVELLA, FRANK R.; Hollister, Cal.  
HARRISON, HARRY W.; Saterbury, Wis.  
FAYE, WALTER L.; Lone Butte, Ala.  
Canada.

Private.  
IDLETT, FRED; Marlow, Okla.  
KENNEDY, JOHN; Danville, N. C.  
KIRKEY, RAYMOND V.; Burlington, N. D.  
KOTE, BERNARD F.; St. Helena, Cal.  
KRAUSE, JOHN H.; Danvers, Ill.  
KUEHNLE, EDWARD H.; Oakland, Cal.  
LABSON, PETER; Adams, Cal.  
LEWISTON, CLAIRE O.; Spring Valley, Wis.  
McCUNE, ROBERT C.; Paducah, Ky.  
NORMAN, EARL P.; Wausa, Neb.  
PENNA, MARCUS; San Antonio, Tex.  
POWELL, ANTHONY; Walkersville, Butte, Mont.  
REICH, HERMAN H.; Bloomer, Wis.  
RICANUK, MICHAEL; Stoughton, Mass.  
SCHOCK, JACOB; Dawson, N. D.  
SKNIOWITZ, JOHN; Scranton, Pa.

### DIED OF WOUNDS.—19.

Corporal.  
AUGUSTINE, JOSEPH; Cankers, N. Y.  
DINN, CHARLES L.; Billings, Mont.  
WOLFE, LAWRENCE R.; Zion City, Ill.

Private.  
BULKA, EDGAR; Birmingham, Ill.  
DREMPY, JAMES A.; Orange, Wis.  
FRIEDMAN, DAVID; Unionville, Conn.  
FALLIN, GEORGE M.; Canyanville, Pa.  
GUILBEAU, ROMAIN L.; New Orleans, La.  
HOHENSEE, ALBERT C.; Fond du Lac, Wis.  
NAIL, THOMAS A.; Lowell, Ark.  
PILKERTON, JAMES A.; Mechanicsville, Md.  
STUCKY, ARTHUR; Gering, Neb.  
LIBRANIAK, STEVE ANDREW; Mari-etta, Wis.  
WATTS, HALL W.; Los Angeles, Cal.  
WILKINSON, JAMES R.; South Yakima, Wash.  
WOLFE, EDWARD J.; Seattle, Wash.  
ZADIG, CHARLES; Chicago.

Private.  
JOHNSON, REVEREND; Bottineau, N. D.  
LAWRENCE, PAUL N.; Danville, N. Y.

### DIED FROM ACCIDENT.—1.

Private.  
REITER, CHRISTIAN J.; Baltimore.

### WOUNDED SEVERELY.—46.

Corporal.  
DICKER, RAYMOND; Beech Creek, R. C.  
GLAZEBROOK, JOHN H.; Medford, Mass.  
GOLDMAN, NATHAN; New York City.  
KNOLL, FREDERICK; Milwaukee, Ind.  
POND, MAURICE W.; Lincoln, Me.  
ANDERSON, HARRY J.; Williamstown, Mass.  
MICHAELS, CARRIE EUGENE; Kansas City, Mo.  
NIELSEN, CLAUDE H.; Monroe City, Ind.  
RAY, HAYDEN O.; Moody, Mo.

Private.  
BERTRAM, WILLIAM F.; Marion, Wis.  
CRULL, STANLEY J.; Elk, Wash.  
CURTIN, MARTIN A.; Wappingers Falls, N. Y.  
FLAHERTY, TIMOTHY; Holyoke, Mass.  
GIPP, AUGUST; Milwaukee, Wis.  
HORN, REUBEN S.; Loganport, Ia.  
MACNEIL, CLARENCE A.; Gloucester, Mass.  
MAUTTE, HARRY DANIEL; Highwood, Conn.  
MOON, CHARLES E.; Chester, Ida.  
NEELSON, HARRY E.; Council Bluffs, Ia.  
ODUM, JOHN S.; Danis, Fla.  
PRATT, WILLIAM A.; Alexandria, Minn.  
REPPON, DOMINICK; Mildred, Pa.  
VANDYKE, JOSEPH C.; Alamo, Tenn.  
WALSH, FRANK S.; Framingham, Mass.  
RAYNES, MOND; Taylorville, N. C.  
BROTHERS, ALPH A.; Emmetsburg, Ia.

### BULLOCK, PATRICK L.; Cambridge, Mass.

Private.  
DOWNE, ROBERT; Brooksville, Ky.  
KILLEN, ROBERT; Rockford, Ill.  
LEMAIRE, SIDNEY; Abbotsville, La.  
LODI, VINCENT; Chicago.  
MORRISON, WILLIAM P.; Gray, Tex.  
OWEN, FRANK C.; Rochester, N. Y.  
SMITH, HERBERT C.; Robbins, Tenn.  
MORRIS, JESSE; Phoenix, Ariz.  
NORRIS, WILLIE B.; Brent, Okla.  
OLICH, CHARLES A.; Chicago.  
PLISS, ALFRED; Monroe, Wis.  
REID, ALLEN; Yale, Okla.  
REMAN, ANTON; Omaha, Neb.  
ROTHBART, SAMUEL; Chicago.  
SHARPE, ELMER C.; Frederickburg, Pa.  
SMITH, HUGH; Schuylkill Haven, Pa.  
SOBOLWAKI, JOHN; Guberna, Russia.  
SPREEMAN, JULIUS W.; Bonduel, Wis.

### WOUNDED, DEGREE UNDETERMINED.—36

Lieutenants.  
BAUMET, WILLIAM; New York City.  
TOLLS, JAMES PERRY; Omaha, Neb.  
CRANE, ARTHUR S.; New York, N. Y.  
FISHER, HAROLD; Sulland, N. J.

Sergeants.  
BAKER, EDGAR F.; Blairville, Pa.  
FINNER, ROBERT; Philadelphia.  
SMITH, A. C.; Philadelphia.

Corporals.  
BARKLEY, FRANK M.; Livermore, Pa.  
CONE, HUGH; Schuylkill Haven, Pa.  
SICKLES, JAMES M.; Sunnyvale, Pa.

Mechanics.  
CRUSAN, JOSE M.; Augusta, Ga.

## ALLIES DECLARE AIMS IN RUSSIA

Expulsion of Germans From Russian Territory Principal Object Set Forth.

## FRIENDSHIP IS ASSERTED

Suppression by Force of Arms of Brest-Litovsk Treaty and Regen-eration of Russian Consti-tuent Assembly Intended.

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 25.—Czechoslovak and anti-Bolshevik forces have re-occupied the town of Krasn on the river Volga, says a Moscow dispatch to the Weiser Zeitung, of Bremen. The Bolsheviks were forced to retreat after a day's fighting.

(By the Associated Press.)

ARCHANGEL, Russia, Aug. 22.—Of-ficial announcement issued today by the allied governments in the northern region of Russia denied the statement recently made by Lenin and Trotsky that Great Britain, France and the United States were enemies of Russia. The allied military action, the an-nouncement added, was aimed at the expulsion of the Germans from Russian territory and the suppression by force of arms of the Brest-Litovsk treaty. The statement follows:

"Lenin and Trotsky declared the British, French and Americans who dis-embarked at Archangel are brigands and they call upon the Russian prole-tariat to fight against them as enemies of Russia who attacked her without a declaration of war."

Allies Were Invited.

"We declare to all Russian citizens, for whom the welfare of Russia is dear, that this is not true. The British, French and Americans at Archangel are the allies of Russia. They were invited to make a landing here by the legiti-mate government and with the com-plete and unanimous agreement on the part of the population."

"The government of the northern region is composed of members of the constituent assembly, which was elected by the whole people of the northern border district. It comprises also rep-resentatives of the Zemstvos and mu-nicipalities elected by universal suf-frage."

Germans to Be Expelled.

"This government has been formed and was overturned by the illegitimate Bolshevik government before the de-cescent of the allies. It was formed on the initiative of the league for the re-generation of Russia, which reunites representatives of all political parties, recognizes the constituent assembly as the only rightful Russian government. The allies then were called to Russia by the only legitimate and repre-sentative authority for the purpose of military action in common, aiming at the expulsion of the Germans and the com-plete suppression by force of arms of the Brest-Litovsk treaty, traitorously signed by the Bolsheviks. But they were called on the distinctly specified con-dition that they were not to use them-selves in the internal affairs of the government of Russia."

TROTSKY SAYS ALLIES FALSIFY

German Agent Declares Siberian

Railway in No Danger.

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 25.—Leon Trots-ky in a proclamation published in the Krasnaya Gazette, August 23, char-acterizes the statements that the allied troops were landed in Siberia to protect the trans-Siberian railway as a lie, ac-cording to a dispatch received here from Berlin. The proclamation follows:

"To All: When in April preparations were being made for a Japanese land-ing in Vladivostok, the Japanese gen-eral staff informed the cabinet and the allies that danger threatened the Si-be-rian railway from German and Aus-trian prisoners. I thereupon sent Ameri-can staff officers from Moscow to the Si-be-rian railway, who were obli-ged officially to confirm that all statements regarding the railway being in danger were idle gossip. This fact is known to Ambassador Francis. Now that the intervention of the allies is an accomplished fact the American Government has supported the Japa-nese."

"According to the American state-ment the object of the intervention of the allies is to help the Czechoslovaks against risings of German and Aus-trian prisoners of war. This is a lie, just as was the Japanese statement regarding the menace to the Si-be-rian railway by the Germans."

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## SPAIN IS NEAR BREAK

German Press Admits Situa-tion Is Critical.

## HUNS CONCEDE NOTHING

Berlin Refuses to Yield Stand on

Submarine War; Castilians Ar-

ranging for Big Loan From

the United States.

LONDON, Aug. 25.—German news-papers say the situation between Spain and Germany is critical, but that Ger-many can make no concessions with re-gard to her submarine warfare, says a dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Copenhagen.

The Tagliche Rundschau admits the beginning of a conflict which may af-fect the positions of both Mexico and Argentina. The complaints of Spain mean an admission in favor of the en-terprise powers," says this newspaper, "and Spain's threat means a step away from the path of neutrality desired by the Spanish people. The Spanish note

must be considered by the German peo-ple as an unfriendly act."

The Lokal Anzeiger says that Spain must acknowledge the conditions which compelled Germany to resort to sub-marine warfare.

MADRID, Aug. 25.—El Liberal today announced that negotiations were pro-ceeding for a commercial loan between Spain and the United States.

"Spain," the newspaper says, "is open-ing a credit of 300,000,000 or 500,000,000 pesetas, the United States giving as a guarantee the signatures of American firms exporting cotton to Spain. With this credit the United States will be able to purchase in Spain some of the products necessary for its Army in France without the necessity of chang-ing dollars into pesetas and thus avoid-ing the reduction in exchange."

"Ambassador Willard had several in-terviews with the members of the Spanish government, and it is believed that the basis of agreement has been reached. The interest payable on the loan has been the subject of discussion."

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