

UNLDER ESCAPES LOSITANIA FATE BY QUICK WORK

Cunarder Orduna, With 227 Passengers, Including 21 Americans, Is Chased by German but Outmaneuvers

SUBMARINE FIRES AT ORDUNA SEVEN TIMES

Steamer Was Coming from Liverpool to the U. S. When Attacked.

New York, July 17.—(U. P.)—The giant Cunard liner Orduna, carrying 227 passengers, 21 of whom were Americans, only escaped a similar fate by the superb seamanship of her captain and his officers, according to her passengers. The vessel arrived here today. The Orduna was chased and without warning shelled by a German submarine 16 hours out of Liverpool, about 6 o'clock on the morning of Friday, July 16. Scores of passengers said the undamaged boat fired a torpedo at the fleeing liner. Probably the best account of the attack was given to the United Press tonight by Egon Marcus Rosenbaum, a Danish nobleman, who witnessed the whole affair from the upper deck. Captain Taylor and his officers, being also naval reserve officers, refused to discuss the matter in any way.

"There was absolutely no warning," said the baron. "The submarine simply slipped up on us and began action before we knew anything about it. I had rather half-way expected something would happen and had gone to the top deck to look around. The first intimation I had that anything was wrong was when I suddenly noticed a white streak about 25 yards astern of us. It was not, I think, a torpedo. No explosion followed the streak.

"The next thing I knew, the periscope of a submarine appeared off our starboard quarter, and within a few minutes four men busying themselves at the gun. She had only one.

"The Orduna, before we sighted the submarine, was making 15 knots and Captain Taylor immediately ordered full speed ahead. One of the officers calmly took out his watch as the periscope disappeared. It was about that time that the first shell whizzed across our decks. It was exactly eight minutes.

"The white streak, I think, was the submarine's escape trail."

Wilson Refuses to Comment on Orduna

Incident Intensifies New Factor in German-American Relations; President's Vacation Is Ended.

Washington, Vt., July 17.—(U. P.)—President Wilson was unofficially informed tonight of the attempt by a German submarine to sink the Cunard liner Orduna. He refused to say anything about it.

The incident intensified a new factor in the German situation by indicating that Germany does not intend to abandon her attacks on big passenger-carrying ships, it was stated at the summer white house. It was said that the president will await an official report from the ambassadors at London and Berlin. The reports will determine whether the Orduna incident, because of the presence of American passengers aboard, will be mentioned in the new American note now in the preliminary stages of formation. The president, it was learned tonight, expects to decide quickly upon this government's course of action in reply to the latest attack.

President Wilson spent the last day of his vacation outdoors. He will leave here tomorrow afternoon, arriving in Washington in time for the conference with Secretary Lansing Monday.

Rheims Bombarded by German Shells

Shells Fell Around Famous Cathedral; Civilians Killed; German Artillery Also Attacked.

MARYE WILL NOT RESIGN

Petrograd, July 17.—(U. P.)—American Ambassador Marye today denied a report that he intended to resign. He said he had heard nothing of the kind and that a cable dispatch from the United States.

Throat Is Cut



Leo M. Frank, celebrated convict, who was the victim of a murderous assault by a fellow prisoner at Milledgeville, Ga.

PRISONER CUTS THROAT OF LEO FRANK, ASLEEP

William Creen, Life Term, Attacks Slayer of Mary Phagan With Butcher Knife Cutting Jugular Vein.

CONDITION OF VICTIM SAID TO BE SERIOUS

Believed Parties in Sympathy With Relatives of Girl Slipped Knife in.

Milledgeville, Ga., July 18.—(Sunday)—(U. P.)—Leo M. Frank's throat was slashed last night by William Creen, aged 48, serving a life term for murder. Frank's left jugular vein was severed and he may die. He was attacked at 11:10 o'clock as he lay sleeping in the prison dormitory.

Creen, an elderly, home-made butcher knife, Creen, Frank and hundreds of other prisoners were in the dormitory on the second floor of the two-story building. They had returned home at the regular time. Guards were stationed at two entrances to the room, and the lights were turned down. Frank's cot was about 40 feet from one entrance. Creen's was four cots further along in the line.

No one saw Creen, but he was believed to have slipped out of his cot, crawled under the three between him and Frank, who was asleep on his right side.

Creen struck Frank, the man in the next cot gave the alarm. Guards sprang towards Creen. Prisoners leaped from their cots, and general pandemonium reigned. Before Creen could strike again, he was seized and the knife wrested from him. Frank sank back on his cot in a pool of blood.

Creen was rushed to Warden James E. Smith and is now in irons in a solitary cell in the basement of the dormitory building, which has not spoken a word since the assault.

Frank was lifted from his cot and taken to the hospital. Several physicians performed an operation immediately, stitching together the wound in Frank's throat. It took over two hours.

The United Press correspondent entered the room after the operation had been completed. Frank remained unconscious, how he felt, remained "pretty well," said Frank, smiling.

Dr. Compton later stated Frank had lost a lot of blood, and his body was in a very weak condition. While the left jugular vein is severed, the windpipe and spinal cord are intact. He has lost much blood, and is in a very weak condition. The condition resulting from long confinement, lessens his chances for recovery.

Blood Continues to Flow.

The knife which Creen used is said by Warden Smith to have been obtained from the farm Saturday afternoon, when Creen assisted in killing several hogs. Smith expressed the belief that Creen concealed the knife about his clothing and lay awake several hours awaiting his chance.

Creen has been at the farm about three weeks.

The prisoners are allowed the freedom of the floor until 8 o'clock and the lights are turned down promptly at 9 o'clock. After the hour of confinement is allowed to move without permission from a guard.

Attack Causes Excitement.

Excitement which followed the attack lasted for hours.

At 1:30 a. m. Frank was still on the operating table. Doctors had not yet decided whether to operate on the wound or to try to stop the flow of blood. They admitted that the patient's chance for recovery was narrowing. At 1:45 physicians completed the stitching and at that time they believed the operation would prove successful. They had joined the jugular vein, and Frank was then taken to the hospital.

Mrs. Frank is in Milledgeville, where she was stopping so as to be near her husband. She immediately started for the state prison farm when she learned of the attack on her husband.

Starving Mexicans Given Money, Food

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Washington, July 18.—(U. P.)—Governor Harris of Georgia had not been informed of the attack on Leo M. Frank at 2:10 a. m. and when told the details by the United Press declined to make any statement until he had received the official reports.

Ferns close to Thaw said tonight that he intends to issue a statement giving his reasons for suing the dancing girl when he reaches his home in Pittsburg. He will leave here tomorrow afternoon at 4:30 for Philadelphia, taking the 8:30 train for Pittsburg Monday morning.

Thaw was angry tonight over statements appearing in newspapers that he intended of going directly to his mother in Pittsburg. He says reporters a copy of a telegram he said he had received from his mother. It read: "Glad to know you are having the best and counterfeited constitutional sea air after stuffy city. All well here."

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Studying Map of New Park Area Around Mount Hood



Members of inspection party at Crown Point. Left to right—Chief Forester Henry S. Graves, Assistant Chief Forester E. A. Sherman, Representative C. N. McArthur, Mayor H. R. Albee, Engineer Samuel C. Lancaster, and C. C. Colt, president Chamber Commerce.

MURDERERS LEAVE BODY ON ALTAR STEPS OF CATHOLIC CHURCH

Spike Driven Into Head of L. A. Miller, Salesman—Girl Finds Remains.

Los Angeles, Cal., July 17.—(U. P.)—Murdered and spread out in the shape of a cross on the altar steps of St. Augustin's Catholic church, the body of L. A. Miller, Los Angeles salesman, was found by a little girl this afternoon.

Death was caused by a spike being driven into Miller's forehead. A small hole was discovered in the middle of his brow. The body was found in a room on the second floor of the church, which was used as a storage room for the church's supplies.

The man's clothing was carefully draped over the altar railing. No watch was found on the altar.

Entrance to the church had evidently been gained through the vestry room, adjoining the chancel. The outer door of the vestry was open. It gives direct entrance into a corridor, and a few paces from it police found marks indicating that Miller had either been killed there or stunned by a blow, and his body dragged into the church.

That a number of men participated in the crime is believed owing to the trampled condition of the earth around the vestry door. Several chairs had been placed near the inner door of the vestry, indicating that the murderers sat there and peered into the chancel.

Detectives are working on a theory that Miller was seized by a gang taken into the church, spread-eagled on the altar steps, gagged, and then killed. After the murder, the body was dragged into the church.

To find a possible motive for this sort of crime, the police are inquiring into Miller's past history.

Another theory is that Miller was killed for purposes of robbery and his body left on the altar steps by thugs actuated by a spirit of bravado.

The body was found by a young girl, Laura Miller, who was in the church, discovered the body when she went there to clean and sweep in preparation for Sunday's services. Miller had been dead for some time.

Uncle Sam Will Give City Park Twenty Square Miles Set Aside

Chief Forester Henry S. Graves announces that the city of Portland will be given by the national government the following important advantages:

- Fourteen thousand acre park for public use—more than 20 square miles.
- Immediate survey of 20 mile road completing connection of 170 mile loop about Mount Hood. Survey will cost \$2000 and will be made as soon as possible.
- Public camp sites are being cleared, especially on Eagle Creek.
- Forest service will plant several million young trout in Esquias Creek.
- Also: A spring of 40 acre tracts, aggregating two square miles, on both sides of Tanner creek leading south from Bonneville fish hatchery, in process of being patented by the state and will be available for public park use.

Noted Persons Are Portland Guests

National Figures in Political and Business Lines Are Here.

Fight for Warsaw On Near Przasnysz

Von Hindenburg Tries to Sweep Down on Polish Capital from North and Reconverts Russian Army.

Believes End of Coal Strike Near

President of South Wales Miners' Federation Hopes That Trouble Can Be Settled.

Newport, Wales, July 17.—(U. P.)—President James Winston of the South Wales Miners' Federation tonight declared he was hopeful that the great strike of Welsh coal miners, which threatens to cripple naval operations and the production of munitions, will be settled satisfactorily on Monday.

Winston, who returned early this evening from the conference with the government board of trade, said he believed the coal operators through the government would offer concessions which would permit the miners to return to work.

Attempts Jailbreak; Nearly Kills Trusty

Buzlar in Tacoma Jail Beats Joseph Yetter Over Head With Oak Club, Fracturing Skull; Steals Keys.

Tacoma, Wash., July 17.—Beating Joseph Yetter, trusty prisoner and inside turnkey, nearly to death with an oak club tonight, Charles Foster, serving time in the county jail for burglary, attempted a wholesale jail delivery. His plot was frustrated by Yetter, Jim Leek and Angus Kusick, a trusty. Yetter has a compound fracture of the skull.

"I'll kill you if you attempt to move," shouted Foster, walking into Yetter's room. Yetter struggled with Foster, who struck him several times over the head with an oak peavay handle, fracturing his skull in two places. Foster then shoved a bunch of rage in Yetter's mouth, bound his hands and feet and then tied the inert form to the bed. Foster stole from Yetter the cell keys and \$20 in cash. After the assault, Foster ran down the jail corridor, amidst the help of Fred Semple, was confined. Semple called to the inmates to follow. Foster opened the door and they ran down to the lower tanks, which he unlocked. The prisoners followed Foster and Semple to the faller's door.

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NATIONAL PARK AREA WILL BE JOINED TO CITY

Chief Forester Graves Says Word That Will Link Portland and Mount Hood and Connecting Loop to Be Built

Organized efforts led by the Oregon delegation to congress and backed by the Chamber of Commerce and city generally will be made to secure the 20-mile road through the Oregon National Park area which will connect the 20-mile connecting road so that it may be completed by this time next year.

The announcement by Chief United States Forester Henry S. Graves means that Portland will have the use of more park area than any other city in the United States.

It means that all these splendid monoliths and crags and canyons bordering the Columbia river highway which are all observers with their tremendous grandeur will last in perpetuity as a public playground and safe from the desecration of commercialism.

Had not the decision been made a strong and well planned but quiet effort to have a large part of the area opened to entry would probably have been successful. The highway which will connect the 20-mile connecting road to the city will be open hereafter to all.

Chief Shows District.

The excursion had been organized that the chief forester might see the Columbia river highway and the scenery it unfolds. It was arranged with the hope that, having seen his constituents of the proposed highway, approval some time in the future.

A lunch had been served under the trees with the crystal clear waters of the great rushing riverward but a few feet away.

A map had been prepared showing the proposed highway and the great loop road, and the features of the plan were explained informally by Jacob Kanler, chairman of the Chamber of Commerce. He was asked, "Has any one else anything to suggest?"

"I would like to say something," said Graves, "but I have nothing to say."

Then he announced that he had conferred with George H. Cecil, chief district forester, that the area immediately below the highway should be considered as public park property, with the added feature that since it will remain government control, as the Bull Run watershed, source of Portland's water supply, it will have government maintenance and care.

He added that funds were now available for the detail survey of the 20-mile road through the national forest to connect the Hood river valley and Barlow roads around the east and south bases of Mount Hood and that the survey would be made at once. It will involve an expenditure of \$60,000.

Authority both to give use of the park to the public and to build the road when the money is secured rests now in the department and there are no more things to be done.

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