

CUNARDER FELTRIA IS VICTIM OF SUBMARINE; MISSING NUMBER 53

Attack, According to Travelers From Europe, Occurred May 5, Without Warning.

TWO AMERICANS ON LIST

British Steamer Maine Sunk by U-boat, All Rescued; British Steamer Carfield Sunk, Three Lost.

New York, May 25.—(U. P.)—Loss of the Cunarder liner Feltria, with at least two colored American firemen in the 53 missing, was reported by travelers from Europe who were in New York today.

The Feltria was sunk May 5, they said, being the victim of an unwarned torpedo attack by a submarine. The vessel sank in 10 minutes. Twenty of those aboard were rescued by an admiralty yacht on May 6. The captain, purser and other officers of the Feltria were reported among the missing.

The travelers also reported the sinking of the British steamer Maine, under American charter and flying the American flag. She was armed. The Maine was sunk by a torpedo without warning. All aboard were rescued, including two Americans, one named Smith, a second engineer, and another named Homer Buckley.

The same sources were authority for the news of the sinking of the British steamer Corfield by shellfire and torpedo attack. Harvey Blackwell, an American negro, was a survivor. Three of the crew were lost, including a white American sailor.

The Maine was a 2681 ton steamer, owned by the Atlantic Transport line and registered at Liverpool.

Report of Sinking Confirmed.

New York, May 25.—(I. N. S.)—Confirmation of the reported sinking of the Cunarder liner Feltria was made today at the local offices of the British line. They were not advised where the sinking occurred. She was a vessel of 6000 tons with accommodations for 50 saloon passengers.

Swedish Steamers Captured.

Petrograd, May 25.—(I. N. S.)—Four Swedish steamers bound for Russia with general cargoes have been captured by the Germans. It was officially announced today. Sea traffic between Swedish and Finnish ports has been suspended.

Head of Opponents Of Draft Arrested

Dallas, Texas, May 25.—(U. P.)—G. T. Bryant, said to be president of the Farmers & Laborers Protective association, has been arrested at Anson, Texas, upon an indictment charging conspiracy to oppose by force the officers and agents of the United States' new army.

Word reached here to this effect today. He is being brought to Dallas.

Canadian Slackers Face Heavy Penalty

Ottawa, Ont., May 25.—(U. P.)—A fine of \$2500 or five years in prison, or both, is what awaits "any male Canadian between the ages of 18 and 45" who attempts to leave Canada to avoid military service, according to a government order in council issued today.

Mrs. J. W. Meredith Dies at Salem Home

Salem, Or., May 25.—Mrs. J. W. Meredith, for 52 years a resident of Salem, died Thursday morning at her home in Salem. She would have been 76 years old in July. She is survived by her husband, who for many years practiced dentistry in Salem, and a son, Frank Meredith, and a daughter, Mrs. E. B. Lockhart of Stayton. Frank Meredith for a number of years was secretary of the Oregon state fair and is now secretary of the fair at North Yakima, Wash. Funeral arrangements will not be made until after Mr. Meredith's arrival.

ROBERT TREAT PLATT NEW NAME ON THE LIST OF POSSIBILITIES

Charles L. McNary, However, Still Looked Upon as Probable Successor of Lane.

Salem, Or., May 25.—The great flood of telegrams and telephone calls which swept into the governor's office yesterday, carrying endorsements of various aspirants for the appointment to the United States senatorship to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Senator Harry Lane, has subsided today.

Governor Withycombe is out of town, having gone to Corvallis for the day, and no further announcement or word relating to the situation has been given out by him.

Platt Now Mentioned.

A name which is being urged upon the governor for appointment and which has not heretofore been mentioned is that of Robert Treat Platt, well-known Portland lawyer. Indorsements of him have reached the governor from a number of Portland business men.

The most vigorous campaign, probably, is being made in behalf of former Senator Charles W. Fulton. A stream of telegrams urging his appointment poured into the governor's office all day yesterday.

Many farmers are urging the appointment of W. K. Newell of Gaston. But the most popular speculation about the capital remains Charles L. McNary of Salem, chairman of the Republican state central committee.

Others Are Named.

Among others whose claims have been urged upon the governor are W. B. Ayer, Portland; R. A. Booth, Eugene; Judge Henry E. McGinn, Portland; Theodore Wilcox, Portland; Gus Moser, Portland, who was here in person yesterday to urge his own appointment; Ralph E. Williams, Portland, Republican national committeeman for Oregon; Congressman W. C. Hawley, Congressman C. N. McArthur, Congressman N. J. Sinnott; A. C. Marsters, Roseburg; J. E. Anderson, The Dalles; S. B. Huston, Portland; Ben Selling, Portland; A. E. Clark, Portland; W. T. Vinton, McMinnville; Edgar B. Piper, Portland; Judge Wallace McCamant, Portland.

The W. C. T. U. and prohibition forces are urging the appointment of J. E. Anderson of The Dalles.

Hollander Named To Succeed Hoover

Rotterdam, May 25.—(I. N. S.)—Jonkheer Charles Ruys de Beerenbroek, a member of the chamber of deputies, has been selected to head the Belgian relief commission in succession to Herbert C. Hoover, it was announced today.

BRITISH, BY SURPRISE ATTACK, WIN TRENCH SECTION NEAR LOOS

Strong Counter-Attack at Fontaine Les Croiselles by Germans Is Repulsed.

London, May 25.—(I. N. S.)—The capture of a German trench section in the Loos sector was reported by the British war office today.

There was fighting at two points during the night.

At Fontaine Les Croiselles the Germans delivered a strong counter-attack in an effort to win back some of the ground lost by them in that region last week, but it was repulsed.

Near Loos, which is northeast of Lens, the British took the Germans by surprise, sweeping them from a section of trenches before they could recover.

Elsewhere on the Arras front there was nothing to report, the official statement said.

Along the French Front.

Paris, May 25.—(I. N. S.)—Attack and counter-attack marked the progress of the fighting along the French front last night.

On the Aisne river the French again surged forward, capturing part of Chevreux wood, the war office announced today.

The German trenches and dugouts were demolished by the fire of the heavy French artillery before the infantry charged. The ruined German works were filled with corpses.

On the northern end of the Valenciennes plateau and in the Courcy sector the Germans made strong counter-attacks.

Plots Against India Being Investigated

San Francisco, May 25.—(U. P.)—Names of prominent San Franciscans have been linked with the federal grand jury investigation of plots centering here to overthrow British rule in India, which is in progress today. Robert Capelle, agent of the North German Lloyd Steamship company, is accused of having acted as financial agent for Germany in backing the Hindu plots, while Franz Bopp, former German consul, former Vice Consul Baron von Schack, lieutenant Wilhelm von Brincken and Von Brincken's secretary, Charles Lattendorf, are said to be involved.

Firebugs Suspected Of Big Atlanta Fire

Atlanta, Ga., May 25.—(I. N. S.)—Evidence that incendiaries are at work in Atlanta lead the authorities to believe that the \$3,500,000 fire of early this week was started by firebugs.

Two dwellings were discovered ablaze and in each case kerosene had been sprinkled over the furniture. Two men were seen loitering in the vicinity of both fires shortly before the blazes were discovered.

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PORT DISCOVERY TRIP WILL TAKE EXCURSION TO HARBOR ENTRANCE

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completed, at the mouth of the Columbia river, and the fine new water terminal system at Astoria.

An unusually low rate was obtained. The cost of the more than 400 mile round trip will be only \$1 for each excursionist. Lunch will be served at slight extra cost.

The boat's capacity is 350, but attendance will be limited to 250 in order to insure the comfort of the excursionists. Reservations will be made in the order of application, at the Chamber of Commerce, Oregon building; the Ad club offices, Selling building; or the Progressive Business Men's club, at the office of the president, Earl A. Clark, in the Concord building.

Men and Women Invited.

Both men and women are invited and every arrangement will be made so that the trip, in addition to its patriotic significance, will be a delightful excursion.

Due to the fact that only 250 can go and to expectation that many more will want to join the "port discovery trip," the committee in charge of the arrangements ruled yesterday that those who make reservations must take their tickets at the same time. Tickets were issued today.

The principal purpose of the excursion will be to celebrate the successful completion of the north jetty. The finishing of the north jetty involves also the completion of the government's great \$15,000,000 jetty engineering feat at the mouth of the Columbia. By means of the jetties, supplemented by dredging, the channel already has been deepened to 40 feet at low water. A harbor entrance has been created which is equalled by only one other port in the United States—New York.

Terminal Needs Shown.

The excursionists will learn by first-hand inspection the commercial importance of the 40-foot harbor entrance, the 30-foot channel from Portland to the sea, and the advantage of having the only fresh water harbor on the Pacific coast. But they will also learn that no chain is stronger than its weakest link, and that without cargo-handling facilities and vessels the port cannot take its proper place as the biggest asset in the life of Portland. Thus will be indicated the vital need of the freight and grain terminal which is the measure on the municipal ballot for vote June 4, and the ship subsidy measure which is on the special state election ballot.

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Paper Says Fleets Bagged 28 U-Boats

New York, May 25.—(I. N. S.)—Twenty-eight German submarines were bagged last week by American and British fleets combing the barred zone about England, according to a Washington special dispatch printed by the Evening World Thursday afternoon.

During the same period, says the dispatch, only 27 vessels fell prey to the U-boats.

Department Has No Reports.

Washington, May 25.—(I. N. S.)—At the navy department this morning it was said the department "has no reports of any submarines captured."

ROME IS WILD OVER SUCCESS OF TROOPS ON AUSTRIAN FRONT

Demonstration Follows Capture of 9000 Prisoners in Thursday's Battle.

Rome, May 25.—(U. P.)—Rome is delirious with joy over the success of her troops in the nation's greatest blow of the war.

Special editions of the newspapers, which told of the 9000 prisoners taken in yesterday's brilliant advance, were issued just as great crowds assembled in the streets last night to celebrate the second anniversary of Italy's entrance into the war.

They touched off a popular demonstration that surpassed anything of the kind seen in Rome since Italy first cast her lot with the allies. Crowds paraded singing, shouting and cheering for the Italian heroes and the allies as well.

Minister Bissolati, just back from the front, told the United Press today that General Cadorna's men were performing prodigies of valor.

"The struggle was magnificent," he said. "I personally witnessed the taking of Mount Cucco and the Bodice fighting. The pluck and dash of our troops was unprecedented, the fact that they were fighting not only for territorial rights, but for the achievement of a human ideal giving them a ten-fold determination for victory."

The anti-war forces in the Socialist party had apparently shrunk today to a negligible quantity, but government officials said such anti-war activity was a despicable phenomenon on which they were keeping close watch.

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RIGGIN CONFESSION IS CHECKING SOMEWHAT CLOSELY IN YAMHILL

Some Discrepances Found; Residents Inclined to Believe Tale Is True.

McMinnville, Or., May 25.—Attorney James E. Burdett, one of the attorneys of William Branson and Mrs. W. M. Booth, now in state's prison for the murder of William R. Booth, who has been checking up William R. Riggin's confession that he killed Booth, says that Riggin hired the pony, which he described in his confession, from Art White, who at that time ran a feed shed, and that he remembers that the man did not return the pony, but that the pony came to the barn and was found in its own stall.

Burdett has also found that Riggin stayed with four hunters on the Track river near the summit. They were William Wheeler of Portland, Or., R. R. Thompson, Fay Stallcoppe, and Robert Kennedy, near Carlton.

Thompson Recalls Case.

R. R. Thompson, who is a son of L. C. Thompson, one of Yamhill county's well-known farmers, says that Riggin came to their camp at about dark and wanted to stay all night with them.

They noticed, Thompson says, that Riggin was nervous and excited, and he said to the boys, "They are after me." Some one inquired "Who?" and Riggin replied, "Some fellows down there." He requested them to tell anyone who came by that he was not there, and he had with him at that time a rifle and a revolver.

Some one of the boys stood guard all night, as Thompson says they were afraid to go to sleep with Riggin in camp acting as he was, and that in the night Riggin would wake up and get hold of his gun or revolver, look them over and go back to sleep.

Riggin left the next morning and went on down the Trank river. People here who are acquainted with the pass say the way he described as going across the mountain is the most direct route for one to take from here going south.

More Believe Story. Some here did not at first give much credit to his confession, but sentiment has changed and has swept almost to the other side and the general belief now is that he is telling the truth. So far as his confession has been checked up it has been found to be true and after receiving the news of finding the gun this morning, most people now believe it to be true.

Attorney Burdett says that the only discrepancy he can see so far between Riggin's statement and the proof at

Warden Is Undecided.

Warden Murphy of the state penitentiary returned Thursday from Washington and Tillamook counties, where he had been checking up the confession of William R. Riggin.

Warden Murphy said, however, his investigation has not been completed, and he will not have time to complete it until June. He said that Riggin went to Tillamook and without the least hesitation found the gun with which he declared he shot Booth.

In fact, the warden said that the Tillamook end of Riggin's confession checks up satisfactorily, but so far he has not had time to check up the Williamina end, which is the important part.

It has to be established that Riggin was in the vicinity of the crime on the day of the murder, pointed out the warden, and so far that has not been done.

Interned Steamer Arrives for Repairs

San Francisco, May 25.—(U. P.)—The former German steamer Holstein, which was seized at Honolulu when war was declared between the United States and Germany, arrived in the United States today for repairs. She will be refitted and put in service as soon as possible.

Spinnach stems contain 46 per cent of cellulose, according to a French horticulturist, who claims to have made writing paper from them.

TREAT ALIENS FAIRLY IN EVERY WAY, ASKS PRESIDENT IN APPEAL

Employers Should Not Discharge Germans Who Are Loyal, Says Statement.

Washington, May 25.—(I. N. S.)—President Wilson is determined that unnaturalized Germans in this country shall not be molested or discriminated against so long as they mind their own business and don't show antagonism to the American government's war policy. The following appeal to the public to treat them fairly was issued by the government's official press bureau, the committee on public information:

"It has been brought to the attention of the government that some large employers are dismissing alien laborers who have not completed their naturalization. Such doubtful zeal is contrary to the spirit of the president's proclamation of April 6, which definitely promises to the law-abiding aliens freedom to pursue their occupations."

"The justness of our war measures should be matched by the fairness with which we treat in our private relations the aliens who live among us in loyalty to our ideals. Many, through neglect, have not completed the formal processes of acquiring citizenship. Employers who make this the basis of discharging them will create dissension where none now exists. It is the part of sanity and national good sense to avoid any implications of unjust persecution."

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