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MONSTER UNDERSEA BOAT SANK VESSEL CONTAINING MULES

Submarine at Least 300 Feet Long Declare Survivors—Steamship Armenian Tried to Escape.

THRILLING STORY IS TOLD

Captain Ordered Full Speed Ahead As Soon as Enemy Was Sighted But Despite Efforts to Get Away, Submarine Proves Too Fleet and Soon Overtakes Steamship.

AVONMOUTH, England, July 1.—A monster submarine, larger than any heretofore seen in British waters, torpedoed and sank the steamship Armenian. The vessel which was sent to the bottom with a cargo of mules and a loss of 29 lives, including about 20 Americans, was the victim of an undersea boat at least 300 feet long according to survivors. A thrilling story of the chase, attack and struggles of the crew and muleteers in the water was told by those who were saved. It was confirmed that the Armenian endeavored to escape and was shelled by the submarine which was identified as the U-38. "The submarine was at least 300 feet long," said H. Benton of Cambridge, one of the survivors. "It had a big roomy deck on which several guns were mounted. We were coming into Bristol channel when we spied the submarine. Captain Trickey ordered full speed ahead and the Armenian began to zig zag in an effort to evade the torpedo. We had the German guessing for 20 minutes, but she was too speedy for us. I was standing near the wheel house when the submarine began firing. This was not expected. We crowded around the deckhouse, watching the chase, when a shell ripped into the crew and blew some of the men into the water. We picked up the wounded as best we could in our haste to cover, but four died. With the shelling going on and as it was evident we could not get away, the captain brought the Armenian to the submarine came alongside and the commander yelled that we be given time to take to the boats. While we were pulling away, two torpedoes and several shots were fired at the Armenian and with a terrific explosion she plunged down, stern first. Then we rowed and drifted about in the boats until we landed."

MODERN BLUEBEARD FOUND GUILTY OF KILLING WIVES

DEATH SENTENCE IS IMPOSED AT CLOSE OF TRIAL IN LONDON.

LONDON, July 1.—George Joseph Smith, the "modern Bluebeard" was found guilty of murder as a result of the death of three of his six wives. All drowned in a bathtub. The death sentence was imposed. As the case was given to the jury Smith jumped to his feet and denounced Justice Scrutton, whose charge he declared to be unfair. "You have tried to hang me," Smith shouted. "You can't hang me for murder. I've done no murder. This is a disgrace in a Christian country."

GOVERNOR GRANTS REPRIEVE TO BECKER UNTIL JULY 26

ALBANY, N. Y., July 1.—Governor Whitman has reprieved Becker until July 26. After a conference with the governor, Attorney Manton for Becker said that aside from the reprieve, Whitman would not interfere with carrying out the death sentence.

Most of Local Businessmen to Close Stores on July 5

Most of Pendleton's business houses will close on Monday, July 5, all day, to give their employees a holiday and permit them to attend Independence Day celebrations if they so choose. The butcher shops will remain open until noon to permit patrons to buy their meats for the day and it is probable the barber shops will not close at all. All of the proprietors but one signed the agreement but the one refusal will doubtless prompt all others to remain open. The following stores have signed the agreement: The Alexander Department Store, The Peoples Ware-

LOST VESSEL USED AS TRANSPORT WAS MARK FOR ATTACK

Armenian Engaged in "Admiralty Business" According to Report Submitted by Ambassador Page.

CONTROVERSY ELIMINATED

Danger of Added Difficulties Between the United States and Germany Is Not Possible Owing to Nature of the Business in Which Steamship Was Engaged.

WASHINGTON, July 1.—Ambassador Page notified the state department that the British admiralty had informed him the Armenian was engaged in "admiralty business." The report is regarded as placing the Armenian definitely in the class of a transport, subject to the rules of war and eliminating the possibility of a controversy between the United States and Germany as to the loss of American lives. It was the admiralty's understanding, Page said, that 21 of the Armenian's crew were lost. The ambassador's report did not specify, but assumed that most of them were Americans. The placing of a claim for indemnity is not wholly out of the question but that such action will be taken is extremely doubtful, as the vessel was engaged in the business of a belligerent.

GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL WILL EXAMINE ALKALI DEPOSITS

D. F. HEWETT OF GEOLOGICAL SURVEY TO INVESTIGATE BEDS AT NOLIN.

For the purpose of examining the alkali deposits in the vicinity of Nolin, D. F. Hewett of the U. S. geological survey arrived in Pendleton this morning and left by auto for Nolin. His visit, he states, will be simply to determine the nature and quantity of the deposits in order that his department may have the information at hand. He came here from Sumpter and Baker where he made similar investigations. The department receives so many inquiries about these deposits, he states, that he was instructed to come here and secure some accurate information. For several years past, there have been reports that Umatilla county alkali was valuable for use in the manufacture of soaps and soap powders and some shipments have been made to eastern points. A soap factory at Linton, Ore., is using Umatilla county alkali and shipments are made to it regularly. The company owning this factory has almost secured a monopoly on the alkali deposits in this county, having some time ago entered into contracts with the owners whereby the company was to pay them a certain sum each year regardless of whether any of the alkali was removed. Some farmers under this arrangement are receiving payments each year though the alkali on their places has not been touched. A good deal, however, has been shipped out of the Nolin country. William Rahe is representing the soap factory in this county.

Tornado Kills Three.

KANSAS CITY, July 1.—Three were killed in a tornado in southern Kansas and northern Oklahoma. Deaths are reported from Ottawa county, Oklahoma, near McCune and at Muscota, Kansas. Crops and property were severely damaged.

War on Rats Planned.

PORTLAND, Ore., July 1.—That Portland is doing all in its power to eradicate rats is the statement of City Health Officer Marcellus, who has conferred with Dr. Rupert Blue, surgeon general of the United States health service, who has made a study of rat conditions along the Pacific. Dr. Marcellus says much good work has been done locally, but much remains to be done when funds become available.

ENGLISH SUFFER IMMENSE LOSSES AT DARDANELLES

LONDON, July 1.—British losses at the Dardanelles to May 31 are 35,635 dead, wounded and missing, Asquith announced. He said 7422 are known to have been killed.

Man Who Will Deliver Note Here



Two Views of Count von Bernstorff.

The reply of Germany to the American rejoinder over submarine warfare is expected this week and will be delivered to the president here by the German ambassador, Count von Bernstorff. The reply will probably be made public on Saturday.

BRITISH SHIPS MAKE RAID ON COAST OF ASIA MINOR

TOWN IS BOMBARDED AND TELEGRAPH STATION AND HOUSES WRECKED.

ATHENS, July 1.—A British cruiser and destroyer raided the Asia Minor coast Tuesday, sinking several Turkish sailing vessels and a steamship, according to dispatches. The telegraph station and several houses at Asanof were destroyed.

EVELYN THAW REFUSES TO TESTIFY AT SANITY TRIAL

DECLARES SHE IS NOT ABLE TO GO TO NEW YORK TO APPEAR IN CASE.

MALONE, N. Y., July 1.—Evelyn Thaw refused to testify at the sanity trial of Harry Thaw. She told the process server she would not go to New York, saying she was too weak to make the trip and stand the ordeal as a witness. "I will send a physician's certificate to the court showing my condition is such that I cannot appear," she said.

CONDITIONS IN CAPITAL OF MEXICO ARE GROWING WORSE

FOREIGNERS ARE IN DANGER, ACCORDING TO REPORT OF CONSUL CANADA.

WASHINGTON, July 1.—Conditions in Mexico City, already regarded as extremely menacing to foreigners, are growing worse, Consul Canada at Vera Cruz informed the state department. His despatch follows a report forwarded last night which stated rioting and looting were in progress in the capital.

WHEAT IS AGAIN ABOVE DOLLAR MARK; PORTLAND CLUB QUOTATIONS NOW \$1

PORTLAND, Ore., July 1.—(Special)—An advance of four cents over yesterday's bid price for club and three cents over previous offerings for bluestem featured the wheat market today. Today the bid prices were club, \$1.00; bluestem, \$1.03.

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CHICAGO, July 1.—(Special)—At the close of the market today the following quotations prevailed: July \$1.07 1-4; Sept. \$1.02 1-2; Dec. \$1.05 5-8.

CROWN PRINCE FORGED TO RETIRE FROM VERDUN LINE

French Troops are Victorious North of Arras Where Germans Attempt Smashing Counter-Attacks.

GAINS ARE MADE IN ALSACE

Soldiers of Kaiser are Repulsed—French Offensive Continues—Heavy Artillery Fire Features Successful Dash Against Foe—Crown Prince Army is Retreating.

PARIS, July 1.—The army of the German Crown Prince has been beaten and has retired with heavy losses after heavy attacks about Verdun. It was officially announced.

Intending to counter-act the French offensive north of Arras the forces of the Crown Prince delivered strong assaults against the French positions. They were met with a heavy artillery fire and forced back after their ranks were torn by the French guns.

East of Binarville, on the ridge east of Metzeral and in Alsace the Germans have been repulsed.

O-W Joins City in Making July 12 Big Day of Celebration

SPECIAL RATES TO BE IN EFFECT WHEN LIBERTY BELL VISITS HERE.

The O.-W. R. & N. Co. is joining with the city in its plans to make "Liberty Bell Day," July 12, a day of celebration. Yesterday evening Agent T. F. O'Brien announced that special rates of one and one third fare will be granted from Athens, Pilot Rock, Umatilla and Meacham and all intermediate points. Announcement was also made that a steam train will be substituted for the motor car from the west end and that both this train and No. 2 going from here to Walla Walla, will be held until after the Liberty Bell special has gone.

HOT WINDS LAST TWO DAYS SAID TO DAMAGE THE WHEAT

GRAIN AT THIS TIME NOT IN CONDITION TO WITHSTAND THEM, REPORTED.

More damage is being done to the wheat crop of the county by the hot winds of the past two days, according to reports brought into the city. Yesterday the breezes were particularly hot and the grain not in the best condition to withstand them. Reports from the south end of the county state that the winds in the vicinity yesterday were so hot that many ranchers were forced to suspend work for several hours during the afternoon. The grain wilted perceptibly one farmer states. On the reservation hot winds also blew and some damage was done to wheat there. Today is very similar to yesterday and additional damage is expected. Coming on top of the damage done by recent cold and hot winds, some authorities declare the crop has been injured 25 per cent. Many of the older farmers declare the present damage is just what might have been suspected from the heavy late rains. Such rains cause the grain to grow rankly and to root shallowly, leaving it ill prepared to withstand the dry, hot spell.

NEWS SUMMARY

General. Monster submarine sank the Armenian. Lost steamship Armenian was used as transport and therefore subject to attack. Eleven Americans lost when Armenian is sunk. Russians form new line to repulse advance of the Austro-Germans. Army of the German crown prince is defeated by the French.

Local. Paving of Alta and other streets goes through; South Main petition filed. Government geologist here examining alkali deposits. Hot winds doing more damage to grain crop. Railroad grants reduced rates for Liberty Bell celebration.

RUSSIANS FORM ON NEW FRONT ALONG LINE OF RETREAT

Slavs Preparing to Engage Austro-German Forces in Decisive Battle on Galician Fields.

ENEMY THUS FAR REPULSED

Petrograd Statement Declares Tensions Suffer Heavily in Attempt to Break Through New Defensive—Naval Engagement in Baltic Ends in German Withdrawal.

PETROGRAD, July 1.—The Russians have halted in their retreat in Galicia. Forming a new line along the Bug and Galia Lipa rivers, the Slavs are now preparing to engage the Austro-German forces in a decisive battle. Attempts of the enemy to force the line have been repulsed with heavy losses. This was clearly indicated in an official statement which declared that east and southeast of Lemberg, where the retreat had been general, the Russians now not only are blocking the Austro-German advance, but are smashing the enemy's line by counter attacks. North and northeast of the Galician capital the Slavs are retiring before superior numbers. One battleship and four light cruisers and several torpedo boats appeared off Windau. Opening fire at close quarters the enemy did considerable damage. A Russian torpedo boat flotilla then engaged the Germans, damaging the enemy ships and forcing them to retire.

PETROGRAD, July 1.—A German torpedo boat struck a mine and sunk in the Baltic off Windau, Monday, when Russian vessels engaged the enemy ships endeavoring to land troops for an expedition against Riga. It was officially announced. The German ships turned back.

GREECE IS BELIEVED TO BE ABOUT TO ENTER STRUGGLE

DEPUTIES PLEDGE THEMSELVES TO SUPPORT WAR PROGRAM OF PREMIER.

ATHENS, July 1.—The possible entrance of Greece into the war appeared nearer when Premier Venizelos announced 184 deputies had pledged their support to any program he advocates. This means the "war party" will have a topheavy majority when Parliament convenes July 20.

Ordinance Providing for Paving 23 Blocks Passed

The passage of the ordinance for the 23 blocks of pavement in the Alta, Chestnut, Garden, Willow, Webb and Water street district, the introduction of a petition asking for the paving of the South Main street hill and decision to experiment with all on Bluff street constituted the principal business before the city council last evening.

Contrary to expectations, no remonstrance was filed against the proposal to pave Alta street from Main to Chestnut, Chestnut from Alta to Webb, Garden from Railroad to Water, Railroad from Main to Willow and Willow from Railroad to Webb. The passage of the ordinance represents the culmination of a long campaign to secure the paving of West Alta, three previous attempts having failed.

The petition presented by property owners on the south hill asking for the paving of that street from the north line of Bluff to the south line of High, a distance of two blocks. The petition for a strip of gravel blutlicht pavement 16 feet wide, the intention being to have a macadam roadway on each side of the pavement in order to make wagon traffic up the hill easy in wet weather. A large percentage of the property affected was represented on the petition and it is doubtful whether a remonstrance will be attempted. The petition is now in the hands of the street committee.

Bluff street, west of Main, having been graded and rolled, Acting Mayor Dyer proposed that the city apply oil to it as an experiment in keeping down the dust. Judge Marsh has agreed to let the city use the county's oil tank and also to furnish the city oil at cost. The expense will be light, Mayor Dyer pointed out, and his recommendation met with unanimous approval.

The council instructed the city recorder to advertise for bids for the construction of a sidewalk along the Joe Conley property on Thompson street. Councilman Cole also suggested that the sidewalk to the high school up the south side of Tustin street should be put in at once and this suggestion will be acted upon. The matter of building sidewalks on West High street, where only plank walks now are, was taken up last evening also. A. J. Owen complained about the condition of the walk on Thompson street from the railroad to the foot of the hill and Chairman Cole promised that the matter would be attended to.

G. I. La Dow's request for permission to install a gasoline tank at his place of business was referred to the fire committee. The request of City Attorney Carter for a two-weeks' leave of absence was granted.

11 AMERICANS ARE LOST WHEN VESSEL ARMENIAN IS SUNK

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INVESTIGATION TO BE MADE

United States Has Ordered Probe into Case to Determine Exact Details of the Sinking—30 All Told Loss Lives—Bodies of Americans Will Be Returned Here.

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British Steamer Sunk. LONDON, July 1.—The British steamer Thistlebank was sunk off Fastnet by a German submarine. Several of the crew landed at Cork.

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