

GERMAN PRIZES

Some of the Inhuman Atrocities Committed by U-Boat Captains in the Atlantic

Here is a part of the story of an interview with Wesley Frost, for some years U. S. consul at Queenstown, Ireland, a port to which more of our people killed and thrown into the sea by German submarines have been brought than to any other:

"The submarine warfare grows more barbarous every day. It has now reached the plane of deliberate murder for every ship sunk and will so continue to the end. It is not the fault of the Germans that every torpedo does not produce a Lutinian massacre.

"The German guilt is double," said Frost today. "In the first place, no civilized government would have resorted to such methods, even when it was possible to sink ships occasionally without murdering non-combatants. Now that the arming of merchant ships and the effectiveness of the patrols makes it impossible for the submarines to risk giving warning, they would drop it if they were white."

"Now that the submarines have been driven to attack ships submerged—using the torpedo almost exclusively—the murder toll is bound to grow. Most ships when struck by a torpedo go down in two or three minutes, which gives no opportunity of escape to those below decks. Recent sinkings which came under his observation since the beginning of the ruthless warfare show this conclusively.

"A freighter loaded with iron ore and conveyed by a destroyer went down in two minutes. Eighteen of her crew of 26 were drowned. Another sunk in two minutes after being struck. She was hit in daylight, but the submarine was not seen. Twenty-eight of her crew of 32 perished. The Abosso sank in three minutes and 30 women and children died. Sinkings of this sort from now on will be the rule, not the exception.

"Only the largest passenger ships will remain afloat long enough to launch the boats and get off the crew and passengers; and these will not float so long if struck in vital spots by more than one torpedo.

"Submarines are now so fearful of exposing themselves to the deck guns of slowly sinking ships that they seldom come up to question the escaping crews of passenger ships. Out of six passenger ship sinkings investigated, this happened in only one case, that of the Laconia, which was sunk near midnight.

"Hideous as this assassination from ambush is, it does not equal the wanton crimes committed in the days before 'ruthless' warfare—when the submarines came to the surface and attacked with gunfire.

"The warning given in these cases was simply the beginning of the attack and sailors were often killed by the 'warning shots.' This sort of warning was given only to save the expensive torpedoes—worth \$7,000 apiece—of which a submarine can carry only a few. When the ship gave signs of surrender, the firing generally stopped and a boarding party from the submarine destroyed her with bombs.

"In the case of the Cairnball, a British freighter with a crew of 16 men, five of whom were Americans, the Germans deliberately gutted the lifeboats, took the provisions which the men had placed in the boat, and threw them into the sea, emptied the water keg of fresh water and, to make their work complete, filled it with salt water. The boat's sails were taken off and that was practically the only hope of getting to land if the wind were favorable. She was attacked 150 miles out to sea.

"While the Germans were indulging in these pranks with the lifeboat, a bombing party was wrecking the ship and the men were kept standing on the deck of the submarine. The German officers searched them. Most of them had little kitty bags or handkerchiefs in which they carried a few little personal keepsakes such as photographs of their sweethearts, mothers or wives. These were taken from them and thrown into the sea. The first officer, Matthews, was kept below deck for an hour and put through the third degree as to the routes of other ships.

"The Germans overplayed this little drama of frightfulness as they used a whole hour in preparing the lifeboat as a torture chamber for the men who were to be set adrift in it. A destroyer's smoke was seen on the horizon and the Germans made haste to escape. Matthews was thrust through the hatchway and the submarine dived with the 16 men still standing on her deck. They were left foundering in the water to swim to the empty lifeboat as best they could. "A British stewardess and her husband, a sailor, who were taken below

decks and questioned most politely at first were taken to the deck and the submarine submerged leaving them struggling in the water after they had refused to give up any information. In a very few instances there were signs of regret on the part of the submarine officers. One of these was related by Second Officer Kohlssat, a naturalized British subject, who was allowed to touch off the bombs which destroyed his own ship.

"In talking with the submarine captain, the latter expressed disgust with the work cut out for him. With tears in his eyes, he said that submarine captains had been put to death by slow torture for letting big passenger liners escape them."

Kohlssat was asked by Frost if he really believed that.

"I don't know about it," he answered. "I am ready to believe anything of Von Tripitz. But I do know that whether any man have been tortured to death or not the captain who was talking to me believed it and feared it."

THE KAISER'S PRAYER.

Mine Gott will you be mine partner?
You don't know who I am,
I am de German Kaiser,
De Emperor, vell I am.
You know I whipped dem Belgians,
Und with bullets filled Ruisia full,
Und I'll whip France und Italy
Und blow up Johnnie Bull.
For all dem other nations,
I don't give a damn,
If you will be mine partner
Und whip dat Uncle Sam.
You know I got dem submarines,
All Europe knows dat well,
But dot Edison got a patent now
Vet blows dem all to hell.
Now Gott, if you will do me dis,
Dan you I will always love.
Und I'll be Emperor-on earth,
Und you will be above.
But Gott, if you refuse me dis,
Tomorrow night at eleven
I'll call my Zeppelins out
Und declare war on heaven.
I wuld'n't ask dis favor, Gott,
But I can plainly see,
When Edison pushes dot button in
I got no more submarine.

Philip Family Doing Its Bit

The Portland Telegram of the 13th says: "Archie Philip, of North Bend, county commissioner of Coos county, now in Portland attending the grand lodge of the Eastern Star and Masons, is believed to have the most patriotic family in Oregon, including his dog, Rex, a big Scotch collie, which bristles and snaps at every unnaturalized German who ventures too close.

Improvements at Lower Mill

Several new improvements have been installed at the Sitka mill below town this month. Among others is a set of live rolls for the reaw and the remodeling of the log haul machinery. The buckets were again attached to the cable which will do away with the necessity of using a choker with each log which has caused much delay. The buckets were removed at the time the mill started owing to the sand drifting in so badly while the mill was idle that they could not be operated. This trouble has now been eradicated and the buckets will again be used.

Cables at Special Rates.

Special arrangements have been made by the Western Union under which week end letter telegrams of social character may be sent to soldiers, sailors and nurses of the American forces that may be sent to England or France. Such telegrams will be charged for on a word basis and without the minimum charges applicable in the case of ordinary week end telegrams. These telegrams will be handled by mail between England and France. The rate will be nine cents per word.

Contractor From Portland.

Roadmaster Murdock returned Sunday evening from Portland where he went to interview some of the larger construction companies in the two grading contracts which were not let by contract this month. As a result of his efforts E. V. Houser, of Grant Smith & Company, accompanied him on his return and is now looking over the contracts with the idea of his company taking them on a percentage basis.

Items From Arago.

Many from Arago and vicinity interested in the Sunday law are sitting. Mrs. Howard Young and little daughter from Rocky Mountain, are visiting Mrs. Young's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Albee, of Upper Fish-trap. They are both having the measles, having been exposed to them while travelling.

There was quite a large attendance at Arago to hear Rev. Thomas Barklow Sunday. Next Sunday, the 24th, he will preach at the County Infirmary.

J. Henry Schroeder has built an up-to-date garage near the Arago store and has a new Dodge car for his pleasure.

Mrs. Eliza Miller, of Prescott, Wisconsin, who has been spending the winter at Los Angeles and vicinity and touring the coast, came over from Eugene for a few days' visit with her cousin, H. A. Todd, whom she had not seen for over twenty years. Mrs. Miller, who has travelled a great deal, was astonished to learn that Coquille was the county seat of Coos county and without a single hitching rack.

Clarence Schroeder is the happy owner of a new Maxwell car. C. M. Gensoll and B. S. Wallen each have new cars.

Items From the Bay.

(From the Coos Bay News.)
Any young fellow seen smoking cigarettes who hasn't a war registration certificate to prove that he is over 21 is liable to punishment. Marshal Carter says he will enforce the law.

The city council of Empire has ordered Marshal Kelly to enforce the liquor law. It is said that people from Marshfield and North Bend have been holding booze parties there lately.

The run of salmon has been light for the past two weeks on the Umpqua and Rogue rivers. On the Umpqua, however, there is a good run of sturgeon, some of the boats catching as high as 1,000 pounds of a night.

At the State Convention of Eagles at Portland last week, F. R. Kirk, of Marshfield, was selected president for the ensuing year, and Marshfield was selected as the place for holding the 1918 convention.

Wm. Parker, a fisherman, was arrested by Officer Brockmuller early Sunday morning, charged with being intoxicated. On being searched at the station money to the amount of \$455.85 was found in his pockets. He put up \$10 for his appearance before Recorder Butler.

Buy your season tickets now for the Chautauque. July 15 to 22. Price \$2.50 for adults.

Butter Wrappers and Trespass signs at the Sentinel office.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed in the County Court for Coos County, Oregon, her final account in the matter of the Administration of the estate of Walter Culin, deceased, and that the County Court has set Saturday, the 14th day of July, 1917, as the day and the county court room in the county court house in Coquille, Coos County, Oregon, as the place for hearing objections to said final account and the settlement of said estate.

SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL PROPERTY ON FORECLOSURE.

Notice is hereby given, That under and by virtue of an Execution and Order of Sale issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Coos on the 1st day of June, 1917, in a certain cause in said Court pending wherein the State Land Board of the State of Oregon, is plaintiff, and Andrew J. Hamlin, Elba H. Hamlin, Jeff D. Sharp, Leona Sharp, Yoncalla State Bank, and S. G. Sargeant, as Superintendent of State Banks for the State of Oregon, Leon C. Paul, Maud M. Paul and Frances A. Arms, are defendants, being case No. 4738 of said Court and commanding me to sell the hereinafter described real property to satisfy the sum of \$610.85 with interest at 6% from May 15, 1915, and attorney fee of \$75.00 and costs and disbursements \$40.00, together with accruing costs.

I will on Saturday, the 14th day of July, 1917, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day at the front door of the County Court House in the City of Coquille, Coos County, Oregon, offer for sale and sell at public auction all the right, title and interest of the said Defendants in and to the following described real property, to-wit: The South Half of the North East Quarter and the South seven chains of the North East Quarter of the North East Quarter of Section Twenty-four, of Township Thirty-South of Range Fifteen West, of Willamette Meridian, in Coos County, State of Oregon, containing Ninety-

four acres of land, more or less; also the South West Quarter of the South West Quarter of Section Eighteen, and the West Half of the North West Quarter, and the South East Quarter of the North West Quarter of Section Nineteen, of Township Thirty-South, of Range Fourteen West, of Willamette Meridian, in said County and State, containing One Hundred Sixty-three and 12-100 acres (163.12) more or less, together with the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining, all in Coos County, Oregon.

Said sale being made subject to redemption in the manner provided by law.
Dated June 11, 1917.
2215 W. W. GAGE,
Sheriff of Coos County, Oregon.

SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Coos.
H. L. Groff, Plaintiff,
vs.
Birdie Irene Groff, Defendant.

To Birdie Irene Groff, the above named defendant:
In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit within six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons, to-wit: within six weeks from the 8th day of June, 1917, and if you fail so to appear and answer on or before the 20th day of July, 1917, the same being the date of the last publication of this summons, for want thereof the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in his said complaint a succinct statement of which is as follows: That the bonds of matrimony between the plaintiff and the defendant be dissolved and held for naught and for such other and further relief as to the court may seem meet and equitable.

Service of this summons is made upon you by publication thereof in the Coquille Valley Sentinel, a weekly newspaper published in Coos County, Oregon, for a period of six weeks beginning with the 8th day of June, 1917, by order of the Honorable James Watson, County Judge of Coos County, Oregon, dated the 6th day of June, 1917.

J. J. Stanley,
Attorney for Plaintiff.
Address, Coquille, Oregon, 2117

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that Edwin Ellingren has completed his contract for the construction of a Pile Bridge across Hoffman Slough on the South Fork Road, and the County Road Master has filed his certificate of completion approving the work done on such contract and any person, firm or corporation having objections to file to the acceptance of said work may do so within two weeks from the date of the first publication of this notice, to-wit: from the first day of June 1917, in the office of the County Clerk.

Dated at Coquille, Coos County, Oregon, this 28th day of May, A. D. 1917.
L. W. Oddy,
County Clerk.

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