

# GERMANS SINK U. S. SHIP; NO WARNING

Steamer Algonquin Sent to Bottom By Submarine.

## VESSEL'S SEAMEN ARE LANDED

One of the First American Steamers to Sail After Submarine War Was Declared Is Victim of Diver.

London—The American steamship Algonquin has been sunk without warning by a German submarine. The crew was saved.

J. G. Stephens, American consul at Plymouth, first reported that the Algonquin had been torpedoed, but in a later report he said the captain of the Algonquin had stated that his ship was sunk by shell fire without warning.

The Algonquin was sunk at 6 o'clock on the morning of March 12. The submarine refused assistance, according to the report of the consul at Plymouth. Twenty-seven men have been landed.

According to later advices from Plymouth, the German submarine opened fire upon the Algonquin from a distance of 4000 yards, firing about 20 shells. These were not sufficient to sink the steamer, so she was boarded by men from the submarine, who placed bombs, and the Algonquin was then blown up. The crew was given plenty of time to leave the vessel.

New York—The Algonquin, a freighter, 1086 tons gross, was one of the first American vessels to sail from the United States after Germany announced her submarine campaign of unrestricted warfare.

There were 10 Americans, including the captain, on the Algonquin, the owners announced.

She carried about 2000 tons of cargo and commanded by Captain A. Nordberg, a naturalized American of Norwegian birth.

### War With United States Depends on Acts of U-Boats

London—In an interview granted to the Copenhagen correspondent of the Berlin Tageblatt, says an Exchange Telegraph dispatch, Count von Bernstorff, interrogated as to whether he thought there would be war between Germany and the United States, replied:

"That depends on our U-boat warfare. If we sink an American ship we shall get war. If not, I suppose we can avoid it."

"And if," asked the correspondent, "Germany sinks British ships with American citizens aboard?"

To this von Bernstorff replied: "That is not the same."

### Raider is in Indian Ocean.

Vancouver, B. C.—Cable advices from Japan received here by the Canadian News, a Japanese newspaper, said that a Japanese steamship of about 3115 tons had been sunk in the Indian Ocean by a German commerce raider. No details were given.

Tokio—It is officially announced that a converted German cruiser has been sighted in the Indian ocean and is being chased by Japanese and British warships. The German has sunk a Japanese freighter.

### Colombian Treaty Modified.

Washington, D. C.—Modifications in the Colombian treaty were agreed upon by the senate foreign relations committee in an effort to meet Republican objections, and Chairman Stone will lay the new draft before the senate with a view to pressing for ratification before the end of the present extra session. Republican leaders, still hostile in spite of the changes, said there would be no filibuster to prevent action, but more than 30 senators were pledged to vote against the treaty.

### England Asks for More Credit.

London—It is understood that the supplementary vote of credit which will be moved Thursday will be for £50,000,000 (\$250,000,000). The announcement created a mild sensation in the house of commons, in view of the granting of the huge sum of £550,000,000 as recently as February 12. An explanation unofficially offered is that the new government departments have been spending more largely than was anticipated in connection with the war.

### New Malady Besets City.

Galesville, Wis.—Four persons have died here and scores are ill, some critically, from a disease which has baffled physicians. The city officials have appealed to physicians in other cities for assistance. Little difficulty is experienced in detecting the symptoms, swollen glands and high temperature, but the proper treatment has not been developed.

### Mine Explosion Kills 8.

Canonsburg, Pa.—Eight miners are known to have been killed their bodies having been recovered, and five others are missing as a result of two explosions which early Thursday wrecked the interior of Henderson mine No. 1, of the Henderson Coal company three miles north of here.

## Government Crop Report for Washington and Oregon

A summary of the March crop report for the state of Washington as compiled by the bureau of crop estimates, U. S. department of Agriculture, is as follows:

Wheat on farms—Estimated stock on farms March 1, this year, 4,520,000 bushels, compared with 7,713,000 a year ago. Price on March 1 to producers, \$1.44 per bushel.

Corn on farms—Estimated stock on farms March 1, this year 183,000 bushels, compared with 158,000 year ago. Price March 1 to producers, 102 cents a bushel, compared with 90 cents a year ago.

Corn of merchantable quality—The percentage of the 1916 crop which was merchantable of quality is estimated at 75 per cent, compared with 82 per cent of the 1915 crop.

Oats on farms—Estimated stocks on farms March 1, this year 3,430,000 bushels, compared with 3,850,000 a year ago. Price March 1 to producers, 53 cents per bushel, compared with 42 cents a year ago.

Barley on farms—Estimated stocks on farms March 1 this year 1,020,000 bushels, compared with 1,453,000 a year ago. Price March 1 to producers, 87 cents per bushel, compared with 64 cents a year ago.

A summary of the March crop report for the state of Oregon, as compiled by the bureau of crop estimates, U. S. department of Agriculture, is as follows:

Wheat on farms—Estimated stock on farms March 1 this year, 2,740,000 bushels, compared with 3,004,000 bushels a year ago. Price on March 1 to producers, \$1.50 per bushel, compared with \$0.93 a year ago.

Corn on farms—Estimated stock on farms March 1 this year, 134,000 bushels, compared with 116,000 bushels a year ago. Price March 1 to producers, 95 cents per bushel, compared with 92 cents a year ago.

Corn of merchantable quality—The percentage of the 1916 crop which was merchantable quality is estimated at 69 per cent, compared with 80 per cent of the 1915 crop.

Oats on farms—Estimated stocks on farms March 1 this year, 4,670,000 bushels, compared with 4,336,000 bushels a year ago. Price March 1 to producers, 48 cents per bushel, compared with 50 cents per bushel a year ago.

Barley on farms—Estimated stocks on farms March 1 this year, 1,073,000 bushels, compared with 936,000 bushels a year ago. Price March 1 to producers, 88 cents per bushel, compared with 68 cents per bushel a year ago.

### Business Men to Pay License.

La Crosse, Wash.—At a recent meeting of the council an ordinance providing for a general method of passing ordinances and one providing for the collection of a poll tax were passed. An ordinance was ordered drawn providing for a dog tax and one prohibiting stock to run at large; this ordinance will cover all live stock, including poultry, and will prohibit the keeping of hogs within the town limits. It was also decided, in addition to the usual tax on peddlers and traveling shows, to impose a license tax on every business firm in town.

### Damages Are Awarded.

Baker, Or.—A jury in the Circuit court here returned a verdict awarding \$5450 to Alonzo Robinson and the Weygant estate for the injury of the former and the death of Henry Weygant last summer at the O. W. R. & N. Co.'s crossing at Weatherby. Although the cases were tried jointly, two separate verdicts were given. Fifteen hundred dollars was Mr. Robinson's portion, \$3000 was allowed for the death of Mr. Weygant and \$950 for the destruction of the automobile in which they were riding.

### Embargo is Put on Rice.

Galveston.—An embargo on rice shipments through the port of Galveston, destined to New York and points beyond, was announced by the Malloy steamship line. A similar embargo by the Morgan line already is in force. The embargo was placed, it is said, to give opportunity to clear stocks already booked for passage.

## NORTHWEST MARKET REPORT

Portland—Wheat—Bluestem, \$1.64; fortyfold, \$1.61; club, \$1.60; red Russian, \$1.56.

Oats—No. 1 white feed, \$36.75.

Barley—No. 1 feed, \$38.00.

Butter—Cubes, extras, 35@35½c.

Jobbing prices: Prints, extras, 38c; cartons, 1c extras; butterfat, No. 1, 39c; No. 2, 37c, Portland.

Eggs—Oregon ranch, current receipts, 25@25½c per dozen.; Oregon ranch, selects, 27c.

Poultry—Hens, 19@20c per pound; springs, 19@20c; turkeys, live, 22@24c; ducks, 22@23c; geese, 12@13c.

Veal—Fancy, 13½@14c per pound.

Pork—Fancy, 17@17½c per pound.

Potatoes—Oregon buying prices, \$2.50@3 per hundred; new Floridas, 10c.

Onions—Oregon, jobbing prices: No. 1, \$9; No. 2, \$6 per sack.

Cattle—Steers, prime, \$9.25@9.65; good, \$8.90@9.25; medium, \$8.25@8.75; cows, choice, \$7.75@8.00; medium to good, \$7.00@7.50; ordinary to fair, \$6.50@7.00; heifers, \$6.50@9.00; bulls, \$5.00@8.00; calves, \$8.00@10.00.

Hogs—Light and heavy packing, \$14.00@14.35; rough heavies, \$13.00@13.50; pigs and skips, \$12.75@13.00; stock hogs, \$11.50@12.75.

Sheep—Wethers 118.50@12.00; ewes, \$8.50@10.00; lambs, \$10.75@13.10.

## NEWS ITEMS Of General Interest About Oregon

### Cattle and Sheep Being Starved by Deep Snow

Baker—Stock and sheepmen in this section face a loss that will run close to \$1,000,000 unless there is an immediate modification in the weather and an unexpected feed supply develops, stockmen declare. Already the cattle and sheep losses, it is said on good authority, have totaled several hundred thousand dollars, with little hope in sight for an abatement of the losses.

Daily there are appeals for feed from various sections. Those stockmen who have enough to meet the present demand do not know where they will get more when their present supply gives out. Opportunity for sending stock out to graze has been cut off by the continued snow and cold weather. The grazing lands now are covered with a thick coating of snow, and the cold is such that no hope is held for a thaw in time to put the cattle and sheep out before all feed is gone.

Sheep owners are the heaviest sufferers. The lambing season is on and the lambs are becoming stunted, because their mothers are poorly fed. In certain sections they are dying for want of nutrition.

### Sawmill is to Operate.

Corvallis—The Rosecrans sawmill, seven miles west of Corvallis and which has been closed for several months, will begin work this week, running full time. Recently the company built a flume to the Southern Pacific's Newport line at a point about two miles west of Corvallis and lumber will be flumed to this point for shipment. Until the flume was built the mill could not operate in winter on account of the roads. The logging operations will be conducted by Studbaker & Monahan, of Castle Rock, Wash. The mill has lumber contracts that will keep it busy for a year. It employs about 25 men.

### Big Log Contract Made.

North Bend—The management of the Bay Park sawmill has contracted for a log supply of over 15,000,000 feet to be cut by Jack Bester on the Siuslaw river and forwarded to this city by rail. The cut will be strictly fir, although there is about the same amount of red cedar on the tracts. The cedar will be sold to the various shingle mills on the Siuslaw river, one of which, the Buck mill, is about ready to operate with six machines. The Bay Park mill recently contracted with new sales agents in San Francisco and the arrangement calls for a continuous supply of mill run lumber and special orders.

### Senate Journal is Done.

Salem—John Cochran, chief clerk, and his force of senate desk clerks, who have been employed revising the senate journal, completed their labors Tuesday. Chief Clerk Drager and his force in the house will finish their work Monday. The law allows 20 days after the completion of the session to do their work and the 20 days are up. One result of the work which, as far as is known, has never been accomplished before, will be completed calendars for both houses showing a history of the progress of every bill.

### Views on Road Code Vary.

Salem—The new county road code apparently makes the appointment of roadmasters discretionary with the county courts. Some lawyers who have examined other highway legislation of the last session, however, consider it possible that such companion legislation makes it mandatory. These laws do not become effective until May 21 and it is probable that before that time the question will be put up to the attorney general's office for an opinion.

### Man in Poor Farm Heir.

Hillsboro—Christin Good, for the past year an inmate of the Washington county farm, is the sole heir of the estate of his brother, Joseph Good, who recently died in Livingston county, Ill. The estate includes an 80-acre farm and \$7000 in cash and at the expiration of the time which contests may be filed Good will return to Illinois and claim it. Good has been a laborer about here for many years.

### 6000 Acres Go to Government.

Salem—The State land board has authorized the turning over to the Federal government of approximately 6000 acres of base lands in lieu of indemnity lands, it being discovered that mistakes have been made in past transactions which leave the state in debt to the government to that extent.

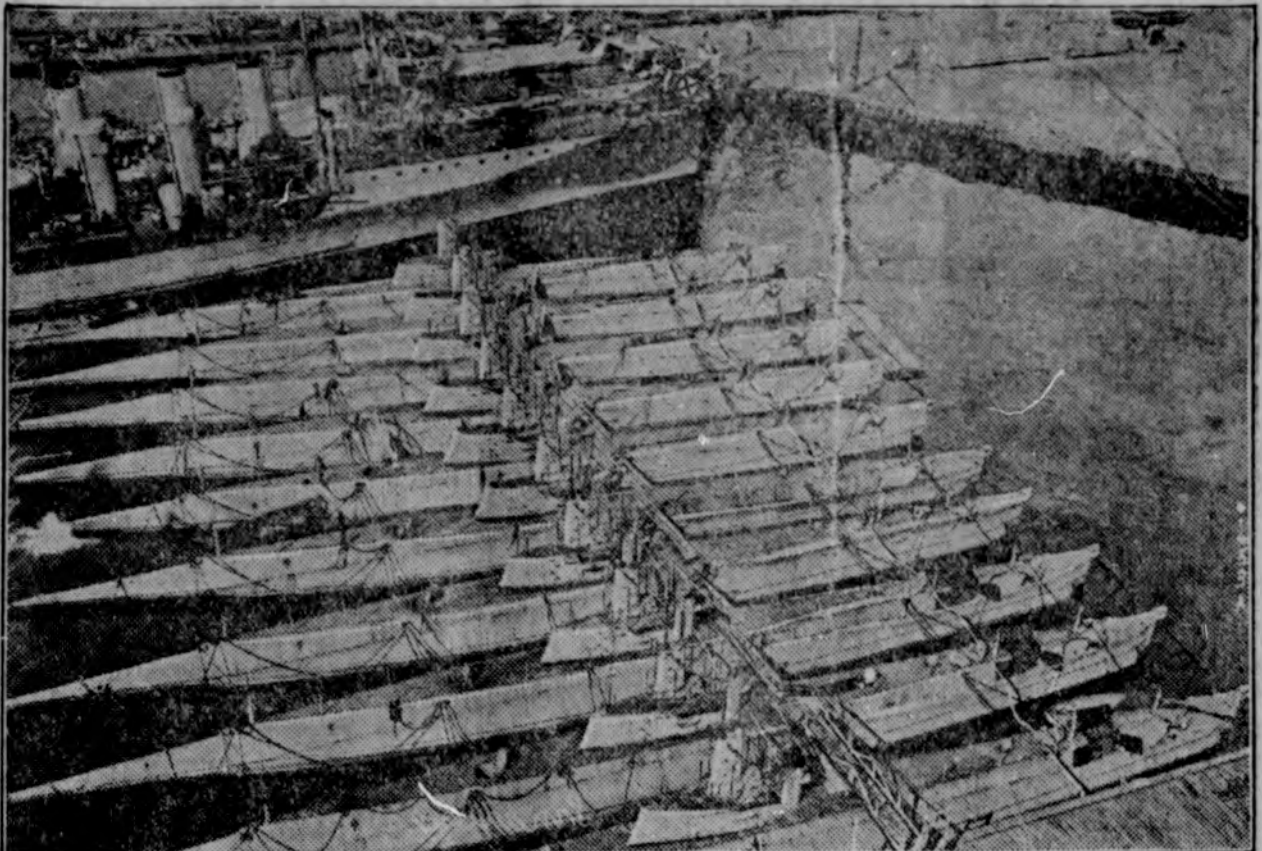
### Sandy Mills Are Operating.

Sandy—Ed Burns has completed work and begun operations in his new mill near town, employing about 25 men. Three more mills will open up near Brightwood, on the Mount Hood road, soon, Nelson & Mickelsen, Jonsrud & Meinig and Jarl & Nelson. They will employ from 125 to 150 men.

### McMinnville Makes Application.

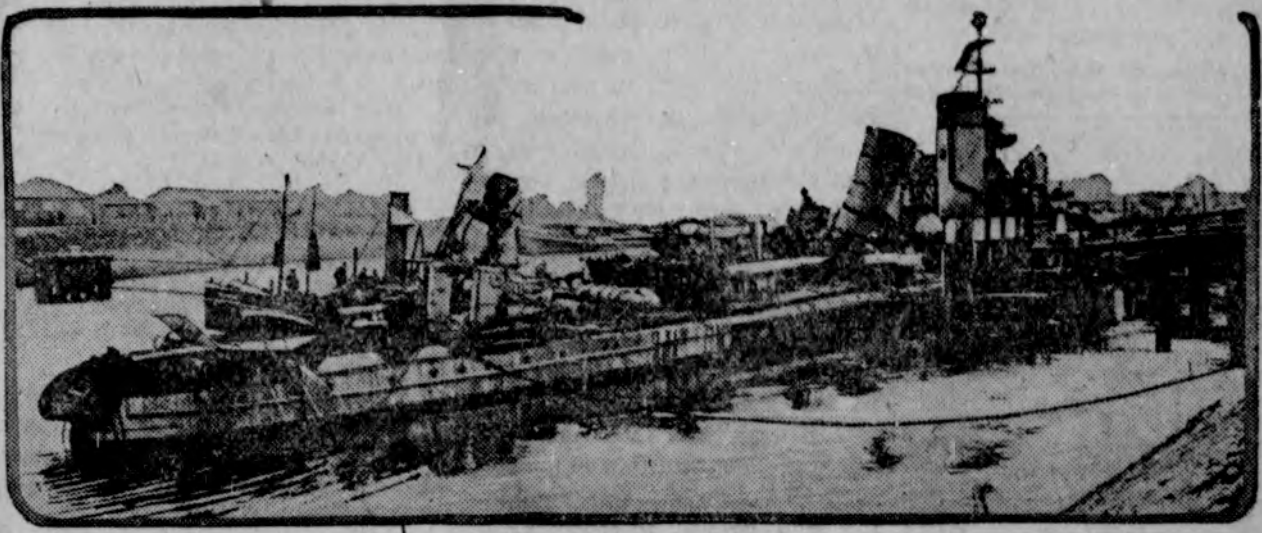
McMinnville—Application has been made for a charter for the McMinnville National Farm Loan association, having 11 charter members with applications for loans totaling \$36,000. This is the second National Farm Loan association to be organized in Yamhill county.

## CHILE ACQUIRES TEN NEW SUBMARINES



A Chilean naval commission headed by Rear Admiral Luiz Carreno has arrived in America to take possession of these ten submarines which were built at Quincy, Mass., for Great Britain. The British government turned them over to Chile as part compensation for two superdreadnaughts being built in England.

## GERMAN DESTROYER BATTERED IN SEA FIGHT



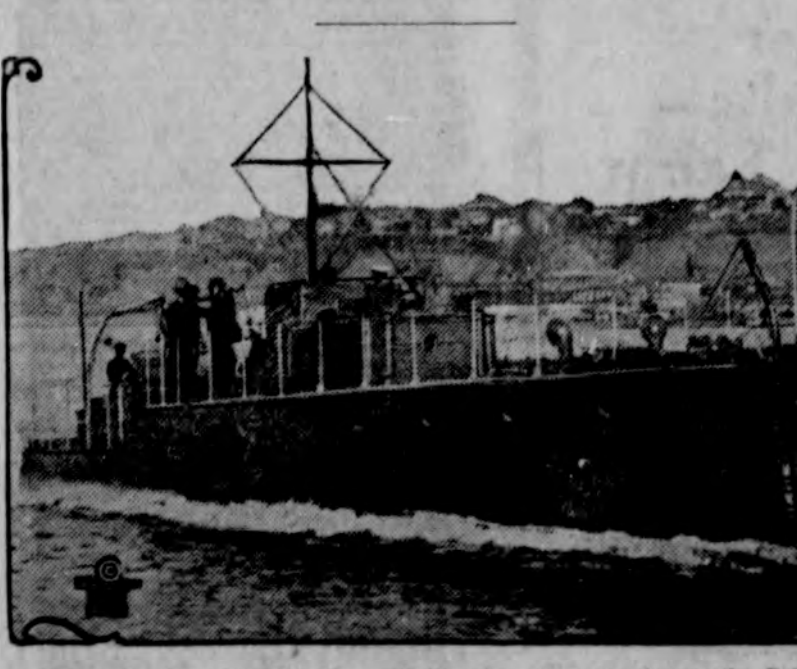
The German destroyer V-60 at anchor in the harbor of Ymuiden, Holland, where it took refuge after the recent battle between German and British light sea forces. It was very badly damaged by British shell fire and the deck was covered with debris.

## RESTING AFTER HEAVY ARTILLERY WORK



A snapshot from the English front, showing "Tommie" enjoying a brief breathing spell after heavy artillery firing.

## "SEA WASP" OF THE BRITISH NAVY



When the German submarine activities became a menace to the British Isles, the last shipments from this country were being made of 550 "sea wasps" designed and completed in 550 days by the Submarine Boat corporation, and that they have proved to be the backbone of the English admiralty's antisubmarine defense is attested by the fact that nearly 300 enemy submarines have been destroyed or captured. These remarkable "submarine chasers" are 80 feet long, 12 feet beam and draw but 4½ feet of water, thereby making torpedo attack ineffective. With 500 horse power in their motors, they attain a speed of 22 miles an hour and can turn in their own length.

## LIVING STATUE IN FRANCE



In the wonderful park of Tilloley castle, in France, there are many pedestals minus their statues, the carvings having been shot to pieces by enemy shell fire. A merry "pollu" mounted a base and took the place of the missing sculpture, posing so statuette like that companions some distance away did not discover the deception until the "statue" relaxed his forced pose and jumped to the ground.

**It's a Gift.**  
"I never knew such a persistent borrower as that man Jinks. I don't believe he has ever earned a dollar in his whole life."  
"He doesn't need to. He has such a persuasive tongue that nobody can refuse him. They even say that once, on a bet, he borrowed a nickel from a Scotchman."  
**With These Few Remarks.**  
"Mrs. Peale—My husband always says I look ten years younger in this dress. Friend—He's quite right. That fashion was new ten years ago."