

AID REFUSED SINKING VICTIMS BY SUBMARINE

Steamer Agulla Sunk Off Bishop Rock, Crew Saved—Steamer Falaba Sent to Bottom Off Milford Haven—Loss of Life Probably Heavy—Lifeboats Swamped.

LONDON, March 29.—The Elder Dempster company, owner of the Elder line of steamers, of which the Falaba was one, announced tonight that apparently about 125 persons had lost their lives by the sinking of the vessel.

FISHGUARD, Wales, March 29.—Thirteen members of the crew of the Agulla lost their lives.

LONDON, March 29.—The British steamer Agulla was sunk by a German submarine this morning off Bishop Rock. Her crew of twenty-three was saved.

The Agulla was of 1294 tons net and 275 feet long. She was owned in Liverpool. Bishop Rock is on the Scilly Isles, at the entrance to the English channel. The Agulla is believed to be one of the vessels referred to in dispatches from London last night as having sent distress signals that she was pursued by submarines.

The report of yesterday that the British steamer Falaba had been sunk by a German submarine was confirmed today. The Falaba was sent to the bottom yesterday off Milford Haven, an inlet on the coast of South Wales. The loss of life probably was heavy.

The Falaba was 380 feet long, net tonnage 2011. She belonged to the Elder line, was owned in Liverpool and was engaged in the African trade.

Three of the Falaba's lifeboats were swamped. Many persons aboard the vessel were thrown into the sea, where they struggled while the submarine circled about, offering, according to stories told by those rescued, no assistance. A fishing boat appeared on the scene and saved 140 of the passengers and crew.

Tried Vainly to Escape The Falaba left Liverpool on Saturday for the west coast of Africa with 140 passengers and with a crew of 120 men. Her officers state that when the German submarine appeared it whistled three as a signal for the steamer to prepare her lifeboats, but that before this could be done a torpedo struck the ship near the engine room.

The survivors relate that the liner was seventy miles to the southwest of Milford Haven when the submarine appeared. She called to the captain of the Falaba to heave to, but he ignored the order and promptly started at full speed ahead. The liner was a fast craft, and for half an hour the chase was kept up before the submarine overhauled her and compelled her to stop.

Five Minutes to Leave The passengers and crew were given five minutes to leave, and although this time was very brief, most of the boats were launched before the submarine fired her torpedo. The projectile struck the Falaba in the engine room and a terrific explosion followed. The ship settled down and sank very quickly. Some of the lifeboats were smashed and scores of

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KILLED HER HUSBAND AND BURNED BODY

MARLIN, Texas, March 29.—Mrs. Kate Wrigonoski, the police say, confessed to the authorities that she killed her husband, burned his body and buried the bones in post holes. Charred bones were found last night by the police in the post holes.

RUSSIAN FLEET SHELLING FORTS ON BOSPHORUS

Reinforced by Modern Fighting Units, Thought to Be Eight New Dreadnaughts, Czar Bombarbs Back Door of Constantinople as Allies Hammer at Front Door.

LONDON, March 29.—Russia is again today knocking at the back door of Constantinople by bombarding the Turkish forts on the Bosphorus, but with what success is not yet definitely known. As to the front door of the Turkish capital, the Dardanelles, the only news is the monotonous reiteration of the report that the mine sweepers of the allies are continuing their work and that the weather conditions still prevent a resumption of the bombardment by the fleet.

Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd telegraphs that the Russian fleet in the Baltic has been reinforced by the addition of modern fighting units.

Four Dreadnaughts Added This addition to the fleet is believed in London to consist of four dreadnaughts laid down in Russian yards in 1909, which were nearing completion at the beginning of the war. It may also include another division of four capital ships laid down in 1912. British naval experts said they would not be surprised to learn that, with the assistance of the allies in material and men, Russia had been able to complete these eight dreadnaughts. The first four mount twelve 12-inch guns each. The second division is armed with nine 14-inchers each.

Some of the Turkish forts at the Dardanelles were bombarded yesterday by indirect fire from the Gulf of Saros, by the warships of the allied fleet, but did not attempt to enter the straits. Two French battleships damaged in previous fighting proved to have suffered so severely that according to a Paris dispatch they are to return to France and be put in dry dock.

Early Resumption Expected Constantinople declines to accept the weather as an excuse for the lull in the attack and claims that since March 18 weather conditions have been so good that Turkish aeroplanes have been flying over the warships of the enemy in and about the Dardanelles. Unofficial reports from neutral points in the vicinity of the zone of the operations indicate an early resumption of activity, they set forth that a long distance shelling of the inner defenses has been commenced by the battleships.

Reviewing Russian naval activity in the Baltic, Petrograd claims that the operations on this sea of Russian warships have resulted in damage to several German units and that the Germans have been compelled materially to restrict their movements.

Await Balkan Action From a diplomatic standpoint, observers in London are speculating hopefully on the re-organization of the Balkan league; nevertheless it is felt that the visit to Bulgaria of Field Marshal Von Der Goltz, until recently at Constantinople, may check the reconciliation of this state with her neighbors.

NO HOPE FOR LOST SUBMARINE

HONOLULU, T. H., March 29.—Vessels searching for the missing United States submarine F-4 again have recommenced sweeping the ocean floor with cables. So far no success has been reported.

Naval officials reiterate their confidence in their theory that the F-4 is submerged close to the harbor entrance. They base their opinion largely on the reports of fuel oil seen on the surface of the sea, and also on the recovery of a piece of brassware brought up by the line from the tug Navajo.

ARTILLERY SENT FOR PROTECTION OF BROWNSVILLE

United States Forces Ready for Trouble If Mexicans Shoot Across Boundary—Villa Forces Defeated With Loss of Several Hundred in Preliminary Battle.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—Three batteries of field artillery late today were ordered by Secretary Garrison to proceed from Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Tex., to Brownsville, Tex., and a regiment of infantry in camp at Texas City, Tex., was ordered to be in readiness to proceed at a moment's notice to the border town. The troops' movement was ordered on recommendation of Major General Funston, in charge of the border troops.

A dispatch to the state department says when the Villa forces retired at Matamoros yesterday at 3 p. m. they left 200 dead and 179 wounded and 600 horses on the field after a fight that lasted four hours and a half. The Carranza losses were given as eight killed and thirty-six wounded.

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., March 29.—There was no fighting at Matamoros today up to this afternoon. Reports from both sides indicated that the battle between Villa besiegers and the Carranza garrison would not be renewed before tomorrow.

Colonel Jose Flores of the Matamoros garrison announced today that Carranza reinforcements disembarked at the mouth of the Rio Grande from the transport Oaxaca yesterday and that they were expected to reach Matamoros today. Other Carranza reinforcements of 2500 men and fifteen pieces of artillery under General Cesar Lopez de Lara, were reported coming toward Matamoros from the south. The Villa forces come from the west.

ROBBING AUTOS OF LIGHTS AND FIXTURES

Electrical and auto thieves opened a campaign in this city Saturday night, centering their attacks on machines left standing near the Page theater. To combat this, Dr. F. C. Page has offered a reward of \$5 for the arrest and conviction of the party or parties guilty of the thefts. Saturday night the tail light was stolen from the Maxwell car in the lobby of the Page theater, a clock was stolen from Dr. J. J. Emmons' car and storage batteries taken from others. The thieves are also after copper wire and fittings. The police believe the operations are being carried on by an organized gang.

DUTCH STEAMER DESTROYED BY MINE

LONDON, March 29, 6:40 p. m.—A statement from the British admiralty tonight says that the Dutch steamer Amstel has been blown up by a mine.

WATCHING RUSSIANS FROM TREE-TOP HUT



German lookouts in German military observation stand in the valley of the river Memel along Russian-German battle front.

RUSSIANS INFLECT SEVERE LOSSES ON GERMAN WARSHIPS

PETROGRAD, in London, March 29.—Severe losses have been inflicted upon the German naval units in the Baltic sea by the Russians, according to a semi-official review of the operations made public last night. German submarines are said to have suffered considerably, while a number of transports loaded with supplies have been destroyed. The statement follows:

"Early in September the activity of our fleet in the southern Baltic compelled the enemy to modify his plan and concentrate his chief efforts upon operations by submarines. Nineteen of these attacks were made in two months, but only one was successful. Enemy submarines suffered considerably.

"Our fleet has developed intense activity along the enemy's coast. Details of the operations cannot be published yet, but the enemy suffered severely in fighting units and has been seriously impeded in the operations along his own coasts by the loss of a number of transports with munitions."

MASS MEETING OF FRUIT GROWERS UPON WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

Mr. Paulhamus telegraphs he will be here Wednesday. Don't fail to attend the meeting to be held at the Natatorium Wednesday, March 31, at 2 p. m., at which he will explain the whole movement resulting in the organization of the Fruit Growers' Council of the Northwest.

OBREGON IN AGAIN ZAPATA OUT AGAIN AT MEXICO CITY

WASHINGTON, March 29.—Dispatches received in diplomatic quarters here today from diplomats in Mexico City said it was understood there that General Obregon with Carranza forces was returning to the capital and that Zapata forces were about to evacuate.

Nothing of that kind was mentioned, however, in today's official advices to the state department. The latest official advices were that General Garza, at the head of the government in Mexico City, had given assurances that he was making arrangements to bring food into the city and was maintaining good order.

Later the British ambassador, Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, visited Secretary Bryan to inquire what arrangements, if any, had been made for the protection of foreigners if Zapata forces again evacuated the Mexican capital and the Carranza forces entered.

WILSON IS GUEST OF ARGENTINE

ANNAPOLIS, Md., March 29.—President Wilson, Secretary Daniels and a party of aides today were the guests of the Argentine ambassador, Romulo S. Naon, at a luncheon on board the new Argentine battleship Moreno.

At the luncheon Ambassador Naon proposed a toast to the president in the following words:

"It is perhaps the first time that a president of the United States of America sets foot on a piece of foreign soil which, like this battleship, springs from the industrial capacity and ability of this great country. Hence I could not find any more suitable and gratifying occasion than the present one to drink to your personal happiness, and voicing what is a feeling of my people and a purpose of my government, to say that may the

AUSTRIA OFFERS TREAT TO ITALY FOR NEUTRALITY

Definite Offer Reported to Have Been Made—Answer Deferred—Party Leaders Ask Austrian Premier to Persuade Emperor to Conclude Separate Peace.

PARIS, March 29.—Austria has made a definite offer to cede to Italy a part of the province of Trent at the close of the war, the Petit Parisien Rome correspondent says he has been informed. He adds that the proposal was made on Thursday and that the Italian government deferred its reply.

GENEVA, March 29.—Count Stephan Tizsa, the premier of Hungary, has returned to Budapest from Vienna, where he conferred with cabinet ministers regarding the future course of the dual monarchy. According to dispatches received by Swiss newspapers the leaders of different political parties are trying to induce Count Tizsa to make an effort to persuade Emperor Francis Joseph that Austria should conclude a separate peace. The premier, however, is said to have refused to make an attempt.

Advices received here from Austria are to the effect that well informed public men in that country profess to believe that the intervention of Italy on the side of the allies is imminent.

Chancellor von Bethmann-Holweg, of Germany, the Swiss papers declare, remains inflexible in his determination that Austria shall sacrifice some of her territory to preserve the neutrality of Italy. The Austrian emperor is reported to be equally determined not to cede to Italy any material portion of the monarchy.

Reports from Bucharest regarding the attitude of Rumania, it is said, have increased the alarm in Austria-Hungarian political circles.

SHERIDAN CASE GOES TO JURORS

PORTLAND, Or., March 29.—Lawyers for the defense in the case of Thomas R. Sheridan, former president of the First National bank of Roseburg, began their closing arguments in the United States district court here today. The case was expected to go to the jury before night.

During the last week Sheridan, who is charged with violating the national bank act by misuse of deposits, has heard numerous witnesses testify that he had appropriated their deposits without warrant.

"It would not put a dollar in anybody's pocket," declared J. W. Bennett, for the defense, "unless you give the defendant his liberty and let him do as he says he will—make good every cent he owes." United States District Attorney C. L. Reames centered his attack upon Sheridan's lack of authorization to take the money and upon his alleged intent to defraud.

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ties which have always bound our two countries together daily grow stronger until they constitute the expression of the most perfect international friendship.

The president responded briefly, dwelling on the good relations existing between the United States and the Argentine republic, and expressing the hope that they might grow stronger in the future.

President Wilson predicted that "we are rapidly approaching a day when the Americas will draw together before, and that it will be a union of political ties, but of understanding and mutual helpfulness."

BRIEF TO BREAK MONOPOLY FILED HARVESTER CASE

Government Contends Controversy is Fundamental—Question is, Shall Competitive System Continue?—Shall Competition or Combination Be Law of Trade in United States?

WASHINGTON, March 29.—The government's brief in the anti-trust suit to dissolve the International Harvester company was filed today in the supreme court. It is largely directed toward combating the arguments advanced in the company's brief filed in support of its appeal after the district court of Minnesota had declared it a combination in restraint of trade and ordered its dissolution.

"If defendant's argument prevails," says the government brief, "and if the corporate combinations, however comprehensive, do not come within the purview of the act and only so far as they demonstrably 'abuse' their power—the inevitable result will be the renewal of that great rush toward concentration which preceded with ever accelerating rapidity until checked by the decision of this court in the Northern securities case.

Competition or Monopoly "If makers of harvesting machinery may unite as here, why not makers of every other species of machinery do likewise?"

"The anti-trust act—the work of perhaps the ablest judiciary committee that ever sat in either branch of congress, is the deliberate effort of conservative, clear thinking men to place some reasonable check upon that liberty of combination, which, if permitted to be 'logical extreme' would in the end imperil liberty itself.

The controversy in this case, therefore, is fundamental. The question is shall the competitive system continue—shall competition, not combination, be the law of trade."

Instant Inmaterial The brief says that the defendants claim that while the only time competitors controlled from 80 to 85 per cent of the trade in the United States in harvesting machines were combined in substantially the manner in which the government contends, the object was not restraint of trade, but to promote foreign trade and to establish domestic trade on a more economical basis. Upon these statements, the government says, and upon its good conduct, the "whole defense rests."

The last contention, that the case must fail because the combination has not increased prices or limited production, or degraded the quality of product, decreased production or the price of raw materials, or oppressed competitors, the government declares, is based upon a construction of the anti-trust act which "loses sight of its broader purpose and which would be utterly impracticable in execution.

Retarded Foreign Trade "It has already been shown, however," continued the brief, that "where, as here, the necessary effect of the combination is unduly to restrict competitive conditions the purpose or intention of the parties is immaterial. Therefore, were the good intentions claimed in this case conceded, it would make no difference."

Statistics are given to demonstrate that the harvester company "has retarded, rather than accelerated the foreign trade in harvesting machines."

The government declares that three companies named by the defendant as formidable competitors which had entered the field since its organization, "are practically negligible as factors in the harvesting machine business in the United States."

THAW AGAIN BEFORE COURT UPON WRIT

NEW YORK, March 29.—Harry K. Thaw was taken before Supreme Court Justice Bijur today for the hearing on the second writ of habeas corpus sought by his attorneys. Proceedings were brief, as counsel for both sides concurred in a request to have the hearing postponed to April 5th.